

WINNIPEG PRICES CURRENT

The scrutineers reported the following elected: G. R. Crowe, John Love, Thomas Thompson, G. V. Hastings, W. L. Parrish, E. O'Reilly, Fred Phillips, T. B. Baker, Robt. Muir, C. Tilt.

The following seven members were elected by ballot to constitute the arbitration committee: W. L. Parrish, G. R. Crowe, C. A. Young, and S. Plink.

The appeal board was elected as follows: S. P. Clark, Thos. Thompson, F. Phillips, N. Bawlf, F. W. Thompson, H. S. Paterson, W. J. McMillan. On motion of Mr. Bawlf a vote of thanks was tendered the president and the scrutineers. The mover remarked that the first president of the board was now the lieutenant governor, and that another was provincial premier.

It was added that still another was minister of public works. "So we have reason to believe," continued Mr. Bawlf, "that we shall get there some time."

Members present at the meeting were: Messrs. W. Martin, C. Young, J. Love, J. G. Harvey, T. Thompson, W. Matheson, W. L. Parrish, R. Muir, J. D. O'Brien, T. B. Baker, B. McBean, W. J. McMillan, G. R. Crowe, W. T. Gibbs, A. G. Archibald, C. Tilt, S. P. Clark, G. A. Carruthers, H. S. Paterson, D. W. Buchanan, N. Bawlf, S. Plink, H. S. Paterson.

THE FUR TRADE.

AUSTRALIAN FURS.

A writer in the Sydney Mail says that the fur industry in Australia is threatened with destruction, owing to excessive hunting. A large decrease in the number of skins is now reported for the last year. The native bear, or wombat, the paper says, is likely to be exterminated. Opposition is also becoming very scarce. These two furs are largely used by furriers in Canada and elsewhere, the wombat now supplying our cheap grade fur coats.

ALASKA FUR INDUSTRY.

Tacoma, Wash., December 1.—Unless the United States government take steps for the protection of the fur-bearing animals of Alaska, these valuable animals will be extinct before long. Exporters are alarmed at the growing scarcity of furs, and likely will petition congress this winter to take some action looking to the protection of the fur industry. The past season, it is said by those engaged in the business, has not been so productive, by many thousands of skins, as the year before.

The reasons advanced for this condition of affairs. First, the advent of the white man in Alaska has wrought havoc. The fires of the miners have driven the full-grown animals to inaccessible parts, and have burned to death the young, and, in the main, the most valuable fur producers. Second, it is said the Indians are not the hunters they were a few years ago.

Since the advent of the white men they have learned his ways, and among the number now there are many who are too lazy to hunt furs when they can get a living easier in the camps of the whites.

All the causes are combining to reduce the fur output of what was formerly the most valuable fur country in the world, and it is said that with a continuation of the same conditions for a few years more there will be a rapid advance in the price of some of the more costly furs, and in a not few instances some grades will be so scarce as is the genuine buffalo robe to-day.—N. Y. Commercial, December 6.

SEAL VALUES.

It should be noted by retailers throughout the country that the decline in the price of Alaska sealskins at the December London sale was not uniform on skins of all sizes, the large sizes, those mainly used in the manufacture of fine garments, bringing a small advance over the prices of 1899; and that, in the meantime, the possibility of retailers obtaining goods of improved quality and make at lower value than have prevailed this year. As a matter of fact, selling prices of seal garments have been lower than the rest of skins in December, 1899, would indicate, owing to the availability of skins secured at lower cost in December, 1898, which were worked

GROCERIES

Prices to retail dealers for ordinary lot, with usual discounts for cash or large lots.

Table listing various grocery items such as Apples, Peaches, Corn, Flour, Sugar, and other foodstuffs with their respective prices.

Dried Fruits

Prices per cwt. for various dried fruit products.

Table listing dried fruit items like Raisins, Apples, Prunes, and other dried goods with prices.

Teabags

Prices for various tea brands and types.

Table listing tea products including different brands and grades with prices.

DRUGS

Following are prices for parcels out with usual reductions for extra orders.

Table listing various drug items such as Alcohol, Bismuth, Camphor, and other medicinal products with prices.

Canned Meats

Prices for various canned meat products.

Table listing canned meat items like Corn Beef, Lunch Tongue, and other meats with prices.

Meats

Prices for various fresh meat cuts.

Table listing fresh meat items like Beef, Pork, Mutton, and other meats with prices.

Empire Tobacco Co.'s List

Prices for various tobacco products from the Empire Tobacco Co.

Table listing tobacco items like Cigarettes, Pipes, and other tobacco products with prices.

INSURANCE

Insurance rates for various goods and services.

Table listing insurance rates for different categories of goods and services.

Cereals

Prices for various cereal products.

Table listing cereal items like Corn Meal, Rolled Oatmeal, and other grains with prices.

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Prices for various meat products.

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FUEL

Prices for various fuel products.

Table listing fuel items like Coal, Wood, and other energy sources with prices.

Cigars

Prices for various cigar brands.

Table listing cigar items like Old Judge, Athlete, and other brands with prices.

China

Prices for various Chinese goods.

Table listing Chinese items like Tea, Silk, and other goods with prices.

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Dates

Prices for various date products.

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retailers to purchase garments at the lowest cost; the skins of the 1898 catch have been made up and sold and garments from date will be made wholly of the new and higher-cost skins, and manufacturers will therefore be unable to show lower prices.—New York Fur Trade Review.

RAW FURS.

The December flurry in the raw fur market, says the Fur Trade Review of New York, was not consequent upon any new arrivals, but was purely speculative, and was confined to dealers and shippers seemingly impressed with the idea that they must have goods to ship for the January sales, regarding which rather extraordinary expectations were entertained; time will be made determinative in how far this course was wise.

The opinion has been entertained that the collection is a short one, but the grouping of the various shipments may prove that the catch is ample to meet real requirements.

IMPORTATIONS BY HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY, 1900.

Badger, 647; black bear, 7,283; brown bear, 723; gray bear, 132; white bear, 50; beaver, 40,246; ermine, 11,403; fisher, 3,336; blue fox, 225; cross fox, 1,389; red fox, 5,019; silver fox, 273; white fox, 2,993; lynx, 4,358; marten, 49,073; mink, 46,837; musk ox, 3,063; musquash, 918,447; land otter, 9,078; sea otter, 1; rabbit, 6,589; racoon, 9,097; dry hall seal, 3,538; skunk, 1,074; walrus, 2,539; seal, 710; porpoise, salted, half-skins, 82.

The new organization which has taken over the majority of the leading

furniture manufacturing establishments in Ontario is known as the Canada Furniture Manufacturers' Limited. The capital is \$5,000,000, and it is intended as far as possible to specialise production and so secure cheapness of output and to develop the export trade, which has already attained some importance.

On New Year's day residents of Vancouver and other coast points were afforded the rather unusual pleasure of sleigh driving, snow having fallen to a considerable depth. Street car service and general traffic was badly handicapped. The Canadian Northern Railway are seeking co-operation of the Ontario Colonization Department in the settling of settlers for the Rabay River district. Immigration literature will be distributed and settlers secured who will most probably be sent from Winnipeg in the spring.

These are retail prices, delivered to consumers in the city or per ton less at the yards. Per ton.

Table listing various items and their prices, including Pennsylvania anthracite, Stoves, and other goods.