

Events of the Week

CANADIAN.

A new smokeless, flameless, odorless powder for blasting to replace dynamite has been invented by J. A. Goldsmith of Edmonton, Alta., and tested by the Standard Coal company.

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It is reported that a large body of iron ore has been found in the Laurentian Hills not more than a hundred miles from Montreal, which assays about sixty per cent.

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Disastrous forest fires have been raging in the province of Quebec. A number of villages, including Carmel, have been destroyed.

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A hundred head of live-stock were killed in a train wreck near Indian Head, Sask., on July 11th.

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The Canadian Pacific railway Y. M. C. A. at Schreiber, Ont., was formally opened. The building has fine baths, electric lighting, steam heat, big social rooms and an excellent cuisine.

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It is probable that Thanksgiving Day will be set for a Monday this year.

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The ten o'clock closing of hotel bars in Alberta came into force on July 15th. If it accomplishes nothing else, it will save wives and mothers many hours of anxiety.

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A New Haven despatch says that football players of Swarthmore College have come to Manitoba to work in the wheatfields as a course of training for next season's games.

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The mission house at Fort Chippewyan on Lake Athabasca was destroyed by fire. Beside the building, all the coming winter's supplies were burned and over twenty train dogs and a stock of fishing nets.

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In the big rifle shoot of the Alberta riflemen at Calgary, Medicine Hat carried off first honors in the association match, with Calgary second.

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The Ruthenian Teacher's association held its annual convention in Winnipeg. Among other questions discussed were the dual languages in their schools and the use of free text books. Resolutions were framed expressing the desire of the convention for both of these things.

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Six men and six women of the party of Doukhobors who wandered sadly some time ago, have been arrested and sent to jail for six months. It is hoped that the removal of the leaders will end the trouble.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Mount Etna in Italy is again in active eruption.

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Another British commission will go to East Africa to study the fatal sleeping sickness. They will go to the northern shore of Lake Victoria, near which some of the victims of the disease are being treated.

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A receiver has been appointed for the Alaska Central Railway company upon the complaint of one of the stockholders.

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Many deaths and prostrations have occurred in Chicago and New York as a result of the intense heat.

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Capt. Richmond Hobson has been writing so many articles on the yellow peril that he has come to believe in them himself, and went to the democratic convention prepared to scare that body into agitating for more warships within the week. Nobody took his shrieks very seriously.

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A milking contest is one of the new departures at the Western Fair, London, Ont., this fall. The contest will be open to all breeds, and will be conducted under the same rules as the last one at Guelph Winter Fair. All cows are to be milked dry Tuesday night at nine o'clock, the contest to start Wednesday morning, Sept. 16th, at five o'clock, and concluded Thursday night, Sept. 17th.

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Are you keeping your cows or are your cows keeping you? This is a question which every man who harbors cows should be able to answer, one way or the other. If you're not getting a return from the cow herd that nets a profit over and above the cost of feed and care, it's time you either changed your cows or your methods of handling the ones you now have. If you don't know whether you're making money in the dairy business or not, it's time you did. There's abundance of opportunity nowadays for a man finding out exactly where he is at in the cow business. If he wants to keep cows as Mr. Bowser wanted to keep hogs, simply because they give a touch of ruralism to the home surroundings, then it doesn't make much difference whether they're turning in a profit or not. But most men keep cows in this country in the hope of securing a few more of the elusive dollar by so doing. The aesthetic taste for the beautiful can be gratified as well by the profit makers as by the boarder.

Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, 1908.

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The Maple Leaf Brand of saws of all styles covered one end of the second manufacturers' building and proved to be one of the interesting exhibits at the Exhibition. The Maple Leaf Brand is manufactured by Shurley and Dietrich, of Galt, Ontario, and is the largest saw works in the British Empire. All these saws are tempered by a secret process, so our readers can rest assured when they procure a Maple Leaf saw they are getting the best obtainable.

The Western Heating Co., of Winnipeg, had on exhibit one of their water heaters. It is attached to the stove pipe and can be placed directly above the stove or on the next floor. It is heated by the waste heat which passes up the pipe, so its principal feature is economy. The heat strikes the boiler at the base and after separation passes through five small tubes and is delivered again into the stove pipe. The capacity of the boiler is sixteen gallons, and this can be heated in forty minutes. Besides the value of having hot water all the time it serves as a heater in cold weather.

The Gold Medal Furniture Co. makers of the famous Hercules Bed Spring had one of their machines on the ground with a competent man in charge making springs. Everybody seemed to take advantage of this opportunity of seeing bed springs made as great crowds were always in evidence watching the process.

The Hackney Stock Food had an attractive exhibit of their well known line of stock remedies. Wm. Gray & Sons Co., were much in evidence with a fine display of carriages and other wheeled goods.

The Anchor Fence Co., had a good exhibit of fencing but were particularly strong in the line of lawn iron fences and fancy posts.

Paroid Roofing, manufactured by F. W. Bird and Son was conspicuously displayed. Paroid Roofing is first class quality and stands every test.

Merrick-Anderson & Co. exhibited building paper and their well known Campo Rubber Roofing.

H. J. Dennis, manufacturer of the Peace Metal Strip, illustrated exactly how this strip could be placed on windows. With this on, your window is dust proof and water proof, besides it is invaluable in the winter time to keep in the heat.

The Raymond Manufacturing Co., of Guelph, Ont., exhibited their well known Raymond Sewing Machine.

The Winnipeg Paint and Glass Co., Ltd., had a large exhibit of Martin-Senour Paint and Malthoid Roofing.

Purity Flour was most conspicuously displayed by the Western Canada Flour Mills.

PACKING BLUE RIBBON TEA.

If one stood and watched the boys in the Blue Ribbon tea exhibit it would be a surprise how easy it is to put the tea in packages. The tea is carried from a large vat through a spout to a weighing machine and this weighs at the rate of from fifteen to twenty-five packages per minute. When a half pound or pound is on the weighing machine the spout closes automatically. An electric current now passes up releasing a catch and reversing the weighing pan. The tea now runs down into a tin funnel which is placed inside of a lead package. The end of this package is hastily folded and sent on to the next worker. Next comes the process of labelling, which is, of course, done in a surprisingly fast manner.

Other very attractive and interesting exhibits were made by the Boyce Carriage Co., Hammonds, Dunlop Tire and Rubber Goods Co., Great West Saddlery Co., Odorkill Manufacturing Co., and the various Piano houses.

MARKETS

Wheat seems to have developed unexpected strength during the past fortnight. Prices have not advanced to any remarkable extent, in fact only a cent or two in all, but the fact is that values maintain themselves in the face of the new harvest coming on, of wheat actually being sold and milled. Reports from the Southwest, where threshing and marketing are in full swing, indicate an unexpected local demand for wheat. Millers are buying briskly to cover flour contracts already made. Export demand, also, has strengthened of late. There is a call for wheat from Europe which American or Argentine supplies are too low to completely fill. Added to this, bullish sentiment has been growing on the unfavorable weather which continues to prevail all through the American and Canadian hard wheat states. Rain has been badly wanted for the past month, and the crop is suffering seriously in consequence. Over a portion of the Canadian provinces copious rains fell on July 15th. But the wheat crop had been seriously damaged before the dry spell was broken. Reports from Manitoba and Saskatchewan indicate that on all but summer fallowed land the crop is going to be light.

Railroad magnates, politicians and other boomsters have been making optimistic estimates recently of the probable wheat yield of the Western provinces, but confidential advices lead us to believe that these are figured altogether too high. Wheat prospects cannot be sized up from a cursory glimpse of a wheat field here and there, as one glides past it in a railway coach. The fact is that the dry spell has seriously injured the growing crop. In some sections the grain is headed out and is not over a foot high. It is then on the ground in proportion. The late rains may help some, but present prospects are for a lower than average yield.

European reports are none too favorable. Prices in the Winnipeg market are as follows:

1 hard.....	107
1 northern.....	106
2 northern.....	103
3 northern.....	100
No. 4.....	93
No. 5.....	83
No. 6.....	74
Feed 1.....	63½
Feed 2.....	56½
No. 2 white oats.....	40½
No. 3 white.....	38½
No. 4 barley.....	45
Feed.....	41
Flax N. W.....	118

OPTION QUOTATIONS

	Aug.	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat.....	105½	88½	87½
Oats—			
No. 2 white.....	39½	34	
No. 3.....	37½	38½	

PRODUCE AND MILL FEED

	Net per ton—
Bran.....	\$19.00
Shorts.....	20.00
Chopped Feeds—	
Barley and Oats.....	26.00
Barley.....	25.00
Oats.....	28.00
Oatmeal mill feed.....	19.00
Wheat chop.....	22.00
Hay per ton (cars on track, Winnipeg) prairie hay.....	\$ 6.00@ \$ 8.00
Timothy.....	12.00@ 14.00
Loads.....	8.00@ 9.00

BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS

Fancy fresh made creamery bricks.....	21½	@	22
Boxes, 14 to 28 lbs.....	21½	@	23½
DAIRY BUTTER—			
Extra fancy prints.....	21½	@	22
Dairy in tubs.....	20½	@	22½
CHEESE—			
Manitoba cheese at Winnipeg.....	11½	@	12½
Eastern cheese.....	11½	@	12½
Eastern cheese.....	13½	@	13½
EGGS—			
Manitoba fresh gathered f. o. b. Winnipeg.....	20		

VEGETABLES

Potatoes, car lots.....	55	@	60
Potatoes, smaller lots.....	60		
Beets, per doz.....	30		
Celery, per doz.....	80	@	\$1 00
Onions, per cwt.....	\$3.00		

LIVESTOCK

WINNIPEG

Prices have been shading down a little at Winnipeg since last report, the decline being due to the decrease in American and British quotations and to the increased number of cattle being marketed. A large business was done at the local stock yards during the week. Several trainloads of excellent export stuff have been sent through. Messrs. Huckvale and Hooper of Medicine Hat sent in a bunch of Herefords towards the close of the week, well fattened steers that would average 1300 lbs. each, entirely grass finished. These topped the market the day they went through, being sent on East for export.

In Chicago, prices are averaging about a dollar a hundred less than they did a week ago, and marketing is reported unsatisfactory. Liberal receipts of grass fed cattle is the cause given for the slump. At one time American packers seemed to be buying as if they thought the west was exhausted of beef, but recent developments indicate that the run of grass fed stuff is going to be heavier than expected. British beef markets show little change. Prices in Winnipeg are as follows.

Choice export steers, \$4.00; cows and heifers, \$3.25 to \$3.50; common butcher stock, \$2.50 to \$3.00; calves, \$4.00 to \$4.50; hogs, bacon weights, \$5.50; heavy pigs, \$4.50.

CHICAGO

Native beef cattle, \$4.15 to \$7.60; fat cows, \$2.80 to \$5.50; heifers, \$2.65 to \$5.50; bulls, \$2.75 to \$5.00; canners, \$1.50 to \$2.75; calves, \$2.60 to \$6.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.80 to \$4.60. Sheep, native yearlings, \$4.00 to \$5.50; native ewes, \$2.25 to \$4.65; wethers, \$4.40 to \$4.50; bucks, \$2.75 to \$3.25. Hogs, \$6.15 to \$6.90.

TORONTO

Export steers, \$5.50 to \$5.75; medium and common export, \$4.00 to \$5.50; butchers stock, \$2.75 to \$5.00; bulls, \$2.00 to \$2.50; stockers, \$3.50; lambs, \$7.00; export sheep, \$3.50 to \$3.75; hogs, \$6.65 to \$6.90; calves, \$3.00 to \$5.50.