

while No. 3 at 58 to 59c. shows a decline of 2c. per bushel. All Manitoba wheats are 1c. lower; the movement is small and principally to local millers. The season's movement in barley is nearly over, and there is but little doing. Oats are unchanged. Peas, rye and corn are merely nominal. Buckwheat is scarce, and the market very strong, with quotations at 50 to 51c. per bushel.

HARDWARE.—Business continues much the same as reported last week. Orders are coming in fairly well, those for nails and wire, for spring shipment, being perhaps the largest. Prices remain steady, but we quote: copper, ingot, through competition, is a shade easier at 13 to 14c.; barbed wire is quoted at 4½c.; for some little time boiler plates have been easing off; we now quote them at: ½ in., \$2.20; 5-16 in., \$2.20; ¾ and thicker, \$2.20; zinc sheets are easier. Payments in comparison with the last week have been up to the average, while city merchants are buying more freely than at this time last year.

HIDES AND SKINS.—During the week there has been no change in hides; sales of cured in car lots at 5½c. per lb. are reported. Sheepskins are not coming in freely, but the demand has fallen off, and the feeling is easy. Calfskins find a ready demand, and quotations have advanced; they are now: green, 7 to 8c.; cured, 9 to 10c. per lb. Tallow, rendered, is reported to be worth 6c. in the Chicago market, while the feeling here is unsettled, with but little business done; the general prices are lower; we quote, rough 2½ to 2½c.; rendered, 7 to 7½c.

OILS.—The home market for burning oils is in an unsettled condition, due to the uncertainty as to the nature of the proposed change in the tariff. An effort is now being made to reduce the flash on Canadian oils; if this can be done, Canadian oils may be enabled to somewhat better stand the competition; we quote: Canadian, 12 to 13c.; Canadian, water white, 17 to 18c.; American, prime white, 17 to 18c. per gallon.

PROVISIONS.—Trade is fair. The receipts of choice butter have been larger, with the feeling easier; a scarcity for low grade still exists. Cheese at 11 to 12c. per lb. is a shade easier. There is a fair demand for dried and evaporated apples, with a movement in small lots. A fair trade, at unchanged prices, is doing in hog products. Dressed hogs are easier at \$8. Pure lard is worth a trifle less at 13 to 13½c.; compound is finding good sale at 11c. per lb. The supply of eggs has increased and the feeling is weak at 15c. per dozen. Dealers are paying \$1.25 to 1.35 for beans and asking \$1.40 to 1.50 per bushel. Honey is dull and unchanged.

SEEDS.—It would appear that most of the seed has been marketed, and the wholesale men are now beginning to sell. The market in clovers is very nervous, prices having ad-

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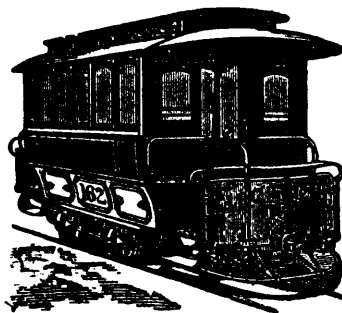
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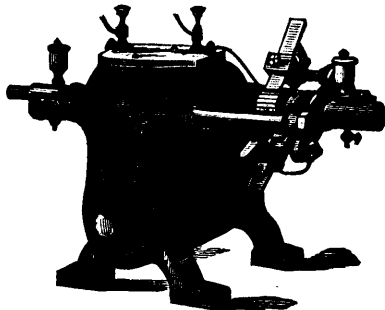


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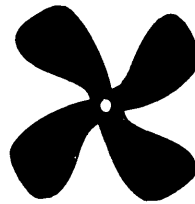
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