# THE BUSINESS SITUATION THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

Winnipeg, July 18. ble weather during the past at has done much to keen business and we note a continuation of activity which has marked the sition for some time past. Notwithbelieved that the wheat crop suffered for want of rain, and that age yield per acre will be no let up in the demand for goods ale houses. Not even the who mer duliness is to be noticed circles, excepting in a few which have nothing seasonable The sorting trade in dry keeping up remarkably well. ng goods are in great demand, algood many people are obliged their customary summer owing to pressure of work. and for hardware, paints and ctural materials is very large. The ding movement continues to exd and all contractors and workmen to be well employed. The exhibinext week is expected to bring a large number of people into the stir in the wholesale section. Most the travellers are already in for purpose of helping to entertain Bank clearings at Winnipeg inue to expand as compared with years, and there is such a good and for money that interest rates y mercantile paper.

# WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, July 18 otations, unless otherwise specific sale for such quantities as are sub-by retail dealers, and are sub-ject reductions on large quantities, ar scounts.)

#### BUILDING MATERIAL.

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mand is heavy and prices hold
Dealers are behind with their orfor lime, but stone is in good supWe quote: Brick, \$3.50 to \$10.00
housand; rubble stone, \$4.50 per
footings, \$5.50 per cord f.o.b. at
of shipment; white lime, 22c per
point of shipment.

#### CURED MEATS.

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#### DRY GOODS.

trade continues good and all busy with this at present are now off the road until Winnipeg Exhibition, which, this volume of orders tem-che exhibiton is expected to y visitors from the country of doubt do some buying.

## DRUGS.

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there is steady with good
all seasonable lines. The
c'il Drug and Paint Reporter
following list of changes in
up to Monday: Advancnc, outside, 1½c; bromides
wax, ½c; Mex. sarsparto- Declined -- Beeswax, 1½c;
sycerine. ½c; gum kine, 3c;
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### REEN FRUITS.

change to note in prices 25c in the price of pears now down to \$2.25. We niges, 128 to 250s, \$5.00 Messinas, 360s, \$5.50;

\$6.00; \$2.00: 2008. \$5.00; plums \$2.25; apricots, \$6.200; bannans, \$2.75;
to \$3.00 per bunch; watermelons, per
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per dosen; pineappies, \$2.00 to \$2.50,
tomatoes in 4-basket crates, \$2.00 and \$2.50,
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dosen; Twis, per barrel, \$7.00 per
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dosen \$2.25; apri-nas, \$2.75; plums. 69-To Mir. He. Gallon; fruit cider, 30c per cider, 30c gallon; nuts, pecans, 15c; almonds, 14c; walnuts, 14c; filberts, 16c; peanuts, 10, 12 and 14c; Brazil

## GROCERIES.

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Trade is active. Now pack salmon is being quoted and prices are slightly higher than last year for some kinds, which was also as the same the same through the property of the pro

# HARDWARE.

There is no change to record in prices here since a week ago, either in hardware or raints. Wholesale dealers are all busy and some are behind with

#### SCRAD

SCRAP.

The market for scrap iron is weaker, although quotations here are not quotably lower. We quote: No. 1 cast quotably lower. We quote: No. 1 cast 15.00; No. 2, \$1.00; No. 2, \$1.0

grain AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—At the end of last week the markets closed strong after an auvance of from 3 to keep the strong after an auvance of from 3 to keep the strong after an auvance of from 3 to keep the strong after an auvance of from 3 to keep the strong after an auvance of a strong after an auvance of a strong after an auvance of a strong and a slump of 1½ to 2½c took place to the strong and a slump of 1½ to 2½c took place to the strong and a slump of 1½ to 2½c took place to the strong and a slump of 1½ to 2½c took place to the strong and the strong GRAIN AND PRODUCE seen in the continued decrease in the visible supply, already getting to cook by the Last week the American visible was down to 14,311,000 bus, agains 19,808,000 bus in 1902, 27,973,000 bus in 1901, and 46,081,000 bus in 1901.

During the week European During the week European markets have held steady, showing a moderate degree of strength. The weather wer there has been mostly flavorable during the last three weeks and in the south, where harvesting is in progress, the yield and quality are superior to last year's. In Engand cutting is expected to begin by the end of this month. India continues to ship free-month. pected to begin by the end of memonth. India continues to ship free-by. In the Argentine the seed is go-by. In the Argentine the seed is go-by. In the Argentine the seed is go-by. In the Argentine the seed is good to be a seed of the Argentine for the winter wheat crop in the States is progressing favorably under suitable weather wheat crop in the States is progressing favorably under suitable weather wheat the week has been found to some what the week has been found to the week were warm and for the most part day, but with some showers, and the last the warm of the week were warm and for the most part day, but with some showers, and the last care of two dands done showers and complete the seed of the see

stree of improvement on the week. Settlemets as to the probable yield vary considerably, some going as low the probable with the probable yield vary considerably, some going as low the Territories. We are included of submit 60,000,000 bus, as a fair estimate from present data, as against an extended of the considerable of the settlement of the week, as the season's business is make a closely reliable estimate. Manitoba wheat has been quiet of the week, as the season's business is wheat left to work on. There has been a small urgent demand for I hard for July delivery, but outside of that the season's business. The season is the market. Some exporters are not in the market. Some superiority of the season's business. We quote the new season's business. We quote prices as follows: I hard, Si<sup>3</sup>gc; 1 Taylor, and the season's business. We quote prices as follows: I hard, Si<sup>3</sup>gc; 1 Taylor, and the season's business. We quote prices as follows: I hard, Si<sup>3</sup>gc; 1 Taylor, and the probability of the season's business. We quote prices as follows: I hard, Si<sup>3</sup>gc; 1 Taylor, and the probability of the season's business. We quote prices as follows: I hard, Si<sup>3</sup>gc; 1 Taylor, and the probability of the season's business. We quote prices as follows: I hard, Si<sup>3</sup>gc; 1 Taylor, and the probability of the season's business. We quote prices as follows: I hard, Si<sup>3</sup>gc; 1 Taylor, and the probability of the season's business and the season's business and the season's business and the season's business and the season's business as a season's business and the season's business are season's business and the season's business

FLOUR—Demand is good and the market is steady. We quote: Hungarian Patent, \$2.15 per sack of 98 lbs., delivered to the trade; Glenora patent, \$2.00; strong bakers, \$1.55. These prices are and XXXX, \$1.35. These prices are

and XXXX, \$1.35. These prices are ubject to usual trade discounts. MILLFEED—The inside price for ran is now \$16 per ton and for shorts as per ton in buck, delivered to the

he trade,

GROUND FEED—Barley chop has GROUND FEED—Barley chop ha advanced \$1.00 per ton. Other price are unchanged. We quote: Oat chop \$21.00 per ton, delivered to the trade barley chop, \$18.00; mixed barley an ats, \$29; chop, screenings, \$12; oil ake, \$27 per ton. OATS—There is a good supply of oats,

OATS—There is a good supply of feed oats, quite enough for all require-ments of this market. Millers are not over a supplied. Dealers who have over a supplied. Dealers who have cleaning up for the season. The mar-ket is easier east. Local buyers pay 32c per bushel for carlots of No. 1 white, on track here, and 31c for 2 white, on track here, and 31c for 2 white. Feed grade, 29c to 39c. At Fort William No. 1 white oats are orth 31%c per bushel; No. 2 white

30%C.

BARLEY + Shippers are quoting 38%c for No. 3, and 37% to 38c for feed in store, Fort William. Local merchants would pay 32c to 36c for feed barley on the street here, and about it more on the track.

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HAJ-Press baied in cars on track is worth \$1 to \$7.50; loos, \$7 to \$8.30 is worth \$2 to \$7.50; loos, \$7 to \$8.30 is worth \$2 to \$7.50; loos are \$1.75 per sack of \$9 pounds for carlots and \$1.85 for jobbing quantities. Standard and granulated oatmeal is worth \$2.40 per \$1.50; looking \$1.50;

ets, 15c.
POULTRY—There is almost nothing POULTRY—There is almost nothing doing in this line. Dealers offer 50 to 75c per pair for live chickens and 15c per pound for turkeys. BUTTER—Creamery—Dealers have this week been paying 161/2c per pound

for choice factory butter in packages delivered here. BUTTER — Dairy — Commission bouses are paying 12c to 13c net here for round lois of fresh dairy. Really choice goods are worth as high as 13c net with a range of from He to 15c. net with a range of from lee Manitoba 19g. — Dealers are new paying 19g. — Dealers are new paying 19g. — The make so far has not been large on 19g. — to 19g. — The make so far has not been large on 19g. — The make so far has not been large.

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EGGS.—There is no change in the anarket since a week ago. Demand is good and the supply none too large, hotce case eggs are worth 13c to 13 up per dozen, delivered here, sub-

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DRESSED MEATS—The market

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thered at Winnipeg, and No. 2, 3c per pound.
SENECA ROOT—There is a liberal movement of root to market now and advices from producing districts indicate that there are a number of large to the control of the control

## LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Grass fed animals are becoming more plentiful and the mar-ket is easy at 4½c per pound for choice grades and 4c to 4¼c for in-

SHEEP-Mutton sheep are offering

SHEEP—Mutton sheep are offering at 14/5c to 5c per pound off cars here. Lambs are worth \$4\$ to \$5\$ each here. HOGS—The market is well supplied and the tendency easier. Some prediction of the state of

quality. HQRSES—There is a steady de HQRSES—There is a steady demand for work horses, and the market is firm at from \$350 to \$450 per team for horses of the right age and weight. Inferior animals range down to \$90 and \$100 each. Drivers are saleable at about \$150 each

## ANOTHER CROP ESTIMATE.

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S. P. Clark, of the Northern Elevator Company, where a Minneapolia firm the following estimate a pied of mine the maintoba crop on July 14: "Crop prospects in Manitoba indicate a yield of the manitoba indicate a yield of the manitoba comments of the manitoba indicate a pied of the manitoba comments of the manitoba commen

Cottton goods maintain all of their strength. Makers claim that at pres-ent prices they are below parity with the raw material.

Advices from lake ports say that coal has been coming forward very freely this season from the east and that there is no danger of shortage next winter.

So far this year there has been a gain of 382 in the otal number of publications issued in the United States and Canada over 1902. This increase is entirely in the west.

On pages 1124 and 1125 of this issue will be found an advertisement of spec-ial interest to the dry goods trade of the country. This is one of a series of special advertisements which is be-ing run in The Commercial by R. J. Whitta & Co., Ltd.