

Lake and Rail Freight.

There has been a fair volume of business during the past week, engagements being reported of wheat from Chicago to Montreal 5c per bushel and from Duluth to Montreal 5 1/2c. It is reported that engagements have been made for wheat from Fort William to Montreal at 7c for September. From Chicago to Buffalo 1 1/2c on wheat and 1 3/4c on corn; and from Buffalo to New York 4c on wheat, 3 1/2c on corn and 3c on oats.—Montreal Trade Bulletin.

Ocean Grain Freight.

There has been little change in the condition of the ocean grain freight market of late. The demand during the past few days has been limited; in consequence, the volume of business has been small, but notwithstanding this fact the undertone to the market is firm, and rates are well maintained. The September room is well booked up now, and some has been engaged for October. We quote, asking rates as follows: Liverpool, 1c 3d September; 1c 6d October; London 1c 9d October; Glasgow, 1c 3d September, 1c 6d October; Manchester, 1c 10d October; Hamburg, 2c 3d October; Antwerp, 2c October; Belfast, 2c October; Dublin, 2c 3d October. Rates to Avonmouth, Leith, Rotterdam and Cardiff are not quoted at present.—Montreal Gazette.

Flax Seed Outlook.

Frost and other damaging influences have reduced the estimated yield of flax in the Northwestern States. About five per cent. is given as the amount of reduction. North Dakota, which is now the greatest flax state, is not expected to average more than 8 1/2 bushels to the acre. The flax area of that state is given as 1,900,000 acres, which would make the yield 16,150,000 bush. About 1 1/2 bushels is given as the average for South Dakota and Minnesota. Other more southerly states have suffered more than these northern ones through unfavorable conditions, but their area is much less and therefore the loss is not so important. The total

area in flax in the United States is placed at 3,415,000 acres, which is expected to yield about 30,000,000 bushels. This amount is very much in excess of the requirements of their home market, and the surplus will have to be exported. It is expected that the result of placing in Europe the large quantity which will be available for export will force the markets there down to the level of three years ago, when flax seed was worth about 30c under present prices. At present October flax is selling in Duluth in the neighborhood of \$1.25 per bushel.

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this date last year:
Wheat—No. 1 hard wheat closed 60c in store Fort William for Sept.
Flour—Jobbing price per sack: Patent, \$2.00; best bakers, \$1.85.
Millstuffs—42s, \$12.50 per ton; shorts, \$11.50 per ton delivered.
Country wheat—Farmers' loads, 54 to 56c per bushel.
Barley—Malting, 38 to 40c; feed, 34 to 36c.
Oats—Carlota on track, 20 to 22c per bushel.
Butter—Dairy, 13 to 15c per pound; creamery, 16c for fresh make at the factories.
Eggs—16c for fresh stock.
Potatoes—New, 8c per bushel.
Dressed Meats—Beef, 54 1/2c for city dressed; country, 5c under these figures; veal, 70c; mutton, fresh, 10c; hogs, 50 1/2c.
Poultry—Dressed, chickens, 12 1/2c per lb.; fowl, 60c per pair; ducks, 6c per lb.; turkeys, 1c per lb.; dressed, 6c per lb.
Hides—No. 1 hides, 6c.
Wool—For unwashed fleece.
Seneca Root—\$2.34 per lb.
Baled Hay—\$6.50 per ton on cars.
Live stock—Cattle, 24 1/2c; stockers, yearlings, \$14 1/2c per head; sheep, 4 1/2c; hogs, 5 1/2c; packers, price.

The British Editors.

The party of British editors who have been touring Western Canada for some weeks, returned homeward this week. While in Winnipeg on their way east they accepted an invitation from Mr. Black to visit the Ogilvie flour mill. A hurried, but to the visitors very interesting inspection was made of this great industry, some of

whom were very glad of the chance to have a look through one of the largest and most complete flour mills in the world. Later the party visited the Hudson's Bay stores and were shown through the premises by Manager Taylor. Here they were particularly interested in inspecting the furs, both raw and manufactured, this department being quite a novelty to some of the party.

Australia Needs Our Wheat.

Secretary C. N. Bell, of the grain exchange, has received word from the office of the commercial agency of the government of Canada that the Australian crop has practically failed and that the Australians are in want of Canadian wheat.

J. S. Larke has written the following letter which explains itself:

Office of the Commercial Agency of the Government of Canada.
Sydney, N.S.W., Aug. 11, 1902.

The Secretary of the Board of Trade, Winnipeg, Man.

Sir:—The prospects of a bad Australian harvest are increasing, which involves a demand for wheat as well as flour. I am desirous of securing the trade for Canadians directly and to this end I should be glad to receive from your board graded samples of wheat as fixed by the inspectors and the names of such persons and firms as are able to export with their cable address and code used. It is necessary to add that Canada will have no monopoly of the market as United States firms here are ready to quote hard wheat, Canadian as well as United States, at market rates.

Signed, J. S. LARKE.
The secretary of the board of has already arranged that grain standard samples will be sent to Mr. Larke and he will be pleased to hear from any grain or milling firms who would like to have their names with cable address and telegraph code used, forwarded to Mr. Larke so that he may place them in communication with Australian importers. Mr. William Clarke, of Sydney, N. S. W., visited the board of Trade rooms yesterday in order to in-

quire into the prospects for obtaining a supply of barley for importation into Australia for the purpose of malting very heavy and the Australians desire to procure Maltese barley and manufacture the malt there.

Tobacco Higher.

Owing to severe damage to the tobacco crop of the United States, Kansas has been a sharp advance in the price of Canadian smoking tobacco. From this last "T. & B." is 4c higher; Lilly, 7c per pound higher; Crescent, 5c per pound higher. The price of tobacco has advanced so far that this advance will have been made from Canadian manufacturers are not prepared to do it but it is thought that they will advance in sympathy. Chewing tobacco is also unchanged so far.

Canadian Cattle Going Out Via Sea.

Canadian cattle from the west country are apparently not able to market via our own route this year. Several large bands have been driven from the western route to points on the Great Northern way, in the west, and shipped there to Portland and other States ports. Cattle from the west country are also being driven to the Canadian Northern railway, to be shipped out via the United States route.

Stocks.

Many a man would be ashamed to have his store front looking as nicely as his newspaper ad. "Industrial Canada," of September 1st, in circulation with a full report of the proceedings of the Halifax meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association. A train is being run over the track from Fort William to Winnipeg this week for the purpose of testing the reduction of grades. The trip will depend the decision of the company's engineers as to what improvements can be made in part of the track system.

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