

DeKuyper red gin, \$11.50 per case; DeKuyper green gin, \$8.50 per case; Tom Gin, \$9.00 to \$10.00; Martel and Hennessy's brandy, one star, \$14.00 per case of 12 bottles; v. o., \$19. v. s. o. p., \$22.

WOOL.

The tendency is reported to be rather easier in eastern wool markets, and instead of purchasers hunting up the commodity, rather the opposite is the case. Prices are unchanged here and as follows: 7 to 8c for unwashed fleece, and 12 to 15c for washed. Western ranch sheep, 11 to 14c unwashed.

THE MARKETS.

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WHEAT.

The last official crop report of the United States Government, published on July 10th, is a rather bullish document. It gives an estimate of improved condition in wheat of 2.3 points in winter and 3.1 points in spring, as compared with the condition existing June 1, last. The spring wheat is therefore represented to be 15.8 points better than at the corresponding date last year, and the winter wheat 7.9 per cent. worse off than last year, with a decreased area of 1,250,000 acres. This report had a weakening effect upon wheat markets early last week, but was partially offset on the following day, by less favorable crop news from Europe. Estimates of the probable total wheat crop of the United States for 1888 have been steadily growing in amount, since early in the season. Earliest estimates of the crop were the most bullish, and usually ranged under 400,000,000 bushels. The improved condition of the crops as the season has advanced, has now brought estimates of the probable yield up to considerably over 400,000,000 bushels, the average estimate being about 425,000,000 bushels. Some statisticians say 10,000,000 more, others about the same amount less. Unless some calamity overtakes the crop, it is now certain that the spring wheat yield will be considerably over that of last year, and this will help very considerably to make up the shortage in the yield and acreage of fall wheat. The acreage of spring wheat is placed at about one per cent. greater than last year. Last year the spring wheat yield was 163,000,000 bushels, and the same year the fall wheat yield was something over 290,000,000 bushels, or a total of say 455,000,000 bushels. The local crop situation continues to steadily improve. From all parts of Manitoba and the Territories where wheat is grown to any extent, very favorable reports are constantly being received. No damage has been sustained so far from either insects or climatic conditions, and though the season was late at the commencement, the crops have advanced with unusual rapidity, and are now not greatly, if any, behind average years.

FLOUR.

Quotations in broken lots to the local trade were: Patents, \$2.25; strong bakers, \$2.05; XXXX, \$1.55; superfine, \$1.40.

MILLSTUFFS.

Bran is quoted 50c lower, at \$8.50 per ton; shorts \$1 lower at \$11 per ton.

OATS.

Nominal at about 32 to 33c in car lots.

OATMEAL.

Prices to the trade in broken lots are: Standard, \$2.65; granulated, \$2.80; rolled oats, \$3.20.

EGGS.

Receipts have continued rather light, and prices have held steady at 15c in case lots.

BUTTER.

There is continued dullness in the butter market, and the commodity is slow sale. The very top price for choice is 16c, and this only in small lots for selected. About 15c is nearer the general price for what is usually considered first quality here. A good deal of the stuff coming in, however, will not bring this price, and ranges from 14c downward to as low as 12c, for second quality, with poor quoted as low as 8c. One sale of poor quality was made at 7c. The inquiry for a car lot for eastern shipment could not be filled with the quality desired, at the price offered. Some job lots are always moving westward.

CHEESE.

Quoted 12 to 12½c in small lots.

LARD.

Usually quoted at \$2.40 in 2c lb. pails.

CURED MEATS.

Prices hold firm. Some hogs are being received for packing, and more activity in this direction is expected soon, as hogs are expected to become more plentiful shortly. The bulk of the stuff in the market is imported. Prices are firmer for bacon and hams, as follows: Long clear, 11½ to 12c; breakfast bacon, 15c; hams, 14c; hams, 15½c; Armour's star hams, 17c.

DRESSED MEATS.

Beef was easier but quoted at 7 to 8c; mutton steady at 12 to 13c; hogs, firm, at 8 to 8½c.

LIVE STOCK.

Cattle continue to rule toward a lower range of quotations, and 4c is now about the top figure, with quotations ranging from 3½ to 4c. Hogs are offered more freely, quotations having been asked for a number of proposed shipments to be made later on to this market. In a month or six weeks it is expected offerings will be fairly liberal. Several lots have arrived lately, mostly part cars, with cattle. The general quotation is 6c, and this price is expected to rule for the next few weeks, though not as firmly as of late.

Grain and Milling.

The latest addition to the milling industry in Manitoba is the new mill just completed at McGregor, in this province. McGregor is on the main line of the C. P. R., about 75 miles west of Winnipeg, and is the centre of a fine agricultural country. The erection of the mill was commenced early last spring, R. Whitelaw, mill builder, of Woodstock. The mill was built directly under the supervision of A. J. Mackay, assisted by James Thompson, mill-wright. The mill which has a capacity of about 100 barrels, was put in operation early this month, and was found to work like a charm from the first starting of the machinery, having been running ever since without a hitch. It is said to be a model mill by those who have visited it. The engine is a 60 horse-power one, and with the boiler occupies a separate compartment from the mill proper. This machinery is fitted up in good shape, and rests upon massive stone founda-

tions, with fire brick encasing for the boiler. The mill building proper is a frame structure, 34x56 in size, three and a half storeys high. The ground floor is largely occupied with shafting, pulleys, etc. There is also on this floor a 60 bushel hopper, with weigh scales, for taking in wheat; also a hopper for chopping mill, and a brush machine. On the first floor above are the rolls. There are three double sets of 9x18 rolls and one double set 9x24. The other machinery on this floor are: Stones for chop feed, two centrifugal flour dressers, one power flour packer, one bag flour packer, one Craig scourer. The offices are also on this floor, and business is transacted with farmers in buying wheat or exchanging for flour. Flour can be spouted into wagons from this floor. The next flat is taken up with separators, scalping reels, break flour reel, Herford reel, centrifugal reel, aspirator, and purifiers; also flour bins above packers and bran and shorts bins. In the top half storey are located a bran duster, two dust collectors, and elevator heads, 16 of which are in the building. The machinery is driven from two shafts, the main shaft being on the ground floor, and an auxiliary shaft in the top storey. The mill has been purchased from the builder by George Rogers, of Winnipeg, who is an old mill man, and who will be assisted by his brother, late of the Crystal City mill. Mr. Rogers will have a small grain elevator erected at once, and is in other ways preparing for a continuous operation of the mill. Samples of the flour already turned out are of excellent quality, and there is every reason to believe that the mill will soon gain an enviable reputation, under the skillful management of Messrs. Rogers.

HARRY BASSENACH will open a bakery at Portage la Prairie.

G. T. DEMAINE has leased the baker's over of McTavish, at Deloraine, Man.

GALBRAITH & CAMPION have purchased the stock and business of George Taylor, dealer in Japanese goods, Vancouver, B. C.

JAMES CARROLL, long in the employ of a large firm at Calgary, is opening out in the grocery and provision business at the place named.

CAPT. GEO. H. YOUNG, in the Interior Department, has been appointed inspector of customs for the sixth customs district, which embraces Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, and also Port Arthur.

A SPECIAL general meeting of the Manitoba & Northwestern Railway Company was held at Montreal on Friday, for the purpose of authorizing the directors to issue debenture stock, also to ratify the agreement entered into with the St. Paul Construction Company.

THE reason why "Myrtle Navy" tobacco has taken so strong a hold upon the smoking community is because it is the genuine article. No man has a desire to smoke anything else than tobacco. Even opium is not smoked for the pleasure of smoking it but for its soporific effects. The desire for tobacco is, of course, best satisfied by getting the pure article, and when to this is added the finest quality the satisfaction is complete. These two things are combined in the "Myrtle Navy."