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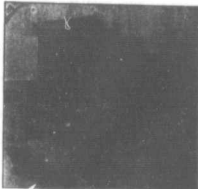
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THE EXHIBITION.

Public attention has been largely occupied this week in Winnipeg with the Industrial Exhibition. Large numbers of people have been carried into the city by the railway companies from the east, west and south to witness the various features provided at the exhibition grounds and the population of the city has also been largely in evidence on the grounds throughout the week. The weather has been fine, although perhaps a little too warm for comfort, but this helped out the sale of lemonade, ice cream and other refreshments and for once the vendors of these have had more than they could do. The daily attendance reports for the exhibition are not yet complete but they are known to show a very large increase over last year, which in its turn was a record year. On Monday (Children's Day) over 16,000 persons passed through the turnstiles on Tuesday (Ladies' Day) 20,000 people attended, on Wednesday (Citizen's Day) 30,000, making a total of 66,000 admissions for the first three days. Thursday and Friday are expected to show equally large returns, as on these days the visitors from the United States were here in crowds. Many of these came all the way from St. Paul and Minneapolis.

With regard to the exhibition premises there are many noticeable improvements in the grounds and buildings this year, which is in accordance with the settled policy of the management to improve the permanent investment as rapidly as possible. The grounds are also assuming a better appearance as the trees along the main avenues become larger. The buildings have also been altered in some places to better suit the convenience of crowds.

The number and variety of exhibits has been larger this year than last and a great deal of pains has been taken to obtain original and striking exhibits. It is, perhaps, hardly fair to particularize in this connection, but we may be excused for saying that the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company, The D. R. Dingwall Company, The Hudson's Bay Company, E. L. Drewry and The Stuart-Arbutnot Company have exceptionally fine displays in their departments in the main building.

In the dairy, horticultural and poultry departments the exhibits were

good and quite representative of these industries. In the horticultural class there is a noticeable increase in the fruit exhibits.

The machinery department of the fair is not what it used to be, largely owing to the withdrawal of the Impinger Company. The thrasher and engine companies exhibited this year and, also some of the vehicle companies. Their displays were highly creditable and attracted much attention.

It is not too much to say that without its live stock features the Winnipeg Industrial would be very much less attractive than it is now. There was certainly a splendid aggregation of horses and cattle this year and a good showing also of sheep and pigs, though the latter two classes of stock do not seem to receive the attention in Manitoba that they deserve. The horses and cattle were all that could be desired both in numbers and quality. All classes suitable for the country were represented, and many superior breeds of animals were shown. Manufacturers of Manitoba are not very numerous yet that they give a very large showing at the exhibition, but nevertheless the country is making progress in this direction. Some of the exhibits under this head have been noted elsewhere. Among them the exhibit of the Union Mining and Cement Company, which is developing important gypsum and cement properties on Lake Manitoba.

Aside from its industrial features the Winnipeg fair is a great season of merry-making and to meet the demands of this nature the management goes to a great deal of trouble and expense. The sporting and attractions programme this year seems to have given satisfaction. It was certainly an elaborate and expensive one. The management was particularly generous in providing music and other goods bands were in attendance each day.

Up-town the exhibition was quite as much an event as at the grounds. All stores and places of business made special preparations for entertaining the crowds from outside points. The wholesale houses received callers every day. The implement dealers all made their displays in their own warehouses and a finer aggregation of farming machinery could not be seen anywhere than was shown by the various companies competing for business in Manitoba.

The railway companies deserve credit for the way in which the people from outside points were assembled in places, and returned to their homes again in safety. There was some complaint that the cars were overcrowded on incoming trains, but this is perhaps inevitable. The housing of the crowds in the city was found to be the most serious problem in connection with the fair, but with the assistance of a great many citizens who threw open their homes this was accomplished fairly well.

WESTERN MANITOBA'S BIG FAIR AT BRANDON.

This fair, managed under the auspices of the Western Agricultural and Arts' Association promises this year to prove the most successful in the history of the association. One of the factors tending to bring this about, is, of course, the general prosperity existing throughout the province, which means that the public have a few extra dollars which they purpose spending in a well earned holiday. Another factor which materially counts in the continued success of this institution, is the energy displayed by those comprising its board of directors, who are indefatigable in promoting the interests of the fair at all times. This year will show a still further improvement in the grounds owned by the association, the numerous trees, shrubs, etc., planted during the past two or three years having grown to a place where they add greatly to the beauty of the place. The exhibits this year will be more numerous than ever and we are informed extra accommodation has been provided for the stock, the present large building being unable to hold the number being entered.

While a large portion of people attending fairs are deeply interested in the exhibits, there are a greater number who go to be amused, and make a holiday of it in every sense. Keeping this in view the directors have spared no pains or expense to make the amusement feature of the programme an excellent and varied one. Early in the season a deputation was appointed to visit the large American cities and secure attractions which would prove novel and entertaining, and this they were successful in doing, having secured some of the best to be seen on the vaudeville stage. The race track is also being put in the pink of condition so that lovers of horse racing will not lose an opportunity of seeing some record time made.

Another pleasing feature of the programme will be the drilling of two hundred cadets, girls and boys, under the command of Capt. Frank Irwin. These young people in their neat and natty uniforms are not only a credit to their instructor, Mr. Irwin, but to Brandon.

Visitors to the fair will have an opportunity of visiting the experimental farm where they will be made welcome by Supt. Bedford, and will also have an opportunity of inspecting the binder twine factory in which so many farmers throughout the country are interested, and see this article going through its various courses of manufacture.

Railway and Traffic Matters.
D. J. McArthur expects to have his contract for grading thirty-five miles of the Yorkton extension of the C. P. R. completed about the middle of next month. The last ten days has been most favorable for the work.

The Liverpool Journal of Commerce is authority for the statement that the Canadian government has invited Messrs. Holt and Shanks and the Liverpool ship owners to make tenders for service of 18 knot passenger steamers between Liverpool, Australia and points on the Pacific, and also for the carrying of commodious and quick passenger steamers on the Atlantic.

A deputation from Rapid City, Man., was introduced to Wm. Mackenzie, the C. N. R. offices, Winnipeg, on Thursday. The deputation asked that the Beaver extension be continued west from Rapid City. Mr. Mackenzie said the question of building a line through this district would be looked into, and if found advisable some arrangement would probably be made for constructing it.

Arrangements have been made by the Brandon Exhibition Association that passengers from Regina and stations west having purchased tickets to the Winnipeg exhibition may stop over at Brandon for the Brandon exhibition by depositing their tickets with the C. P. R. agent at Brandon. Tickets will be extended for return leaving Brandon up to August 8th. Arrangements have also been made with the C. P. R. and the Winnipeg fair manager that direct freight charges on exhibits going to Brandon will be refunded on exactly the same basis as

if goods were shipped to original point of shipment.

Supt. Brown, of the C. F. R., in the course of his talks between the Improvement to the company on the Iowa, between Winnipeg and Port William, between all the tracks between Port William and Winnipeg had other been commenced or paralleled, giving capacity for thirty-five hundred cars, and when completed the former could hold one hundred cars, and the new sidings shorten the distance between two stopping points, and enables the company to handle trains faster. Improvements were being made on elements A and B, which would enable them to unload in the neighborhood of 500 cars a day.

The Horse Market.

In regard to the foreign horse trade, the Chicago Drover's Journal says: There has not been such a stagnation of the English horse market in many years as now expressed. The Foreign imports have closed for the season, and every foreign operator has recalled his buyers. Joseph Hoar, of London, who visited the Chicago market some time ago, predicted an unusually good season for the industry, on account of the increased stopping points, and the coronation ceremonies and which the industry will create. The elaborate preparations made by the British and business companies for handling immense quantities of equipment, and the unexpected postponement of the festivities has left the transportation and transportation companies largely overworked. The extra horses have earned nothing for their feed, and through the consumption of limited demand are much lower than usual. The English market is indifferent and the horses are glutted with horses, for which there is no urgent demand, and which have declined in value fully \$25 to \$40 from original prices. Many parties who ordered horses for use coronation ceremonies, and who had their orders with no service to perform, and larger contractors who purchased in large quantities, and who stand to lose heavily in the transaction, will border on bankruptcy. The trade will border on bankruptcy, and it will take considerable time to recover its normal tone. The strong prices which exist in our domestic wholesale markets are also resulting against the industry, and the exports until valued are improved in Europe.

Labor Notes.

The Canadian Northern Railway Company took action in the courts this week against four men who were charged with assaulting its section hands at Oakville, Man. One of the men was acquitted and two sent up for trial.

Some of the Canadian Northern Railway Company's employees working on the section near Oakville, the Portage-Winnipeg branch, were charged with assaulting a track man. It is said that stones and other articles were used. Some arrests have been made in connection with this trouble.

The carpenters of Calgary went on strike a short time ago and have now succeeded in making the terms desired with their employers. An agreement has been signed under which the men are to be taken to the scale of wages. Upon contracts taken they date the date the new scale will apply.

Tenders.

Tenders will be received by Arthur Stewart, Winnipeg, on or before Monday, the 26th of August, in connection with the erection and completion of a brick and stone chapel, and morgue for the Elmwood Cemetery Company.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned on the 15th day of August, for the excavation and construction of a drain in Ward 4 of the City of Manitoba. The amount of excavating is estimated at 1000 cubic yards, and about 1200 feet of ditches will be required. L. R. Latimer, clerk, Hamilton.

General Manager of Bank of Montreal Visits Clouston to the London Post.

E. S. Clouston, general manager of the Bank of Montreal, has been telling the English people, through the London Morning Post, that Canada is a country of resources. July 1 the Post said:

Mr. Clouston, who is regarded on the other side of the Atlantic as a very cautious critic, began by expressing his opinion that Canada is going to become a really great country, generally speaking, the next year, being very prosperous, and the hand of the commercial barometer still stands at fair. The tide of immigration has risen in with greater volume, ensuring to Western Canada, and indeed to the whole country, more rapid progress in population and industrial prosperity. The natural resources of the country are being steadily developed; the output of coal is increasing, and I think I can say that the iron and steel industry of Sydney will be in full swing by the end of the year. I am confident that Sydney—certainly you may call it Pittsburgh by the time you wish—to become a most important centre of iron and steel manufacture in the immediate future. The "natural propositions" are so good that I cannot see how the American energy can compete successfully with the Sydney. Iron, coal and lime are found in great quantities in the west, and is much nearer to Great Britain and the port of Pittsburgh than the natural propositions in any point on the American coastline. In Pittsburgh the natural propositions are not so favorable, and it is necessary to transport the manufactured product to a distant seaport. Gold and silver mining in British Columbia have now reached the lowest point, and we may now confidently expect a

Canadian company in touch with Canadian railways should have the operation of this fast line of steamships for the following reasons. In the first place, such a corporation understands the requirements of the country better than an English company, and, secondly, the results of the establishment of the Empire of cross-roads for the Pacific, which can be done by such a company."

"Although one of the wealthiest countries in the world has no very rich man. Millionaires are few, and there are no beggars. The wealth of the country is not concentrated in the hands of the few; it is spread over so large an area that nearly every man has a competency. The following figures show how thrifty and prosperous are the members of our community. Placing the population at 5,400,000, as indicated by the census returns of last year, I find the foreign trade per head to have been \$71.50 for the fiscal year ending in 1901 as against \$41 in 1871. The banks have risen about 100 per cent from \$19 per head in 1871, \$27 in 1881, and \$40 in 1891. The latter—most striking evidence of the general prosperity of the people. The amount of money employed in the daily business of Canada is now \$11 per head of population, whereas twenty years ago it did not exceed \$12 in 1881.

"As regards financial matters I may say that recently the stock exchanges of Canada have shown an activity not exemplified in the history of the country, and, though speculation has been rampant, there has been a certain foundation for the advance in the quotations of securities, and it is not entirely the

Production of Silver.

The United States continues to lead in the production of silver, with Mexico second, these two countries yielding about 70 per cent. of the total world's output. The balance of the production was furnished mainly by Australasia, Germany and Bolivia, in order named. The conditions surrounding the extraction of silver from its ores are so markedly different from those attending the production of gold that the increase or decrease in the output of one metal is not necessarily reflected in the other. The great bulk of the silver output of the United States is obtained in the smelting of lead ore, the silver either occurring with the lead ore, or the lead furnace. At the present time fully 85 per cent. of the silver produced in the United States is derived from lead smelting, and with this in mind it is interesting to note that the production of lead in the United States during 1901 was less than 1900. Our production of silver last year was slightly larger (about 90,000 ounces) than in 1900; but owing to the decline in price the value fell a little over \$1,400,000.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

The Apple Crop.

Advises received from Ontario indicate that there will be a good average crop of winter fruit in that province. A party writing from Toronto, on the subject, has made a pretty thorough survey of the principal apple sections of Ontario, east, west and north, and he has come to the conclusion that in some sections there will be more than a

banner crop and produce 650,000 tons, or 175,000 tons larger than 1900, which then stood at its highest. Shipments to Europe, however, were not in proportion, as the 75,000 tons exported were not only 45,000 tons short of the quantity in 1891, but a moiety even then had to be bought back. Every season that has been the case, and North America always proves to sell more than it can spare for European requirements, unless canceling contracts or buying back invariably follows. Directing attention to the United Kingdom imports, it is found that the value of Great Britain show a falling off and for last year went below the average by 57,000 tons. British mills used about the same quantity of Indian seed as in 1900 and took up more of La Plata. India has left for shipment but little more than half the quantity at this date last season, and, with Russia about in the same poor position to export as a year ago, it looks as if the "visible supply" for the next few months must diminish. Prospects of shipments in the late autumn are favorable as regards America. The Argentine also promises to be a free mover again this season, but December is a combination between the Argentine and its crop to the seaboard, and even then only under the most favorable conditions. It is not clear from the foregoing, it would appear that the sources of supply will be restricted for the rest of the calendar year, while from now onward the market may be subject to the customary budget of crop scares.

Imperial Conference.

London, July 23.—Special cable.—The results of the conference between

change for the better. I cannot help thinking that British companies operating in British Columbia should employ managers and experts trained in Canada instead of sending men from this side who are apt to be extravagant. McGill University has one of the best mining schools in the world.

"There are indications that the consolidation of Atlantic steamship lines by an American syndicate compels Canada, in self-defence, to take up the question of a fast Atlantic service of her own. If we wish to secure immigration, retain the traffic properly belonging to our own ports and safeguard the interests of our commerce, we must see that our service, both as regards passengers and freight, is second to none in speed and equipment. This fast service is a vital necessity, both for Canada and for the Empire. The American syndicate, which has at its back the American Transcontinental railway, will inevitably discriminate against Canada in the matter of immigration. Parties of emigrants who in by way of New York have to encounter the persuasions of American immigration and travel agents, and almost invariably some of them are persuaded to change their plans. Canada ought to make a cable car, all or partly, and since the distance between a Canadian port and Galway could be traversed in the same and a half days by a first-rate modern liner, this desirable change could be easily accomplished. Then it is absolutely necessary for the safety of the empire that the lines along which the foodstuffs from the west—the Imperial railway—and from Ontario go to Great Britain should be entirely controlled by Canada. In my opinion a

wild, reckless state of affairs that foreign cities profess to believe exists there. Still there is danger of speculation being carried beyond legitimate bounds, and we have probably reached a point where investors and lenders would do well to look into the intrinsic value of the securities they purchase or accept as collateral. In this connection it may be as well to point out that in the immediate past much American capital was invested in Canadian undertakings, especially in iron and steel propositions. But at the present moment I find that nearly all these undertakings have come under practically the same management. Canada is now in the hands of Canadians and I believe that speculation will never be carried far beyond legitimate bounds. To sum up, the business of Canada in nearly all its branches is in a healthy condition."

Mr. Clouston did not omit to point out that none of the great financial crises of the past ten years affected Canadian business to any appreciable extent. In the case of American crisis Canada has been able to render valuable assistance to her neighbor, and neither the Baring nor the Australasian crisis some years ago affected the Dominion in the slightest degree. Canada's immunity from commercial calamities is largely due to the possession of admirable currency arrangements—a gold standard which is the only one of gold coinage—and of an equally admirable banking system.

The Chicago bull market is a little firmer for short haired stock and sales have been made at 8 1/2 for No. 1 bull.

good average yield. To say his own words, "I have been through orchards that were so laden with winter fruit that their boughs were already beginning to bend beneath it. In others there had a very good springing, but by no means a heavy yield. Some orchards again have very little fruit. But on the whole I am prepared to state that from present appearances we shall have a good average crop. Of course the orchards have yet to run the gauntlet of wind storms; but allowing for windfalls, I am of opinion that we shall have a good yield, and am, rather inclined to say heavy yield."

It is to be hoped that buyers with the experience of former years, will not rush in and make contracts at a certain figure (with the rise) as was too often the case the past winter, of course, they desire to report former losses.—Montreal Trade Bulletin.

Linseed in 1901-1902.

Speaking of the years of linseed crop in 1902, Dornbusch says that although the yield from India proved better than indicated early in the season and was in reality rather larger than in the preceding year, it still fell short of the average. Argentina produced a record linseed crop, and the exports last year increased 160,000 tons on those of 1900. No figures have yet been published regarding the crop from Russia, but judging from the poor shipment total of 55,377 tons, it may safely be assumed that the crop of 1901 was 100,000 tons, or only 25 per cent. of the previous year. The United States of America, like the River Plate, had its

the Canadian ministers and the board of trade have not yet been announced but without doubt the establishment of a fast Atlantic service between Liverpool and Halifax has been proposed. What Liverpool shippers are expecting is a combination between the Canadian and Elder Dempster lines and Sir Christopher Furness, with subsidies offered by the British government, of a Dominion in the proportion of one-third and two-thirds for a service consisting of two 25-knot and two 18-knot steamships. This would take the form of a combination between where it is controlled by the Morgan combination and involved in another form of a subsidy in an old campaign opened by the Houston to cut rates against ring charges to South Africa. No decision of the board has yet been made, but the offer of the British government to pay one-third of the subsidy is an old offer probably will be renewed if fast steamers can be substituted for the present service between Liverpool and Brisbane. Mails can be dispatched from England in Pacific under days via the Canadian-Australia in 26 days. The British government has a joint system of Imperial and colonial subsidies. British officials claim that their chief source of apprehension is the ultimate effect of the adoption of a subsidy system on the scale. They are afraid Americans may consider it a direct challenge to themselves and be inclined to stand behind Morgan and subsidize their own shipping interests with energy.

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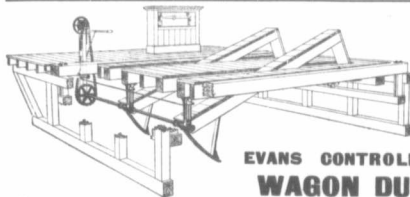
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THE GROCERY TRADE.

The Prune Outlook.

The situation in future prunes continues firm, it being expected that it will be difficult to obtain offerings from the east at any concessions. It is now generally held to be possible to secure 100-1000 prunes at the usual premium. However the regular four-size basis, which is selling at a strong premium since since the excitement occasioned by the late offer of prunes from California on a low basis. The party offering this figure was quickly taken up, and the eight carload lots were sold. The four-size basis has been freely bid, but I have heard of no further sales. It is thought a disposition to be particular about accepting business for futures on the four-size basis where large sums are included, except from very responsible parties. Referring to the prunes and apricot situation on the coast, with special reference to the latter conditions, a prominent packer and local authority writes from San Jose as follows: "From the outlook to October we should hesitate to guarantee more than 50 cent. for the fruit on any order, and then only providing we can obtain our price for the same." It is generally expected that the price will be in full blast over practically the entire California Valley, which is the fruit in most orchards in the Valley the fruit will hardly average as large as in such a valley as the coast, and as to sign of coloring, which will likely throw this fruit into the peach harvest, as it is in the fruit, is also a fall use. The drying facilities of most growers will be taxed to their fullest capacity. —*Minneapolis Commercial Bulletin.*

Grocery Trade Notes.

New crop figs are selling well in Canada according to brokers' reports, notwithstanding the expectation of a poorer price later on.

United Fruit jars are lower in the States. Competition has reduced the price of pints to 85 per cent. of the half gallon, and quarts to 87. A year ago the prices were \$1.50 to \$1.75 and \$0.50 respectively. The price cable from Greece last week indicates that the new crop currents for September shipment at 12 1/2 per cent. A bid of 11s was turned down in the States on a round lot. The market for old crop is stated, has advanced to 10 1/4 per cent.

The prospects for a good crop of tobacco in Connecticut this year are very poor owing to the excessive moisture of the last month is also admitted by all growers that the crop will not reach the average. The plants and under canopy are said to be in even worse condition than those grown in the open.

The condition of the sugar market throughout the world is not favorable to producers. A very large visible supply of raw beet is having a depressing effect and in every country where sugar beets are grown conditions favor a larger crop this year, with the exception of France, from which some complaints are coming.

Reports from cranberry growers of Cape Cod indicate that the crop this year will be larger than for many years. There are hundreds of acres of bogs in bearing condition, and all these are very well seasoned, and give promise of bearing a big crop. Season will begin about the last of next month and continue six weeks. The early berries will be shipped to the markets of the west, which during the past few years have been found to be the best that the growers have ever had.

The price cable from an operator in the on the other side ordered the withdrawal of prices named on the 15th. The advice was that the outlook for the coming crop is not so favorable as was the case when the first reports were made. Reports from the interior of the country figure an output of from 25 per cent to 30 per cent next year. The crop of last season. Estimates in canned loads place the probable total at from 45,000,000, an amount about 67,450 tons last year.—*Montreal Gazette.*

Mail advices from London, on currency, under date of July 5th, says: "The past week has been one of increased sale for all grades of fruit. Owing to continued favorable reports from the growing crop, the inducement to hold Provincial and Amalias has been lessened, and holders of this

class of fruit have shown a disposition to meet buyers' demands. Owing to about is off last week's prices. Offers of fruit are in little prospect of any relief. Samples of fine fruit from the Genoa were on show on Monday, and as usual were sold to a market practically bare of really good fruit. The desirable parcels were quickly snapped up at full price.

DRY GOODS TRADE.

Fall Trade Goods.

The steadily improving conditions of the crops in this province and the large Northwest is having a good effect on fall purchases. The general outlook now is for a considerable increase in the turn-over of the coming season. In view of this expectation, retailers are anxious to stock well prepared for increased business. There are several reasons for placing orders early for this year for the fall and winter trade. The stocks in the hands of the retailers in this province are largely in the hands of the wholesaler, but in buying the wholesaler has, of course, been guided largely by the requirements shown by sales in previous years. With confidence actively in manufacturing, the crop is expected to be down, which increases in the agricultural production of the country. It is only natural to suppose that for a considerable increase for nearly all classes of goods of any previous year. The conditions turn out as good as present conditions warrant orders for a considerable increase in the business of the country. The domestic manufacturers are confident of any expansion in the demand. The outlook for the future, and appear to feel that there is no danger the coming next six months will be a continuation of dead stocks on their hands. They are continuing to refuse to shade prices, and are proud to stand down any offers from the jobbers at even slight increases in the prices. In fact, it is difficult in some instances to see the goods needed for the immediate future. It is not to take into account the factors in the history of the retail facilities and mills when the makers are unable to take into account the position in regard to values as they occupy today. In the case of important stocks there are also strong feelings. Considerable inroads have already been made in stocks of fine imported goods, and many of the retailers who postpone purchases till a later date are unable to make the selections often. It is not to take into account the fact, but when certain really selling difficult to get the goods at present prices, and perhaps impossible to take them into stock.—*Toronto Globe.*

Dry Goods Trade Notes.

The ping pong fan has made its appearance in the payment of the goods, which retail at fifteen and fifteen cents.

Reports from linen centres abroad are to the effect that prices remain very firm and lower quotations are not likely to be made.

A chataine bag, which is a novelty, has been deftly cured on the inner side, so that it will fit over the hip without being too strait.

Flowered ribbons are being used with charming effect on white gowns. These have plain edges, and are of delicate shade of some color to match the flowers.

There is a great variety of white belts on the market this season. They come in silk, satin, elastic fabric, patent leather, and washable material, and the washable variety. They are all good sellers.

The summer dress shield is designed to wear with gowns made of this material and is quite a novelty. It is made of the width of the regular shield and is therefore not less noticeable.

The coming season is expected to surpass all others in the history of the lace trade. The demand, instead of growing less, is steadily increasing and a marked difference is noticed in the quantity and quality of goods used.

At New York indications point to an increase in demand for both wide and narrow ribbons in raffia and satin. No. 1 taffetas in white and light blue shades have been in demand for some time, standing the heavy demand for green. Stocks are reported to be very light.

There are many inquiries for art muslins, but the trading in connection with house decoration. Like similar goods had been a little slower, but now they are selling much better. Other muslins are now better likely to be more in demand.

The spike or ribbon end is a good example of a sudden change in the fancy goods market. At first these goods brought a large profit, but soon they were made up in the cheapest style and prices dropped so that no profit could be made on them. Anyone having a stock of these goods on hand now will find them valueless.

The hot weather which has marked this and last week has had a very beneficial effect on the trade in summer lines of wearing apparel as expected to do with the result of these goods, in both retail and wholesale, being cleaned out. There is apparently plenty of money in the hands of consumers which they do not hesitate to part with whenever the weather suggests a change of garments.

Several lines of linen underwear have been put upon the market in Winnipeg this year. This is the first season these such goods have been obtainable here in a retail way, and they have met with considerable success, giving great satisfaction to wearers. The genuine goods are rather expensive as compared with cotton or wool and for that reason will be slow in finding favor with the average buyer, but these goods are alright when their merits come to be understood, and will not be for purchasers. The price per suit for men's garments is \$1.00 to \$1.50. In addition to the strong underwear material, a number of articles are being offered and have undoubtedly met in the way of coolness and power of absorption. These goods are also obtainable for ladies' wear.

Lumber Trade Notes.

Shingle prices are weaker in the United States, but are still under demand and increasing supply.

Michigan maple has been making some phenomenal advances in price lately. On some lines of lumber the advance amounts to over 100 per cent. Hardwood lumber is still scarce in the United States, and users are all on the lookout for suitable stock. Dry lumber cannot be had in sufficient supply.

Eminent authorities in the door and mill work business are of the opinion that No. 1 or A grade of white pine lumber is practically a thing of the past, says the American Lumberman. A great deal has been made at some of the factories, but this is the lumber in hand at any point from which to make a selection for white pine lumber. The white pine being practically unobtainable. As for No. 2 doors, or the B grade, this is a fair supply on hand at most of the factories and jobbers are likewise well provided for. Just now substitution for clear white pine in the order of the day, and may probably be so to the end of the chapter. The doors made from sugar pine, Idaho and Arizona pine, crystal pine, low pine, red cedar, spruce and other woods of similar color, lightness and quality are being made in large quantities. The consumers are not objecting seriously to the doors made from these other woods, and they will be clear No. 1 white pine door is now a luxury, and that even a straight No.

2 grade is out of the common. No. 3 doors are the only stock in the whole list that really practical.

Hardware Trade Notes.

Common wrenches are expected to advance in price.

Curry combs have been advanced 10 per cent. Canadian factories, and are now from 10 and 10 per cent. to 35 per cent off.

A Toronto company has purchased the iron works of the Ontario Iron and will engage in the manufacture of furnaces, stoves and ranges.

The window glass manufacturers of the United States are making a proposition the formation of a trust which will practically embrace all the glass-making interests of that country. Among other features of the trust's operations will be the control of a new glass blowing machine which will so greatly reduce the cost of making as to preclude the possibility of any independent factories being able to compete with the trust.

The McClary Manufacturing Co. of London, Ontario, has secured a plot of a block of land on which they will construct a series of buildings, where they are employing men will be employed manufacturing their various lines of stoves, etc. The plant will comprise a boiler shop, mounting shop, power house and storage, polishing shop and other smaller buildings. The largest in Canada—200x250 feet, the mounting shop will be 75x300 feet, and the other buildings will be of proportionate dimensions.

The Western Association of Stove Manufacturers of the United States, met in Chicago on July 8, the result of the conference being an advance of 2 per cent. in the prices of all stoves. The reason assigned for this was the sharp advance in the price of pig iron and other raw material. There was a strong feeling among the members of the Metal Worker to advance prices 10 per cent., but it was thought best to arrange a conservatory course, especially as the crop outlook is as yet uncertain. The price of the further advance in pig iron, however, it was not surprising if another 5 per cent. advance were made within the near future.

Live Stock Trade Notes.

During the week ended July 12th there were 1559 head of cattle exported to British markets via Montreal. The number of sheep was 2,138.

James Pierce, cattle rancher, of Leithbridge district, was in Winnipeg this week. While here he closed with Gordon & Ironside the sale of one hundred head of fine cattle, averaging 1,750 pounds each, and said to be one of the finest lots ever brought to Winnipeg.

H. A. Mullins, who is doing business this year for Biter & Williamson, live stock salesman and exporter, of Birkenhead, England, purchased a large herd of cattle, numbering over 2,000 head, from the Biter Bros. of Medicine Hat, on Saturday last. The price paid for these cattle was in the neighborhood of \$100,000. These cattle will be in the finest condition ever shipped at once to the British market. This is the largest single sale of cattle ever made in Medicine Hat. Mr. Mullins has just completed an extensive tour of the western range country and he says that he has never seen the cattle in finer condition at any time of the year than now. He says that the predicted wet weather has kept them poor in some places, but in other places they are now in prime condition and shipping will commence at once.

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STATISTICAL WHEAT REPORT.

GRAIN STOCKS AT LAKE PORTS.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

Stocks of wheat in Canada at principal points of accumulation are reported as follows:

Montreal	277,000
Quebec	3,000
Superior Harbor, Ont.	186,000
London, Ont.	25,000
Sturgeon Falls	80,000
Port Arthur	80,000
Keewatin	1,421,000
Winnipeg	1,400,000
Manitoba elevators	300,000

Total July 12, 1915..... 3,238,500
Total previous week..... 3,429,000
Total of year ago..... 3,500,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS

Total stocks in the United States and Canada east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's July 12, were 7,280,000 bushels, an against 7,376,000 bushels the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 25,977,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on July 1 were 2,735,000 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ending July 10, was 20,015,000 bushels, being an increase of 607,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 27,881,000 bushels, two years ago 24,400,000 bushels, three years ago 20,003,000 bushels, four years ago 18,822,000 bushels, five years ago 16,022,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada east of the Rocky Mountains is 1,718,000 bushels, compared with 631,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 6,400,000 bushels, compared with 2,300,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe available for Europe July 1 in each year for a series of years were as follows—Bradstreet's report:

1905	18,000,000
1906	18,000,000
1907	18,000,000
1908	18,000,000
1909	18,000,000
1910	18,000,000
1911	18,000,000
1912	18,000,000
1913	18,000,000
1914	18,000,000
1915	18,000,000

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, June 1, to date, compared with the same period of last year.

	This Crop.	Last Crop.
Minneapolis	87,718,288	78,402,655
Chicago	186,980,160	149,727,577
St. Louis	42,130,620	38,875,741
Kansas City	39,408,425	40,622,641
Total	176,381,493	157,628,714

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1915, to date, compared with the same period of last year.

	This Crop.	Last Crop.
Toledo	490,217	370,371
Detroit	171,940	125,251
St. Louis	2,716,000	3,340,000
Kansas City	1,410,000	2,250,200
Total	4,888,157	6,441,782

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this date last year:

Wheat—Cash No. 1 hard wheat closed 50c in store Port William.

Flour—Jobbing price per sack: Patent.

Best bakers, B. 50c.

Millstuf—Bran, 41.50 per ton; shorts, 39.00.

Barley—None offering.

Wheat—Carlots, domestic per bushel of 56 lbs for No. 3 corn.

Wheat—Carlots on track, 47@48c per bushel.

Butter—Dairy, 30@32c per pound, common basis, for best grade creamery.

10@11 for fresh makes at factories.

Wheat—New, No. 1 B, 80c.

10@11c—13c net for fresh stock.

Wheat—New, No. 1 B, per bushel.

Dressed Montana, 60@62c for city dressed; country, 54c under these figures; 50c for mutton, fresh, 50@51c; hog-

50@51c; poultry—Dressed, chickens, 25c each.

10@15c—No. 1 hides, 55c per lb.

10@15c—No. 2 hides, 50c per lb.

10@15c—No. 3 hides, 45c per lb.

10@15c—No. 4 hides, 40c per lb.

10@15c—No. 5 hides, 35c per lb.

10@15c—No. 6 hides, 30c per lb.

10@15c—No. 7 hides, 25c per lb.

10@15c—No. 8 hides, 20c per lb.

10@15c—No. 9 hides, 15c per lb.

10@15c—No. 10 hides, 10c per lb.

10@15c—No. 11 hides, 5c per lb.

10@15c—No. 12 hides, 0c per lb.

10@15c—No. 13 hides, 0c per lb.

Fort William.

Stocks of grain in c. p. r. elevators at Fort William on Monday, the 21st July, were as follows:

Wheat—1 hard, 120,380 bushels; No. 1 northern, 238,382 bushels; No. 2 northern, 112,230 bushels; No. 3 no. h., 34,000 bushels; other grades, 22,406 bushels; making the total of wheat 577,560 bushels.
Oats—No. 2 white, 54,500.
Barley—No. 2, 33 bushels.

Receipts of wheat at Fort William during the week amounted to 257,394 bushels, and shipments to 257,434 bushels. Receipts of oats were 69,166 bushels, and shipments 51,111 bushels.

Port Arthur.

Stocks in store at King's elevator, Port Arthur, on the 21st July were:

Wheat—No. 1 northern, 539 bushels; No. 2 northern, 142 bushels; other grades, 131,059 bushels; total, 131,540 bushels.
Oats—No. 2 white, 1,342 bushels; mixed, 4,148 bushels; total, 6,991 bushels.

Receipts of wheat at this elevator during the week were 41,933 bushels, and shipments, 24,549 bushels.

Stocks of grain in store at the Canadian Northern elevator at Port Arthur on the 21st July were as follows:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 15,035 bushels; No. 1 northern, 142 bushels; No. 2 northern, 95,737 bushels; No. 3 northern, 3,570 bushels, making a total of 151,884 bushels.
Oats—Feed, white, 10,316 bushels.

Receipts of wheat for the week, 60,616 bushels; shipped during the week, 32,292 bushels.

Manitoba Wheat Stocks.

There were 850,130 bushels of wheat in store at Port William as of July 19 on July 19. A year ago stock in store at Port William were 1,241,000 bushels, two years ago 1,584,000 bushels. Stocks in store at Port William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and other points are estimated approximately at 2,721,000 bushels, compared with 2,035,000 a year ago, 3,101,000 bushels two years ago, and 4,840,000 bushels three years ago.

Grain and Milling Notes.

The American Agriculturist makes its 1st June condition of wheat maintained, and estimates winter crop minimum 425,000,000.

M. H. Flew is likely to build a flour mill at Moosomin, Assa., as the town is favorably disposed toward an offer which he has made.

Leitch Bros., of Oak Lake, are making improvements in their elevator plant at Oak Lake which will increase its efficiency. It is also being shelled with iron on the outside.

The firm of McLaughlin & Ellis, of Minneapolis, grain dealers and elevator men, have commenced business in Winnipeg and are established in the grain elevator building.

The Canadian Northern Railway Company has been having differences of opinion with the contractor who is building its new elevator at Port Arthur and on Tuesday took possession of the work under authority of a clause in the contract.

A Solzgrith, Man., correspondent says: Quite a lot of grain is coming in, particularly oats. Quite a lot of wheat is in the district yet. The town wants another elevator badly. It is big one some company will build a good house for this year's crop.

Price Current, in its last weekly crop summary said: Wheat threshing and cleaning operations are somewhat better in the Ohio valley. Quality is mostly good east of the Mississippi, much poorer west. Corn has improved, and very good wheat is offered freely.

Recent cables from Broomhall read as follows: "The English harvest will commence the first week in August. The Hungarian official crop report states that wheat prospects are highly satisfactory, and estimates this year's crop at 200,000,000 bushels, or 32,000,000 more than the previous year. Other crops will also be somewhat larger than a year ago."

Several hundred square miles of corn land along the Mississippi River, in the states of Missouri and Illinois, became flooded with water last week and the crops are ruined. The flood ex-

tends from Keokuk to Louisiana. Levees everywhere have been broken by the pressure of water, only the strongest being left standing. These need constant watching. The damage to property is estimated to exceed \$50,000,000.

Trade Review.

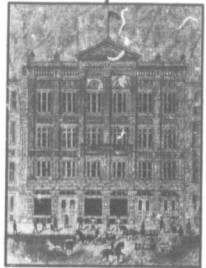
Bradstreet's trade review for the current weeks says: A further improvement is, however, noticed in shoes and leathers, and wool is again higher in price despite manufacturing hold back buying. Among the industries iron and steel are easily first in activity, and relief from the so-called pig iron famine is sought in freer importations. The fruit season is now in full swing, and sugar consumption is at its full, and promise to be very heavy. It has been a week of new records, in prices generally. Anthracite coal, stove sizes, has reached the pinnacle; produce is still high despite flattering crop prospects; oats have suffered the predicted squeeze, and reached the price of a generation; range cattle and Texas hides have surpassed all records, and fine tobaccos have reached the best on record.

British Live Stock Markets.

London, July 21.—The strong feeling which developed in the market for cattle a week ago, has been fully maintained, and prices have secured a further advance with a firm trade doing. Choice American steers sold at 16½c, and choice Canadians at 15c. The trade in sheep was fair, but prices showed the change compared with a week ago, selling at 11½c.

Liverpool, July 21.—The tone of this market has been strong and prices for Canadian cattle show an advance of ½c, and sheep 1c per pound, as compared with a week ago. Choice Canadian cattle sold at 15½c, and sheep a 12c.

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Joax—How was that?
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Montreal, July 24.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy's maid-to-day the Canadian Pacific have tendered for a trans-Atlantic line of steamships between Great Britain and the companies tender is engaging the consideration of the Imperial and Canadian governments and forms part of the business of the conference between the secretary of state for the colonies and the Canadian statesmen now in England. If successful the company were in a position to provide a service which would prove satisfactory to the Canadian people. The C. P. R. could not enter into details with respect to the offer made, but in the course of the next few days further details will be forthcoming.

MANITOBA.

Jas. Dandy has opened a grocery store at Medina.

J. E. Brown has bought Robinson's grocery business at Armaud.

B. Zimmerman, of Winnipeg, will open a general store at Grand View.

D. G. Horn has disposed of his tailoring business at Deloraine to E. J. Maynard.

Notice is given of application for incorporation by J. A. Ross & E. Merser Elevator Company, of Elva, Man.

A. Ross & Co. are building an addition to their store at Minota and intend putting in a stock exchange building.

A by-law to raise \$8,000 for a new iron bridge at Souris was voted on last week and carried a small majority.

E. J. O'Sullivan is in Winnipeg for the purpose of opening a new business college here. He will also open an Brandon and Portage la Prairie.

S. E. Narovlansky, clothing and millinery furnishings, Winnipeg, has sold his stock to J. Finkeltine. He concentrates entirely the wholesale trade.

W. H. McWilliam & Co. has opened for business in Winnipeg and has taken office in the grain exchange building.

Other, Hammond & Nanton, financial agents, Winnipeg, have taken in H. W. Nanton as a partner. He has been connected with the firm's land development.

Up to date 675 building permits have been issued this year in Winnipeg against 529 for the same period last year. The aggregate cost of this year's building is \$1,531,100 for last year, the value for the same period was \$1,218,982.

The Portage la Prairie exhibition which was held last week drew forth an excellent display of horses and cattle. Pigs and sheep were no prominent.

Poultry were only fairly well exhibited. The exhibit of grains and grasses was small.

A. M. Stewart, late of the firm of Jones & Stewart, and Geo. A. McEwen, of the McEwen Bros. Lumber Machine Co., have entered into partnership for the purpose of carrying on a wholesale implement business in Winnipeg. The new firm will be known by the name of Stewart & McEwen.

The plans for the four-story brick elevator warehouse, to be erected on Portage avenue east of the Emerson House Manufacturing Co., Ltd., are complete. The building will be 114-20 feet. The ground floor is fitted up for offices, vault, sample and shipping rooms, all with metal ceilings.

The second, third and fourth floors are for the third and fourth stories for work rooms. Fire escapes, etc., and necessary plumbing and also steam heating apparatus.

At the quarterly meeting of the Brandon board of trade held last week Vice-president Inglis was in the chair.

Several important communications, one from the Minnesota chamber of commerce requesting a meeting to cooperate in the holding of a convention for the purpose of discussing reciprocity between the United States and Canada; also to nominate delegates in case of approval. Mr. Campbell stated that several interviews with members of the board he had held and that the attitude of the United States, regarding its laws regarding Canada, would have to change before any action was possible; otherwise the Brandon board was quite prepared to take any steps that would result beneficially. A motion was passed asking the board to send a small representation in the trade papers of eastern Canada, and the eastern and western newspapers, with a view to having correspondence with firms and capitalists, who are looking for good opportunities, and to make it a good position to offer inducements to manufacturers.

ASSINIBOIA.

G. S. Scott is opening up a bakery at Grenfell.

M. E. Stevenson, merchant tailor, Medicine Hat, is moving his stock to Red Deer, Alta.

Messrs. Goldsmith have bought out the general store business of R. A. Gland, at Grenfell.

A. C. Hawthorne has disposed of his

furniture business at Medicine Hat, to K. Leckhart, formerly of Roseland, B. C.

Nofelid & Schuster, general merchandise, Qu'Appelle, have dissolved partnership, and have been succeeded by Schuster & Bonneau.

C. Hill has purchased the crockery and glass business at Medicine Hat, and is starting a yard and make. The clay has been tested and will be put in operation at once.

ALBERTA.

J. Johnson has purchased the lumber business of W. Puffer, of Lacombe.

A man who has been conducting a general store business in Wetaskiwin, Alta., under the name of Lawrence, U. S. authorities, on the charge of committing frauds involving over \$100,000, at Dutton, Wis., is in jail at Calgary awaiting preliminary proceedings.

A trader of Lesser Slave Lake arrived in Edmonton recently from the north by way of Athabasca Landing, and with him in trade of fur, a collection of the furs in his collection will be of interest. 1,031 martlet, 242 beaver, 160 lynx, 100 marten, 100 muskrat, 12 cross foxes, 15 red fox, 15 silver fox, 12 wolves, 20 skunk, 133 ermine, 12 Beaver, 10 otter, 7,100 rats, 18 pounds of catamount.

SASKATCHEWAN.

Two visitors from Ontario have been looking into the prospect of a pork factory at Prince Albert and it is said are well pleased with the prospects.

The town council of Prince Albert is submitting a by-law to the people for the purpose of raising \$15,000, with which to put in a floodlight system of electric light. The service already in use is not satisfactory. A by-law will also be put in effect to put in a telephone system and also thoroughly drain the town.

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO.

A. A. Hunt, general merchant, Wabigoon, is going out of business and is selling off his stock retail.

Daring, Ontario, closed June 30, 1912, the customs collections at Port Arthur totalled \$257,900 as against \$240,000 for the same period last year.

The by-law to grant special privileges to the Copp Bros. in return for the construction of a new wharf at Port William was carried by the ratepayers on Wednesday.

The Dominion minister of public works, while visiting Port William and Port Arthur this week promised that large improvements in the harbors of these places will be made. The government will make Port William equal to any United States port on the lakes for convenience.

Work on the new municipal telephone system of Port Arthur and Wabigoon, which is being completed, and it is expected the town will be able to give a service by Sept. 15 or a week or two later.

The business lines will be in order before the meeting starts to work.

A meeting of the ratepayers for Port William was held in the town hall on the 19th to discuss the Copp foundry by-law, which was to be submitted to voters on Wednesday, 25th inst.

The feature of the meeting was the unanimity of feeling in favor of the by-law, not a dissenting voice being raised against the measure.

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Geo. Craig, of the Geo. Craig Co., Limited, on Monday last, on an extensive purchasing trip. While away he will visit England, Scotland, Ireland, France, and Germany. This will be his first trip to France and Germany. On his way Mr. Craig will visit Toronto and New York. He will be away about two months and a half.

H. G. Middleton, wholesale boots and shoes, Winnipeg, has returned from an eastern trip where he visited several of the leading factories for the purpose of inspecting the newest and the most up-to-date styles of goods suitable for western business.

He will continue to handle the Berlin trade and the keesest interest in carloads of this line while in the east, for the fall trade.

H. Cockshutt, of the Cockshutt Plow Company, Bradford, Ont., was in the city this week attending the exhibition. This company found its present quarters on Princess street inadequate to the demands of increasing business, and will erect a warehouse of its own. This building, which will be of brick and stone of \$50,000, in height. The company hopes to rush construction so as to be able to set in the new building by Jan. 1, 1913.

The increase in the cockshutt business has necessitated the erecting of new \$150,000 factory at Bradford, which is now equipped with all the latest machinery.

Hon. Thos. Greenway returned this week from a trip to Toronto and other eastern points. In the course of an interview with a press representative, he expressed surprise that the C. P. R. has not increased its facilities for handling grain at Fort William, "last year," said Mr. Greenway, "the harvest was slow owing to the wet weather, yet a blockade occurred and the farmers lost heavily. If Manitoba gets the construction of a new line the conditions would be much worse, as could be imagined. The Canadian Northern, which was going to solve the transportation question, would afford little relief this year. Mr. Greenway believed no worse block would be dealt Manitoba than a repetition of last year's handling of the crops, and he saw nothing to help last year's condition."

D. McNeill, second vice-president and general manager of the C. P. R. and Robt. Kerr, passenger traffic manager, were in Winnipeg on Saturday and Sunday last, on a tour of inspection. They left again on Sunday for the west. While here Mr. McNeill stated that he had nothing new to say, yet been arrived at will regard to the proposed changes in the Winnipeg shops and yards. The expense of these changes when they are made will, he said, be large. On the subway question he had nothing new to say. On the hotel question he said that the company is not in the hotel business, and would much prefer to see a private party build the much needed hotel. Speak of the preparations for handling the coming crop. Mr. McNeill stated that already 8,000 cars have been ordered, and the construction of the road, and the work will be ready by harvest time. Over 100 new locusts will also be ready for work by that time. At the end of navigation the elevator capacity at the city front will be increased to 8,500,000 bushels. By that time the two elevators now in course of construction will be completed. They are heavy bonds out to be forfeited if they are not. The company can look

after all the wheat that comes until navigation closes.

F. W. Thompson, of the Ogilvie Flour Mills company, arrived in Winnipeg on Saturday from Montreal, on a business trip. His purpose in coming west, at this time was partly to attend the Winnipeg exhibition, and partly to have a look at the crops, the condition of which is of great importance to his company. Mr. Thompson, expressed himself as looking for a beneficial harvest of wheat in the west. In the course of an interview on this and other subjects, he said, "I may say that throughout the east the feeling is exhibiting that the prosperity of the whole Dominion of Canada depends largely in the Canadian North-west, and the keenest interest is manifested in the daily reports concerning the present crop. Before leaving Montreal I gave instructions with the erection of a four warehouse with a storage capacity of 75,000 barrels on a portion of the site of the Gould property recently acquired by my company. This will be the largest flour warehouse on the continent in connection with an individual milling plant. We have under consideration a considerable expansion of our western business, in addition to the twenty-two elevators under construction, of which eight are already completed." Mr. Thompson will probably take a western trip before returning to Montreal.

The American Hardware Corporation, of New Britain, Conn., announced the action of A. X. Abbe, of New Britain, as purchasing agent.

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THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Saturday, July 26.

This has been exhibition week, and business has been obscured to a large extent by social features of various kinds. Many country merchants and business men of various classes have been in town and have divided their time between calling upon their business friends here and doing business. Not very much buying has been done by these visitors unless in special lines, which are not presented to them by travellers, but they have become better acquainted with the people with whom they do business and have paved the way for business later on. Values, so far as we have been able to study them under the difficulties which the exhibition created, appear to be very steady. In other markets there have been no material changes in any line and nothing has occurred to change prices locally. The excellent weather conditions which have characterized this month add greatly to the crop prospects, and this in turn is stimulating business in every direction.

WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, July 26.

(All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually required, and are subject to the usual reductions on large quantities and to cash discounts.)

BUILDING MATERIAL.

Fine weather has greatly improved the demand for building material—unchanged as follows: Veneer—Rubbed stone, \$4.00 per cord; footings, \$5.50 per cord; brick, \$1.25 per cubic yard; brick, kiln run, \$0.90 per thousand; veneer, \$11 per thousand, white line, 15¢ per bushel; grey line, 17¢ per bushel.

BINDER TWINE.

There is considerable pressure to buy twine now in view of the splendid crop prospects and apparent shortage of twine. Prices, but at the last week's range. Sisal and standard, 13½¢ per pound; manilla, 50¢ foot, 14¢; manilla, 60¢ foot, 15½¢; pure manilla, 17½¢, all f.o.b., Winnipeg. Five ton lots of both sisal and manilla are held at ¼¢ less than these figures, and car lots at ¼¢ less, fall terms.

DRY GOODS.

The dry goods houses have been very busy this week with callers and every effort has been made to give them a good time. Stocks in the city have been pretty fully examined and some buying has resulted. Prices for staples hold firm and there are no special features to note.

FISH.

There is a good demand for fish, and prices remain unchanged, as follows: Whitefish, 7¢ per lb.; perch, 4¢ per lb.; pike, 2½¢; trout, 10¢; salmon, 12½¢; halibut, 11¢; fresh cod, 7¢ per lb.; fresh haddock, 8¢; Arctic herring, 15¢ per doz.; Labrador herring, 10¢ per doz.; salt mackerel, \$1.80 per hhd.; salt herring, \$1.00; Doby chucks, 18¢ per lb.; boneless fish, 5½¢ lb.

GREEN FRUITS.

A very large city trade has been done this week, owing to presence of exhibition visitors. Bananas were expected to be scarce, but at the last moment a supply was secured by one house, and this has kept the market quiet. Barrel apples from Nebraska are now in the market, and selling at \$7.50 per barrel. Apples are good, and are selling well. Quinces are over for the season. Lower prices may be looked for on apples and quinces Monday. We quote prices here as follows: Oranges, Valencia, 85¢ to 81¢ per case; Florida, 85¢ per case; California lemons, 64¢ per case; banana, \$2.75 to \$3 per bunch; watermelons, 10¢ per doz.; cantaloupe, \$3.50 per dozen; peaches, \$1.50 per bush; plums, \$1.75 per box; Tragedy blue prunes, \$1.75 per bush; Arctic tario red currants, \$2; cocoonuts, 90¢ per dozen; dates, in one pound

packages, 5½¢. Vegetables—New potatoes, 2½¢ per sack; tomatoes, four basket crates, \$1.25; Egyptian onion sacks, 40¢; corn, 4½¢ in five sack lots; cucumbers, per dozen, 75¢; new celery, per dozen bunches, 50¢; cauliflower, 14¢ in 100-bunch lots, in glasses, \$2.25 per dozen; apple cider, per gallon, 35¢; Imperial, per gallon, \$1.25; new sugar, \$12.50 per cwt. in half-gallon tins, \$6.50; quarts, \$3.00.

GROCERIES.

Trade has been good throughout the week, and changes in prices are noted in prices. Jobbers have been busy entertaining callers. It is understood that prices on other sack commodities are being fixed, and will be announced in a few days. Sugars are steady. Tea continues quiet, and offerings are without special feature. A list of Winnipeg prices will be found on another page.

HARDWARE AND PAINTS.

Business in these lines shows none of the activity which has marked recent months. Jobbers are pressed to their limit on sales. This week they have also had to take care of a large number of visitors. Prices for building materials are up, and are steady. A list of Winnipeg jobbing prices is given on another page.

IMPLEMENTS.

The rush of fall shipping is now on, and wholesale houses are very busy. Mowers, rakes, plows, wagons, binders, and twine are going out rapidly. A large number of country dealers and farmers have called at local warehouses this week.

RAW FURS.

We quote: Badger, prime, 25¢ to \$1; bear, black, \$30 to \$15; brown, lion, \$40 to \$20; marten, \$15 to \$25; beaver, small, \$1.50 to \$3; beaver, middling, \$3 to \$5; beaver, large, \$5 to \$10; muskrat, \$1 to \$2; silver, \$25 to \$150; fox, cross, \$5 to \$15; red, \$10 to \$150; lynx, \$2 to \$5; marten, \$10 to \$20; fisher, \$10 to \$20; marten, large, brown, \$4.50 to \$7; marten, large, light blue, \$1.50 to \$5; mink, \$1 to \$5; otter, \$1 to \$2; muskash, spring, 4 to 9¢; otter, \$5 to \$12; skunk, 25¢ to \$1.25; white, 25¢ to \$1.25; mink, \$1 to \$5; 50¢ to \$1.50; wolferine, \$2 to \$5. The above prices are those obtained in Winnipeg, and are subject to change according to their value, in proportion to the above quotations.

SCRAP.

We quote: No. 1 cast iron, free from wrought and malleable, \$13 to \$14 per ton; No. 2, \$3 to \$5 per ton; wrought iron scrap, \$5 per ton; heavy copper, 7¢ per pound; red brass, heavy, 7½¢ per pound; light brass, 5 to 6¢ per pound; lead pipe or tea lead, 2 to 2½¢ per pound; rags, cotton mixed, 70¢ per 100 lbs.; rubber, free from rivets, buckles and articles, 4½¢ per pound; zinc scrap, 1¢ per pound; copper, clean, dry, 10¢ per bushel, \$6 per ton; bottles, quarts, 25¢ per dozen; pints, 15¢ per dozen.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—It has been an extremely quiet week in the wheat markets, with a tendency to moderately lower prices. In the American speculative markets there has been a slight decline, but quiet and dull, and confined to the professional element. It is a narrow market, with not so much interest in it on the part of the investing public. The price changes on the week show a tendency to ½¢ to 1¢ per bushel. Favorable weather from Nebraska has assisted the program of threshing and hauling to market of the winter wheat, with the result that the crop that the harvesting. It is estimated that the harvest of the winter wheat in the States is practically finished, and that the crop is being engaged. In the Modern Milling, the crop is threshing out fully up to expectations and the crop is good, and farmers are selling freely. Reports from California say that threshing is progressing faster than over that state and that the yield is good. The winter wheat has been quiet and easy and show a tendency to follow the declines on this side more readily than the winter wheat. The ropan crop continue to make a favorable showing generally, but owing

to previous reserves being used up France is likely to import anywhere between 20,000,000 bushels and 40,000,000 bushels of the crop. It is estimated as being as large as last year's crop, and requirements and reserves must be replenished to some extent. Italy is also expected to import a large quantity of wheat, and last year with a rather better home crop she imported 40,000,000 bushels. The wheat of Argentina will be practically out of the export business until they have their new crop ready for export in early February, so that the weight of the demand for European requirements will be heavily on America during the next five months. In last week's review we drew attention to the smallness of the visible reserve stocks compared with what they have been during recent years, and there is only one conclusion to be drawn from the situation, viz., that although foreign demand is disappearing, and actual exports small at the present time there will be surely a reaction to active demand and high prices in the next few weeks. American visible supply increased 90,000 bushels against an increase of 250,000 bushels against a decrease of 288,000 bushels same week last year. The world's shipments were 1,600,000 bushels against 7,701,000 bushels the previous week and 7,014,000 bushels last year. The visible supply was according to Bradstreet's, decreased 1,928,000 bushels last week against a decrease of 2,500,000 bushels against a decrease of 654,000 bushels same week last year.

The local market has been quiet but firm all week with a very small increase doing. In the forefront of the week the feeling was somewhat stronger. While buyers were scarce holders were not disposed to reduce price in order to sell off on Wednesday 1 hard was worth 70½¢, 1 northern 70¢ and 2 northern 72½¢ spot or July delivery was \$1.84, 80½¢. With the earlier markets outside the feeling here is easier too and yesterday's market was generally the same as they were a week ago, viz., 1 hard 70½¢, 1 northern 73½¢ and 2 northern 75½¢ in accounts. On July 1st and 1st hard 70½¢ and 2 northern 72½¢.

LOUR—Demand is light and the market is quiet. The only variety is Hungarian, per sack of 98 lbs., \$2.00; Glenora Patent, \$1.90; Alberta, \$1.80; and \$1.80, \$1.85, \$1.85.

MILLED—The market here is steady with a good demand. We quote: Bran, in bulk, 50¢ per ton; delivered to the trade; shorts, \$17 per ton, subject to usual trade discounts. FEED—Oats—The market is quiet with \$28 per ton; barley chop, \$24; mixed barley and oats, \$30; chop screenings, \$14; oat cake, \$25 per ton.

OATS—The market for oats is quiet. Quite a few small lots are offering at country points, and there are plenty of oats in sight to keep the market going until the new crop is ready. No. 1 hard, 31¢ to 34¢; No. 2, 29¢ to 31¢; No. 3, 27¢ to 29¢; No. 4, 25¢ to 27¢; No. 5, 23¢ to 25¢; No. 6, 21¢ to 23¢; No. 7, 19¢ to 21¢; No. 8, 17¢ to 19¢; No. 9, 15¢ to 17¢; No. 10, 13¢ to 15¢; No. 11, 11¢ to 13¢; No. 12, 9¢ to 11¢; No. 13, 7¢ to 9¢; No. 14, 5¢ to 7¢; No. 15, 3¢ to 5¢; No. 16, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 17, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 18, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 19, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 20, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 21, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 22, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 23, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 24, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 25, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 26, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 27, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 28, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 29, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 30, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 31, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 32, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 33, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 34, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 35, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 36, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 37, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 38, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 39, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 40, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 41, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 42, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 43, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 44, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 45, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 46, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 47, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 48, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 49, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 50, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 51, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 52, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 53, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 54, 1¢ to 3¢; No. 55, 1¢ to 3¢; 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Vancouver, July 21. The sockeye run has commenced, but it is only the advance guard, as it were, that have reached the Fraser. The sock on the northern rivers is fully up to expectations and the otter and muskrat traps are securing a fair number of fish. Last year a strike which was very injurious to the industry, was organized by the white fishermen. The Japs, however, refused to be bound by the whites and broke the back of the strike by going out in a body to the fishing grounds. This year things have been reversed. The Japs taking a leaf out of the white man's book refused to fish at present prices, while the whites have acceded to the cannery's demands. The Indians also refuse to fish. They claim that the sliding scale of prices offered does not work to the advantage of the fisherman and they demand a flat rate. The cannery claim to have no other fishermen on the river to answer their purposes for the season. Fryer's produce market at New Westminster was fairly active this week although many ranchers were busy buying. There was much activity in fruit sales. Poultry and eggs were also in good demand. Meats were busy and veal was dearer. Some fine new season French and butter beans found ready buyers.

Merchandise claim that business is equally good if not better than at this time last year. Jobbers also report a good trade with money fairly easy. Some of the canneries have advanced the price of butter 5 cents while others have not altered the price. In Victoria creamery is cheaper than in Vancouver. An agreement was made to advance the price in Victoria. The cokes were rather heavy, however, and were only made for immediate consumption, and when Manitoba butter is available for the local article remained on the shelf. Dealers became frightened at this and the price was reduced to 25 cents. In Vancouver the brand of several creameries is selling for 30 cents retail.

The lumber industry is very active. The British Columbia lumber mills, owing by their association with the coast combine, are getting good prices for lumber and are exceedingly busy. They are prepared to cut more timber in several years. The shingle mills continue to have more orders than they can fill owing to the scarcity of cedar, while several firms are striving to secure a larger limit preparatory to erecting mills here. The feature in the lumber business this week was the consideration by the council of the application of H. G. Ross for a portion of the foreshore of coal harbor, to establish a warehouse for logs, for the convenience of the sawmills and shinglemen. As usual the council turned the proposition for no reason whatever, as the consequence of the objections were interference with pleasure boating and private rights and spoliation of scenery. The Ross objection was based on all objections taken by entangling the boom and leaving ample room for the passage of pleasure boats and by pleasure boating. The council was stubborn. This another enterprise which tended to make Vancouver a business centre has been discouraged by the civic fathers. There is a mill revival in mining and faith in the coal mines is being revived. A strong New York firm is opening mines in Shonal Bay. If their operations are successful coal mines will boom again.

Prices at Vancouver.

Local creamery Milk, 4c per lb. Butter, other grades remain same. Long and short grades 4c. Other grades remain unchanged. Flour—National Mills cheap, \$2 per 100 lb. bran, \$2; shorts, \$2; oil cake meal, \$2. Flour, 100 lb. Vancouver, including duty paid on imported. WHEAT—Manitoba, \$2.00 per ton; Oregon wheat, \$2.00 per ton; OATS—\$2.00 per ton; RYE—Manitoba, 10c per bushel; strong bakers', \$1.25; Oregon, \$1.25 per barrel; Kimberly, \$1.25.

HAY—Fraser River valley, \$14.00 per ton; straw, \$6.00 per ton. MEAL—Boiled extra, 90lb sack, \$3.00; 120 lb sack, \$3.25. 2 1/2 bush, \$3.00; 10b sack, \$2.75. 2 1/2 bush, \$3.00; 10b sack, \$2.75. 2 1/2 bush, \$3.00; 10b sack, \$2.75.

POLTRY—No stocks. DRESSED MEATS—Beef, \$4.50; mutton, \$4.50; pork, \$4.50. CURED MEATS—Hams 100 lb, \$10.00; 125 lb, \$10.50; 150 lb, \$11.00.

LARD—100 lb, \$10.00; 125 lb, \$10.50; 150 lb, \$11.00. BUTTER—Local creamery, \$5; Manitoba, 100 lb, \$5.00; 125 lb, \$5.25; 150 lb, \$5.50. OREGON—Ontario cheese, 100 lb, \$10.00; 125 lb, \$10.50; 150 lb, \$11.00.

FISH—Founders, 4c; smelts, 4c; sea 4c; salmon, 8c; cod, 6c per lb; crab, 8c; halibut, 10c; smoked salmon, 10c; smoked haddock, 10c per lb.

GREEN FRUIT—Lemons, \$3.75 per 100; oranges, \$4.00 per 100; peaches, \$4.00 per 100; apricots, \$4.00 per 100; plums, \$4.00 per 100; watermelons, \$5.00.

GRAIN—Wheat, 100 lb, \$2.00; 125 lb, \$2.25; 150 lb, \$2.50. Barley, 100 lb, \$1.50; 125 lb, \$1.75; 150 lb, \$2.00.

HARDWARE—Bar iron, base, \$2.00; horse shoe nails, discount 50 and 10c per 100; wire, 100 lb, \$1.50; 125 lb, \$1.75; 150 lb, \$2.00.

BRITISH COLUMBIA BUSINESS NOTES. Last week the C. P. R. inaugurated freight traffic over the new Vancouver & Lulu Island branch.

KOLA WINE TONIC

Made from Kola, Celery and Pepsin.

The Hygiene Kola Co. are receiving the following kinds of testimonials every day. This is a sample of them, copied from the Winnipeg Telegram: "Most people who do not know where to get Killaer's Kola Tonic Wine, I can tell you. I have been using it for some time and it has done me a great deal of good. I have been suffering from indigestion and stomach troubles, but after using almost every remedy known to man, has been brought back to health by the use of this Kola Tonic Wine." In referring to his remarkable recovery he writes as follows:

Dear Sir—Killaer, May 29, 1902. Jos. Red, Esq., Manager Kola Tonic Wine Co., Winnipeg, Minn. Dear Sir—It might be of interest to you to learn that I have been completely cured of stomach troubles and asthma by the use of Kola Tonic Wine. I had been six months ago I had become a physical wreck. Travellers to our hotel and others said I could not live two months. In vain I had tried diet and medicine and almost every patent medicine under the sun, but to no avail. My friends had given me all the best medicine only 80 pounds. But every dark cloud has its silver lining. We placed in stock a quantity of Kola Tonic Wine. I commenced to use it and in a very short time noticed a marked improvement in my condition. Thanks to Kola Wine I am now a healthy man again, and eat any sort of food I wish. Your Kola Wine is the only one I have used. We have already sold 10 cases, and would not consider our liquor stock complete without it. It is the most thoroughly honest medicine that I have used and without can procure. Wishing you a continuance of the same success, which is Kola Wine merits, I am

Yours sincerely yours,

RICHARD J. COLEMAN.

The white and Indian fishermen of the Fraser river have signed a contract with cannery for the present season. This removes all danger of trouble. The base price per fish is 11c. The British Columbia Packers' Association has completed the purchase of the Columbia Packing Company's establishments at West Kelowna. The plant and equipment, both for ordinary canning and winter packing, is one of the largest and most complete on the Fraser river.

The Tourist Association of Victoria, a voluntary organization of business men and citizens, which has for its purpose the making known of the attractions of Victoria and Vancouver island as a tourist and health resort, has issued a handsomely printed and illustrated booklet descriptive of these places, which is being distributed gratis to all enquirers.

A Vancouver correspondent says:—The number of lumber mills around the city is increasing to such an extent that it is considered desirable to establish a log market here to facilitate both loggers and millmen in the sale and purchase of logs. A company is now applying for extensive water rights in the harbor for the purpose of establishing a permanent log storage boom.

A wire from Victoria, on July 17, said: Edna Wallace Hopper is here with her attorney, Judge Coyne, of New York to start action against Hon. James Dunsmuir, for her mother's share of the Dunsmuir estate, her mother having married Alexander Dunsmuir, the younger brother of James. At the time of Mrs. Dunsmuir's death, Alexander made a settlement for her, allowing her an annuity. Miss Hopper claims that at the time this agreement was made, her mother was not in her right mind, and wishes to have the agreement set aside, and have Alexander Dunsmuir's share of the estate awarded to her. Mrs. Joan Dunsmuir, mother of James and Alexander, is also suing James for Alexander's share of the estate, on the ground that he had Alexander having simply held it in trust for her.

Lake and Rail Freight.

The inland freight market for grain is very quiet. Fort William to Montreal, 6c; Chicago to Buffalo, 15c for wheat, 1 1/2c for corn, and 1c for oats. Chicago to Montreal is quoted at 1c for wheat, 1 1/2c for corn, and 1c for oats. The through rate of freight from Chicago to New York is 4 1/2c against 4 1/2c from Chicago to Montreal.

While in Winnipeg on Saturday and Sunday last Robt. Kerr, passenger traffic manager of the C. P. R. stated that strong efforts are being made to secure enough hands in Ontario to garner Manitoba a crop. Mr. Kerr said that not only would men be brought from Ontia to but the company will try to get men from England, Mr. Preston, the Canadian government representative, and Mr. Archie Baker, C. P. R. representative in London, are now working up the scheme all that could be secured," said Mr. Kerr. "Now every boat landing at Vancouver is filled and the route is the most popular among travellers from the Antipodes." Mr. Kerr said it would not be long before another steamer would have to be added to the lakes. Every steamer is now filled and an increase will soon be necessary in the number of them.

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FINANCIAL

Winnipeg Bank Clearings.

Returns for the Winnipeg clearing house for the week ending Thursday, show as follows:

Week ending July 24, 1902 . . . \$1,229,942
Corresponding week, 1901 . . . 1,360,458
Corresponding week, 1900 . . . 1,216,359

Financial Notes.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce is opening a branch at Medicine Hat, Assa.

The Union Bank of Canada has opened a branch at Medicine Hat, N. W. T.

A. H. Sutherland has been appointed manager of the Union Bank of Hartney.

The treasury at Washington closed its business on the last day of the fiscal year with an "available cash balance" of \$208,629,622.

The banks of Toronto closed at noon on Saturday last for the first time. The change will probably be made permanent if no difficulty appears to result.

The branch of the Merchant's Bank at Wetaskiwin, Assa., which has hitherto been a sub-agency, has been made a full branch, with V. C. James as manager.

Tenders are wanted by the rural municipality of Swan River, M. n., to be received up to Aug. 16, for the purchase of a \$14,000, 5 per cent. municipal debenture, to run 20 years, dated August 1, 1902, and payable at the Imperial Bank, Winnipeg.

During the year ended June 30 Canada transacted trade with foreign countries to the value of \$400,000,000, as against \$280,000,157 the previous year. Of this total \$43,370,840 was imports from Great Britain, and over \$100,000,000 was exports to Great Britain. The increase in trade was mainly exports of domestic produce.

The undersigned Winnipeg banks give notice that they will close their respective offices at twelve o'clock noon

on Saturdays (instead of one p. m.), commencing on 2nd August. Bank of British North America, Bank of Hamilton, Bank of Nova Scotia, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Imperial Bank of Canada, Molsons Bank, Banque d'Hocheban, Bank of Montreal, Bank of Ottawa, Dominion Bank, Merchants Bank of Canada, Union Bank of Canada.

North Western Ontario.

The last clean-up of the Black Eagle mine, Rat Portage, netted \$6,000 in gold.

Development work is proceeding rapidly at the Golden Sovereign, Twentieth Century, and Long Lake mines, Manitowish district.

The new stamp mill at the Big Madding mine, on Manitowish Lake, was started this week. It is stated that there is a large body of ore in sight for this mine, enough to keep it going for some time.

MINING

Mineral Production in British Columbia.

The annual report of the Minister of Mines of British Columbia for the year 1901, has been issued. It gives a mass of information in detail about mining in British Columbia, and also some interesting condensed tables. One table shows the mineral production of British Columbia compared with that of the rest of Canada, except Yukon territory. This shows that the mineral production of the Pacific province for 1901 was about equal to that of all the rest of Canada except Yukon. The figures are: Total mineral production of British Columbia, \$3,028,730; rest of Canada, \$19,81,287. British Columbia leads in gold, silver, lead and copper; and the rest of Canada in iron, nickel, coal and coke. For the production of coal and coke British Columbia is rapidly gaining, and bids fair to lead the rest of Canada before long. The report bears evidence of careful preparation by the provincial mineralogist, W. F. Robertson.

British Columbia.

The managers of the Wilcox mine, Ymir district, have decided to put in a stamp mill.

During the week ended Saturday last 6,730 tons of ore were shipped to smelter from Rossland. The shipping mines were the Le Roi, Le Roi No. 2, and Giant.

The Greenwood smelter people have assurances that the supply of coke from Ferris, which has been stopped by a miner's strike, will be resumed before the end of this month.

Crop Notes.

Elkhorn, Man. The crops are making excellent progress, and indications point to a bountiful harvest.

Edmonton, Alberta. Wheat and barley are now heading out and look well but oats are a little behind.

Prince Albert, Sask.—We are having splendid weather, the sun is warm and bright and the crops are in good condition; there is every prospect of a bountiful harvest this year.

Oak Lake, Man. The crops in Oak Lake district continue to make splendid progress. The wheat is heading out and some farmers expect to be in with the binder in five weeks' time.

Morden, Man. The wheat crop in the Morden district this year surpasses anything for years previous, if everything is favorable till the harvest is taken off, it will be a record breaker.

Treherne, Man. The condition of the crops is a matter for congratulation. Some of the wheat on the light land will be ready for the binder about August 10th, but the average crop is about a week or ten days behind last year.

La Riviere, Man. The weather for the past week has been very favorable for farmers. The warm weather is rushing the grain to maturity. Most of the wheat is heading out, and the later grains are rapidly nearing the same stage.

Hartney, Man. Farmers think that

a little rain would be beneficial to the wheat fields. With the right quantity of rain distributed over the country during the next three weeks it is believed that the yield of grain per acre would be enormously large.

Portage la Prairie, Man.—The crop outlook continues very satisfactory. Farm help is scarce and men are in great demand. In some sections cutting will commence next week although it will not be general. Barley is far advanced on many farms and it will be cut first.

Isisgrith, Man.—The crops in this district are looking fine. Quite a lot of wheat and barley are out in head and expect some barley will be cut in a couple of weeks, but grain is ten days later than last year. The acreage is larger than last year, and a large lot of breaking is done.

Moos-min, Assa., July 19.—In nearly every district around Moos-min wheat is out in head and the splendid growing weather of the last two weeks has been of immense benefit. The crop is a little late but with the progress now being made and with continued favorable weather the crop by the regular harvest time will be up to average.

Westbourne, Man., July 22.—Crops of all kinds are looking first-class and will be very heavy. Wheat is expected to yield from five to eight bushels per acre more than last year, but is a little less. The quantity of oats and barley sown was larger than last year, and large returns are expected as they show all that the ground can carry. If nothing occurs to damage the crop I am inclined to think this will be a record breaker of a crop. All are about full headed out and harvest may begin in about one month.

Ontario producers of fat cattle for export have been rushing their cattle to market before they were properly finished, tempted by the high prices prevailing at present. This is expected to result in a scarcity of beef cattle later on.

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Late Western Business Items.

Wm. Leines has opened a bakery at Rossland, B. C.

Mr. Holbrooke is opening in hard ware and harness at Kelowna, B. C.

A. C. Cummins and Co., of Ferguson, B. C., have assigned to F. C. Elliot, of Trout Lake.

W. J. Currie has sold his grocery business at Brandon to J. E. Macdonald and is moving to Lander where he will open a general store.

Rogers & Whiting, who have been running the Kootenay House, at Golden, B. C., have decided to sell the hotel at Armstrong and will move there.

R. B. Warner and Thos. Houd, who have been carrying on a mercantile business at Whitehead, Assa, have dissolved partnership. R. B. Warner continues the business.

It is rumored that some United States capitalists are contemplating purchasing a portion of Coney Island, Lake of the Woods, and erecting a large summer hotel there.

The planning mill owned by Gibbs & Liscomb at the corner of Third street and Point Douglas avenue, Winnipeg, was damaged by fire last evening. Loss between \$20,000 and \$800.

Wm. McAdams, editor of The Paymaster of Sandon, B. C., was tried last week for contempt of court and given one month in jail. He was also bound over to good behavior for the succeeding twelve months. His offense consisted in charging that the court had been postponed through the plaintiff having a poll with the court. He also charged that the court was corrupt.

The Labor Situation.

There have been no further developments in the strike situation this week and matters remain as they were last week ago. The hope of an early settlement of the Canadian Northern strike, which seemed to be within reach a week ago, has been dispelled. After some more favorable negotiations, the company again practically refused to deal with the men as an united organization, and the men have again re-affirmed their determination to hold out to the end.

Weather and Crops.

The weather this week has been fine and warm over the whole of the west. Under such favorable conditions the crops are making good progress, and the promise of a good yield is increasing. The harvest is now within measurable distance, and preparations for cutting are going on in every direction. The question of premium in the minds of the farmers is that of help. Fully 20,000 men will be required to take the crop off, and thresh it.

Commercial Men.

A. C. McLaughlin, representing Hodgson, Sumner & Co., and J. G. McKenzie & Co., of Montreal, is showing samples at the Alexandra block, Winnipeg.

Summerville, Assa: The weather is now perfect and the crops in this district promise to be very heavy.

The New York Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter gives the following list of changes in drug prices in that market in its issue of Monday: Advanced Alcohol, grain, 5c; Java, 10c; menthol, 3c; rochelle salts, 5c; Simaruba bark, 3c; oil pennyroyal, 5c; salicyl root, 5c; castor, 10c; Meck, 5c; calabar beans, 40c. Declined—Opium, powdered, 5c; acid, benzoic, 5c; bagberry, 5c; musk, 5c; condrango bark, 1c.

No important results have so far been accomplished by the practical conference, now in session in London. The King's illness and Mr. Chamberlain's accident have been obstacles to the development of enthusiasm over the work, and the delay in the work proceeding, there is little confidence among the premiers and ministers that any effective measure will be adopted. The Canadians are not without hope that preference may be obtained for their goods, but it will be a small matter and valuable chiefly as a precedent for future action in the direction of a commercial union.

Grenfell, Assa: The growing crops in this district are looking grand, and

the warm weather we are now experiencing, and which is so much needed to further the work of nature in maturing the grain, is already with us. Sunday and Monday have been exceedingly warm days, and the grain should be ready for the binder in six weeks under present favorable conditions. The weather for the week will be an anxious time for the farmers and business men, on account of danger from the west, but the present everything looks rosy and there is every indication of as good, if not better yields, than last year.

Winnipeg Hardware and Metal Prices.

ANVILS—Per pound, 169 1/2 lbs.; anvil and vice combined, each, \$22 1/2.

ALGERS—Best hose, Vaughan's, each, 8-9 1/2 1/2.

AXES—Bench, 40 per cent; chopping axes, per dozen, \$7 1/2; double bit, \$10 1/2 per dozen.

BAIRN-Crow, \$5.50 per 100 lbs.

BELLOWS—Orcutt, \$4.50; 20, \$4.50; 25, \$5.00; 30, \$5.50; 35, \$6.00; 40, \$6.50.

BELTS—Agricultural, 65 per cent; No. 40 per cent; extra, 50 per cent; new list.

BELTS, ALGER—Agricultural, 65 per cent; Jennings, 30 per cent; Gilmore's, 40 per cent.

BELTIONS—\$5.50 per 100 lbs.

BOLTS—1/2 inch, 3 inch, 4 inch, 5 inch, 6 inch, 7 inch, 8 inch, 9 inch, 10 inch, 11 inch, 12 inch, 13 inch, 14 inch, 15 inch, 16 inch, 17 inch, 18 inch, 19 inch, 20 inch, 21 inch, 22 inch, 23 inch, 24 inch, 25 inch, 26 inch, 27 inch, 28 inch, 29 inch, 30 inch, 31 inch, 32 inch, 33 inch, 34 inch, 35 inch, 36 inch, 37 inch, 38 inch, 39 inch, 40 inch, 41 inch, 42 inch, 43 inch, 44 inch, 45 inch, 46 inch, 47 inch, 48 inch, 49 inch, 50 inch, 51 inch, 52 inch, 53 inch, 54 inch, 55 inch, 56 inch, 57 inch, 58 inch, 59 inch, 60 inch, 61 inch, 62 inch, 63 inch, 64 inch, 65 inch, 66 inch, 67 inch, 68 inch, 69 inch, 70 inch, 71 inch, 72 inch, 73 inch, 74 inch, 75 inch, 76 inch, 77 inch, 78 inch, 79 inch, 80 inch, 81 inch, 82 inch, 83 inch, 84 inch, 85 inch, 86 inch, 87 inch, 88 inch, 89 inch, 90 inch, 91 inch, 92 inch, 93 inch, 94 inch, 95 inch, 96 inch, 97 inch, 98 inch, 99 inch, 100 inch.

CARTIRIDGES—Rim fire, American discount, 25 per cent; military, American and 5 per cent; central fire pistol, American discount, 25 per cent; sporting, American and 5 per cent; military and sporting, 30 per cent; military and American, 30 per cent; advance on list, Dominion 10 per cent.

CEMENT—Portland, barrel, \$3.50 1/2.

CHAIN—Cable, 1/2 inch, \$5.00; 3/4 inch, \$5.50; 1 inch, \$6.00; 1 1/4 inch, \$6.50; 1 3/4 inch, \$7.00; 2 inch, \$7.50; 2 1/2 inch, \$8.00; 3 inch, \$8.50; 3 1/2 inch, \$9.00; 4 inch, \$9.50; 4 1/2 inch, \$10.00; 5 inch, \$10.50; 5 1/2 inch, \$11.00; 6 inch, \$11.50; 6 1/2 inch, \$12.00; 7 inch, \$12.50; 7 1/2 inch, \$13.00; 8 inch, \$13.50; 8 1/2 inch, \$14.00; 9 inch, \$14.50; 9 1/2 inch, \$15.00; 10 inch, \$15.50; 10 1/2 inch, \$16.00; 11 inch, \$16.50; 11 1/2 inch, \$17.00; 12 inch, \$17.50; 12 1/2 inch, \$18.00; 13 inch, \$18.50; 13 1/2 inch, \$19.00; 14 inch, \$19.50; 14 1/2 inch, \$20.00; 15 inch, \$20.50; 15 1/2 inch, \$21.00; 16 inch, \$21.50; 16 1/2 inch, \$22.00; 17 inch, \$22.50; 17 1/2 inch, \$23.00; 18 inch, \$23.50; 18 1/2 inch, \$24.00; 19 inch, \$24.50; 19 1/2 inch, \$25.00; 20 inch, \$25.50; 20 1/2 inch, \$26.00; 21 inch, \$26.50; 21 1/2 inch, \$27.00; 22 inch, \$27.50; 22 1/2 inch, \$28.00; 23 inch, \$28.50; 23 1/2 inch, \$29.00; 24 inch, \$29.50; 24 1/2 inch, \$30.00; 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Table listing various coffee types such as Green Rio, Split pea, etc. with prices per lb.

Cigarettes. Per M.

Table listing various cigarette brands such as Old Judge, Sweet Caporal, etc. with prices per M.

Cured Fish. Per lb.

Table listing various cured fish products such as Flinnan Haddie, Boneshake, etc. with prices per lb.

Dried Fruits. Per lb.

Table listing various dried fruits such as Currants, Raisins, Apples, etc. with prices per lb.

Prunes, 70 to 80. 80% 87

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Table listing match brands such as Telegraph, Telephone, Fairy, etc. with prices per case.

Nuts. Per lb.

Table listing various nut types such as Brazil, Peanuts, Almonds, etc. with prices per lb.

Syrup. Per lb.

Table listing various syrups such as Maple, Glucose, Molasses, etc. with prices per lb.

Sugar. Per lb.

Table listing various sugar types such as Extra standard gran., Altered, etc. with prices per lb.

Salt. Per lb.

Table listing various salt types such as Rock salt, Common fine, etc. with prices per lb.

Spices. Per Doz.

Table listing various spices such as Assorted herbs, Allspice, Cloves, etc. with prices per doz.

Tea. Per lb.

Table listing various tea types such as China Blacks, Choice, etc. with prices per lb.

Tobacco. Per lb.

Table listing various tobacco types such as T. and B. 2s, T. and B. 1s, etc. with prices per lb.

Chewing Plug. Per lb.

Table listing various chewing plug types such as Caramel, Curacy, etc. with prices per lb.

Smoking. Per lb.

Table listing various smoking types such as Virgin Gold, Black, etc. with prices per lb.

Wooden Ware. Per Doz.

Table listing various wooden ware items such as Pails, Wire hoops, Star brooms, etc. with prices per doz.

Brooms.

Table listing various broom types such as Extra O.K. parlor brooms, No. 1 O.K. parlor brooms, etc. with prices per doz.

CURED MEATS, ETC.

Table listing various cured meats such as Lard, Salted, Calf's head, etc. with prices per doz.

Smoked Meats. Per lb.

Table listing various smoked meats such as Jams, Bacon, Sausages, etc. with prices per lb.

Dry Salt Meats. Per lb.

Table listing various dry salt meats such as Shoulders, Bacon, etc. with prices per lb.

Barrel Pork. Per bl.

Table listing barrel pork with price per bl.

Meat Sundries.

Table listing various meat sundries such as Summer sausage, Pickled pigs feet, etc. with prices per doz.

Following are DRUGS for parcel lots with usual reductions for unbroken pack.

Large table listing various drugs and chemicals such as Alum, Borax, Castor oil, etc. with prices per lb.

LEATHER. Per lb.

Table listing various leather types such as Harness, Sole, etc. with prices per lb.

S. A. McGaw Interviewed.

Montreal Gazette, July 18: Mr. S. A. McGaw, managing director of the Lake Huron & Manitoba Milling Co., Ltd., of Goderich, Ont., (an ex-Winnipeg) who was at the Windsor yesterday, gave a very interesting review regarding the respective merits of Ontario and the Northwest as wheat-growing portion of the Dominion.

He says that the wheat crop this year of the premier province of the Dominion will probably be a good one, reaching, perhaps, 10,000,000 bushels. He explained that eight years ago Ontario produced some 24,000,000 bushels, and this amount will go on decreasing every year. Last year the product was even below the average, the quantity reaching something like 12,000,000 bushels. As a wheat raising province, Mr. McGaw says that Ontario was about in her prime at 30,000,000 bushels, but, like all other sections of the east, she had to hand over the belt to what will soon be the granary of the empire, Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. It will, he states, take 12,500,000 bushels of wheat to bread the big star province, but if Ontario raises 10,000,000 bushels this year, it does not say that she eats her own wheat, a good part of which is sent to Great Britain and the West Indies, the same being replaced at home by the hard wheat from the Canadian West. He repeated that, as a wheat growing province, Ontario would never regain her former position, for he explained that the quantity grown in what is called New Ontario, he continued, was not adapted to any great extent to the growing of wheat, as a good portion of its forests are poplar and spruce, and he proceeded to explain that such soil was not conducive to wheat raising.

In all New Ontario, rich as she is in many things the only land peculiarly adapted to wheat would be that portion of the Rainy River valley be-

tween Fort Francis and the mouth of the river just named. Even here he did not suppose there would be more than twenty square miles of the flat land referred to, so it is more than evident, he declared, that the province will never catch up in the race. Even, he added, if Ontario could grow good wheat, the same product can be grown much cheaper in Manitoba and the Territories. In Ontario the land could not produce two continuous wheat crops without what is known as summer fallowing, while he had seen land on the Red River grow wheat for thirty years without a single year's interruption. But he said that where Ontario lost in wheat raising she will be more than recouped by the revenue derived by stock raising and other branches of agricultural industry.

The Lake Huron & Manitoba Milling Company turns out 1,200 barrels of flour per day, the wheat used being from Manitoba. Mr. McGaw said from recent advices received from the west he believed that the crop gave evidence of being an abundant one, although it might be a week or ten days later than last year. The crop, it is stated, will be quite as good as, and some say better than, last season. One thing is certain, there will be an increase of 10 per cent in the acreage. He says, in fact, that the amount of wheat grown in future years in Manitoba and the Northwest will never be much less than now, for if the crop falls off the total will be quite as much, because of the ever increasing number of acres under wheat. In conclusion, Mr. McGaw said that his company used about 1,500,000 bushels of wheat annually, and had a storage capacity of 225,000 bushels.

Grain Man Interviewed.

G. R. Crowe, of the Northern Elevator Company, Winnipeg, is now in Montreal. On Monday he gave the Gazette the following interview:

There was a good deal of rain, he states, during May, but at the present time the outlook is quite as promising

as at the same period last year. It had been stated that the crop was at least a fortnight behind, but Mr. Crowe says that as far as he can learn this is incorrect, and if the weather holds good it will be another good year for the Manitoba farmers. The acreage is some larger, but he would not say that the increase was equal to ten per cent. He thought also that there might also be some falling off in the crop of the Edmonton district, as there had been more than an ordinary rainfall in that section of the Northwest.

Mr. Crowe was then asked as to the probable amount of last year's wheat remaining in the province and he replied that although it was quite a difficult question to answer he believed that there were at least three million bushels in the hands of the farmers. He could not say why the wheat raisers deemed it expedient to hold their wheat, but no doubt they expected higher prices. That they held it there could be no doubt, and for that matter he had quite recently made a purchase of wheat from a Manitoba farmer which had been taken from the crop of 1908. As the elevator charges would be considerable the profit to the original owner must have been pretty well wiped out.

The matter of transportation was then alluded to, and Mr. Crowe declared that both the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian Northern would have all they could do to get the promised crop out of the country. There is, he said, no increase in the number of roads as the Canadian Northern takes the place of the Canadian Pacific, although Canada would from the fact of the Canadian Northern terminal now being at Port Arthur instead of at Duluth. Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann's road had been hauling stuff out of the prairie country since February, and although they had had a good many difficulties to overcome, the Canadian Northern would very soon be in good running order. Mr. Crowe remarked that although Americans

and other outside interests had been buying immense quantities of land in the Territories, especially in the Edmonton and Regina districts, the Manitoba farmers were also steady in adding to their holdings. In some instances farmers were able to secure additional land adjoining their present farms, and in other cases they pick up properties at a distance, but necessarily for this being brought about by the growing up of the farmers' sons and the accumulation of wealth all round.

The lands in the vicinity of the city of Winnipeg are also, he said, getting out of the hands of the speculators and non-farming class, and are being rapidly filed up by a prosperous agricultural population. Some years ago one had to go forty miles west of Winnipeg before reaching the wheat fields, whereas at the present time that great four hundred mile wheat field which is the pride of Canada and the wonder of all travellers on the Canadian Pacific railway, is entered within five miles of the provincial capital, the intervening distance becoming less every year.

A cable from London on July 21 said: A supplementary civil service estimate issued to-day aggregates upward of half a million pounds sterling, and is proposed to be met by free grants in aid of the sugar industry of West Indies.

The Dominion government has appointed George Anderson, of Toronto, to make special inquiry into the reasons why the trade of the Yukon is so much in the hands of United States traders, with the hope that a large amount of the increasing business of that territory may be turned into Canadian channels.

The department of the interior has just completed the tabulation of the immigration figures for the fiscal year ending June 30 last. The outstanding feature in this connection is the very large increase in British immigration. During the year just ended, the British immigration totaled 17,000. The previous year it was 11,810.

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Mr. Justice Richards has delivered judgment on an application made to him to quash a local option by-law, which was passed, or supposed to have been passed by the old rural municipality of Whitewater. The application was made on behalf of one A. Vivian, of Egin, hotel keeper. He had applied for a license, but the commissioners refused to grant him one on account of the by-law in question.

The old municipality of Whitewater was abolished in 1929 and its territory divided up among other municipalities. By the municipalities boundaries' Act the local option by-laws remain in force as to the territory included in the municipality when the local option by-law was passed. The result is that the local option by-law complained of applies to twelve townships, which were formerly included in the old municipality of Whitewater, including the village of Egin. The by-law was read twice by the municipal council and then another by-law, No. 42, was brought in, directing that the local option by-law be submitted to a vote of the people. It appears that neither by-law 42 nor the local option by-law was ever signed by the head of the corporation, nor was either of the by-laws ever sealed with the corporate seal.

Any vote taken was invalid, as in the absence of a proper by-law to take the vote the vote itself was invalid. No right to vote could arise till after a proper by-law had been passed. There having been no valid vote taken it was not in the power of the council to read the alleged local option by-law a third time and enact it. His lordship therefore ordered the by-law number 42 to be quashed without costs to any parties, as the same was invalid and inoperative. Mr. Perdue appeared for the applicants.

Steel Wipes Out Iron Industries.

Henry Simpson, in the mining and metallurgical number of *Canada's Magazine*, points out that less than a quarter of a century ago Middleborough (Eng.) had in operation the manufacture of steel, though it was

one of the most important finished iron making centres in the world, and in the center of its prosperity so far as regards the value of the iron output, which was as recently as 1875, it had 2,104 out of the 7,104 puddling furnaces at that time in existence in Great Britain. The make of finished iron even twenty years ago was 725,000 tons, but directly after 1882 there commenced a rapid decline, so that in 1900 only 130,000 tons were produced, and in 1901 about 94,000 tons.

This remarkable change has been brought about solely by the supercession of iron by steel, first as a material for use on the permanent way of railways and afterwards as a material for the construction of both steam and sailing vessels.

It was about the year 1875 that steel began to encroach on the business of the iron rail makers, and in this district the production of iron rails (which in 1875 was over 375,000 tons, and formed 53 per cent. of its total output of finished iron) had by 1876 dropped to 124,000 tons, owing to the competition of steel. In 1879 the output had dwindled to 8,000 tons, or only 2 per cent. of the total production. This decline in the iron rail trade was a heavy blow to the iron manufacturers of the north of England, which had been the chief seat of that business in Great Britain.

But to counterbalance this falling off there sprang up toward the close of the seventies a vast extension of shipbuilding, so great, in fact, that it required more iron than was necessary to make up for the decline to the loss of the rail trade. Now both the iron rail and plate trades are of very little importance.

How severely the extension of the steel trade in the district has affected the finished iron trade will be appreciated when it is stated that out of the forty-five finished iron manufacturers that were in operation in the north-east of England a quarter of a century ago, twenty-five have completely disappeared; nine still exist as iron rolling mills; two have added a steel plant to their iron works; six have been converted into steel rolling mills, and have abandoned altogether the manufacture of finished iron; two roll steel but do not make it, and one is

now a foundry. Thus, only twenty of the old works are still in existence. Four entirely new steel rolling mills have been established since 1875, and at the present time twenty-three works are engaged in the north of England in the production of manufactured iron and steel, of which ten are steel works pure and simple.

much of the machinery used in the factories will be made; an engine house with two large boilers and two cranes, and a warehouse and office. The large demand for the goods of this company render necessary the increased capacity which their new buildings will afford, and the management expect to have the whole of



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The Brantford Starch Works, Limited, Brantford, Ont., whose fine factory was destroyed by fire on May 29th, have lost no time in making arrangements for the replacing of the buildings and the continuance of their business. New plans are completed for the erection of two very complete factories, one for the manufacture of corn starch for domestic and culinary use, and the other for the production of thin boiling wheat starch for steam and hand laundries.

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erected and in operation by the 1st of February, 1903.

Benjamin Gordon, who was at one time a prominent Winnipeg business man, died at Victoria, B. C., on Monday, of an internal trouble, after some months' illness. The deceased first came to Winnipeg in 1882, and entered the employ of the Hudson's Bay Co., as buyer for the grocery department for a number of years. Leaving here he went to Victoria, where he entered into business under the partnership of Angus & Gordon. A few years later he returned to Winnipeg and formed a partnership with the late W. F. Buchanan in the brokerage and commission business. Four years ago he again left Winnipeg for Victoria, taking the management of the coast business of his firm, leaving the brother, W. V. Gordon, to look after Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.

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The Twine Market.

Little that is new can be said of the twine market conditions. At present there appears to be the usual fall and winter wheat and oats harvests, although more activity as regards buying is observed. Fortunately most dealers seem to have established a connection with one or more of the twine concerns, so they are reasonably sure of having their wants cared for. Some of the twine concerns have found it difficult to locate houses which have twine for immediate delivery. "Is your twine concern can buy some twine for immediate shipment?" is the burden of numerous inquiries.

A number of manufacturers have recently increased their operations and accepted orders for late July and early August delivery. The leading concerns have large reserve stocks in the northwest, but expect to forward more to that territory as fast as it can be produced after the harvest of the earlier territory is out of the way. Having been out of the market for several weeks, some of the leading concerns have made no prices. Whether or not they will adopt the current schedule of prices, orders accepted cannot be foretold.

The prospects now indicate that harvest as a whole will be about as usual, thus affording additional time for the manufacture of twine. A careful survey of the twine market leads to the conclusion that all danger of an actual shortage is passed, and that while there will be a shortage of practically all requirements will be met in some sections, possibly be twine sometimes on a small scale, but nothing of a serious nature is now anticipated.

The prices of the few concerns that are prepared and willing to receive orders at this time are as quoted below, manila prices, nominal.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Signal, Standard, Manila (900-foot), Pure manila, Car lots, 1/2 cent, Five-ton lots, 1/4 cent less.

Implement Trade Notes.

O. M. Hatcher, traveling representative of The Warden, Bushnell & Glessner Company, was in Winnipeg this week.

Smith Bros. have just finished a new warehouse at Arnaud, Man., in which they will carry their implement business.

Harvester sales in the west have been exceptionally large this season. Manufacturers made preparations for a larger trade than last year and they are getting it.

The Canadian Cordage and Mfg. Co., Peterborough, Ont., have just begun making binder twine and will turn out a considerable amount for the present harvest. Their capacity is one, with a capacity of 2,000 tons a year.

Montana wool is selling in Minneapolis at 14c per pound. The receipts are very much in excess of last year.

Trade relations between the United States and its newly acquired possession the Philippines Islands are expanding rapidly. Shipment to those islands during the fiscal year just ended amounted to over \$35,000,000, as against \$6,775,590 the last year of Spanish rule.

GRAIN MEN IN SESSION.

The annual meeting of the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association was held in the board room of the grain exchange Tuesday morning, at 10 o'clock. There was a fair attendance of members. The meeting was open, the minutes being admitted, and all discussed the report of the secretary, John Love, president of the association, and J. P. Clark, the new secretary, Frank Fowler, M.P.P., the new secretary, was in his place. Chas. Clark, president of the National Association of Grain Dealers, National editor of the Grain Dealer Journal, Chicago, was present. He was introduced and delivered an address, which was listened to with great interest by those present. It showed the progress and accomplishments of the association throughout the United States.

Mr. Love, in opening the meeting the next day, in welcoming the outside members of the association, leaving for Mr. Parrish, the retiring secretary, the task of giving the meeting the details of the year's progress made in the west, which he assured the members of the association. Love regretted that more were not present, but as the association had decided to hold its public meeting at home to-day, and everywhere he can find a crop of suckers to-morrow.

He supposed the exhibition was required in the absence of some of the members from the meeting. W. L. Parrish, who up to this time had been secretary of the association, gave a comprehensive report on the progress of the association and what had been accomplished by the action of the association the price of gasoline had been materially lowered which was greatly appreciated by the elevator men. Crop statistics had been obtained throughout the season and distributed among the members. The membership is now very large and several firms were applying to be placed on the list of sponsors.

Chas. Young, M. P. P., president of the Northwest Association of the objects and aims of the Grain Dealers' Association, and of the difficulty of the exchange and the grain-exchange. He said he attributed the honor of being called upon to distribute among the members as president of the grain exchange. He was pleased to notice that the fact that the grain exchange had been there was an entirely wrong impression abroad as to the objects of both parties. The grain exchange was connected with the Grain Dealers' Association. It is not the case. He went on to say that the grain exchange dealt with the matter of the whole trade. For instance where the trade was being affected by arrangements for lower rates with the railways and insurance companies and others of that nature—the co-operation of all those interested in the fostering of the grain trade was what secured the desired concessions. An important function of the exchange was to settle disputes by arbitration between the farmer and the elevator. The necessity of embarking on expensive litigation was pointed out. The advisability of having a uniform margin of profits in the handling of grain was pointed out. It was sufficiently small to give the farmers the full value of their labors and so that the dealer would not be benefited and make reasonable profit for work. He also pointed out that one grain man should be allowed to handle grain for grain as another in the market, and that while a run in the market was considered by some to be a benefit to the farmers it really was no benefit, and he instanced a case of a man coming to the market with his grain in the morning and selling his load 2c, but when he came in the afternoon, and caught the market at the highest point. This was the case with the wheat which he brought in his load in the morning and the man, who bought the wheat, if he could not get it at the time he would pay 2c above the price in the morning. He should pay the extra price in the first instance. It was pointed out that this would create dissatisfaction among hundreds of farmers who were of that place but of hundreds of farmers in the vicinity.

Mr. Young, in closing the new element in the exchange, and wished the farmers to be more referred, every success. Intelligent competition, he said, would not be feared by legitimate dealers. Chas. S. Clark next spoke. In part he said: "The object of the association is order, harmony. The avowed purpose of all grain trade organizations is to order the market, to place the business, to reduce the opportunities for losses, to make the grain dealer's return, but not to make it unreasonably large. His percentage of profits is insignificant as compared with the percentage of the general merchant. By reason of his profits being almost assured, the grain dealer is not so much affected as the general merchant. As his percentage becomes more assured through the work of the association, the merchant will be satisfied with even less. Did it ever occur to you that the elevator man furnishes and operates a freight depot for bulk grain without charge to anyone? "What is more, he keeps it open during the marketing season, pays taxes for the support of the government, bears the expense of help, interest advance, market information. Yet some persons are disposed to speak of him as a profiteer. They prefer to help the scooper, who has no permanent investment, hence runs a risk, and is in the market here to-day, and everywhere he can find a crop of suckers to-morrow. "The fact that the grain dealer in the middle states built depots for bulk grain just as for package freight, others, who are not in the market, have rendered them, have paid some of the elevator men a loading fee for each bushel placed in their cars. The freight solicitor, who furnishes his own warehouse, performs a valuable service. Some persons have recognized the demoralizing influence of the peddler, the cheap Jewellery, the cheap John's clothing house and the grain scooper, and voluntarily levied a license fee of \$25 monthly on all such persons, who are not in the market, merchants and grain dealers to provide better and more attractive trading facilities for the farmer. "Association work," continued Mr. Clark, "his naturally divided according to its extent and character. We have local, state and national associations. He then gave an interesting outline of the work of the association. He showed how a network of organized effort brought the entire arrangement into being. He mentioned the Grain Dealers' Association, with headquarters in Winnipeg, is affiliated with this organization, and went into a detailed account of some of the troubles the grain dealers had to contend with, and how they were in part alleviated, principally owing to the class of dealer known as "the scooper." "Who was nothing more than a parasite on the trade, and paid nothing he could avoid. "We find," concluded Mr. Clark, "that the best association man, and hence the most progressive and prosperous dealer, is the one who kept posted regarding what is going on in the trade, the man who reads what other associations and other dealers are doing, and attends the meetings and takes an active interest in the work."

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