

Chas. Mair, of Prince Albert, Sask., dropped in on THE COMMERCIAL last week. He was on his way home from a trip to eastern Canada.

THE C. P. R. steamer Empress of Japan is expected to leave Liverpool April 11 on her trip around the world. The Empress of China leaves June 15th.

The principal transaction in the grocery trade to day says the Toronto Empire of March 24, was a sale of 500 cases canned peas at \$1.25, delivered in Montreal.

Commencing on May 1st, the Allans will operate a weekly line between Glasgow and New York, the steamers leaving Glasgow every Friday and New York every Tuesday.

The horse trade in Manitoba has been somewhat overdone this season. There is always a large demand in the spring of the year for horses, from new settlers or old ones who are increasing their farming operations. This spring, however, the number of horses brought in has so far exceeded the demand.

The Canadian Pacific railway will have three steamers on the Port Arthur and Owen Sound lake route this season, the Alberta and Athabasca being joined by the new steamer Manitoba. From descriptions, the new steamer will fully maintain the enviable reputation for comfort and excellence which this route has held from the start.

THERE is a good steady demand for teas of all grades at Toronto and prices are maintained. Low grade Young Hysons are scarce and high at 19 to 20c. Japans remain at 17 to 20c, and Congos at 16c up. Indian Ceylons keep firm, and are meeting a good demand. Coffees steady and unchanged at: Rios, 22 to 23c; Jamaica, 22 to 23c; Java, 26 to 35c, and Mocha, 29 to 35c.

The Canada Northwest Land Company's ninth annual report shows the net profits of the year 1890 to be \$10,282. The total sales for 1890 were 21,997 acres of farm lands, of which 1,757 has been paid for, making, with instalments of old sales paid during the year, a total of 13,933 acres. The sales under contract of sale amount to 62,534 acres. The net proceeds of sales of town sites accruing to the company for the past year were £10,863 19s 6d.

CANNED GOODS are somewhat excited, says the Toronto Empire of March 26, with prices advancing. For tomatoes there is an active demand; \$1 35 is positively the inside figure; some houses have instructed travellers to advance prices to \$1.40 to \$1.45. Corn is also improving; packers ask \$1 05 for what they hold, and spot sellers want \$1.10 to \$1 25. Peas firm, at \$1.25 to \$1.30. Fruits are dull and unchanged. Salmon is in fair demand at \$1.40 to \$1.60 as to brand.

GEN. Supt. Whyte, of the C. P. R., has returned to Winnipeg from Montreal and confirms the news published recently to the effect that the track on the Souris branch in Manitoba would be completed to Melita this spring and that during the summer the road would be extended from that place to the settlements to the west in the direction of the Souris coal fields. Improvements are also to be made, Mr. Whyte says, on the main line, and the facilities for handling trains are to be increased. It has not yet been decided to build the proposed branch from Fire Steel to the Atikokan iron district west of Port Arthur.

Northern Pacific And Manitoba Railway.

TIME CARD.

To take effect at 6 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, 1890.
Central or 90th Meridian Time.)

North Bound			South Bound		
Freight	Passenger	Miles from Winnipeg	STATIONS.	Passenger	Freight
No. 118, 3rd Class	No. 117, 1st Class			No. 118, 1st Class	No. 119, 3rd Class
11.20a	4.10p	0	Winnipeg	11.30a	3.00a
11.05a	4.02p	3.0	Portage Junction	11.37a	3.18a
10.45a	3.50p	9.3	St. Norbert	11.51a	3.47a
10.25a	3.30p	15.3	Cartier	12.05p	4.15a
9.55a	3.20p	23.5	St. Agathe	12.23p	4.55a
9.40a	3.12p	27.4	Union Point	12.30p	5.15a
9.20a	3.00p	32.6	Silver Plains	12.41p	5.45a
8.55a	2.43p	40.4	Morris	12.57p	6.25a
8.30a	2.50p	46.8	St. Jean	1.12p	6.67a
7.65a	2.10p	56.0	Letellier	1.30p	7.55a
7.20a	1.45p	65.0	West Lynn	1.50p	8.50a
6.30a	1.55p	68.1	Pembina	2.05p	9.05a
5.42a	1.01		Grand Forks	5.50p	
5.30a	2.50		Winnipeg Junction	9.55p	
1.30a	3.43		Brainerd	2.00a	
8.00p	4.53		Duluth	7.00a	
8.00p	4.81		St. Paul	7.05a	
8.35p	4.70		Minneapolis	6.35a	
9.30p			Chicago	11.15a	

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE BRANCH.

Miles from Winnipeg	STATIONS.	Miles from Winnipeg
0	Winnipeg	4.30p
3	Portage Junction	4.42p
11	St. Charles	5.10p
13	Headingley	5.18p
21	White Plains	5.41p
29	Gravel Pit	6.06p
35	Eustace	6.27p
42	Oakville	6.48p
49	Assiniboine Bridge	7.15p
55	Portage la Prairie	7.30p

MORRIS-BRANDON BRANCH.

Miles from Winnipeg	STATIONS.	Miles from Winnipeg
0	Morris	2.50p
10	Lowe's	3.12p
21	Myrtle	3.37p
25	Roland	3.48p
33	Rosebank	4.05p
39	Miami	4.19p
49	Deerwood	4.40p
54	Atta	4.51p
62	Somerset	5.08p
68	Swan Lake	5.23p
74	Indian Springs	5.35p
79	Marquette	5.45p
86	Greenway	6.00p
92	Balder	6.15p
102	Belmont	6.35p
107	Hilton	6.52p
120	Wawanesa	7.15p
129	Routhwaite	7.35p
137	Martintown	7.57p
146	Brandon	8.15p

Meals.
Nos. 117 and 118 run daily
Nos. 119 and 120 will run daily except Sunday.
Nos. 147 and 148 run daily except Sunday.
Nos. 140 and 137 will run Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
Nos. 135 and 139 will run Tuesdays, Thursdays & Sats.
Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars and Dining Cars on Nos. 117 and 118.
Passengers will be carried on all regular freight trains
J. M. GRAHAM, General Manager, Winnipeg.
H. SWINFORD, General Agent, Winnipeg.

Manitoba and Northwestern Ry.

LEAVE	Miles from Winnipeg.	STATIONS.	ARRIVE
11 00	0	Winnipeg	1 30
ar 12 50	56	Portage la Prairie	15 30 do
do 13 00			15 20 ar
14 45	91	† Gladstone	13 55
16 50	117	Neopawa	12 23
16 45	135	Minnedosa	11 46
ar 17 45	150	Rapid City	10 10 do
18 24	171	Snoal Lake	9 57
19 45	194	† Hirtle	8 55 do
20 25	211	Binscarth	7 55
21 55			
ar 21 05	223	A Russell B.	7 15 do
21 32			
23 02	236	c Langenburg D.	6 48
22 30			
24 00	292	c Saltcoats D.	6 50 do

† Meals.
A Thursdays and Saturdays. B Wednesdays. C Thursdays and Saturdays. D Mondays and Fridays.
If any passengers for stations between Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie, train will stop to let off, and when flagged to take on passengers.
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Canadians, Attention!

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