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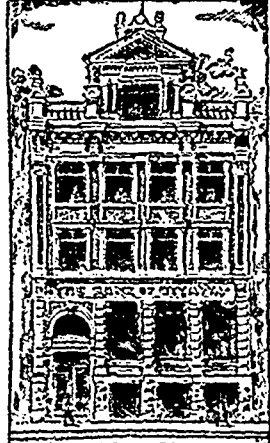
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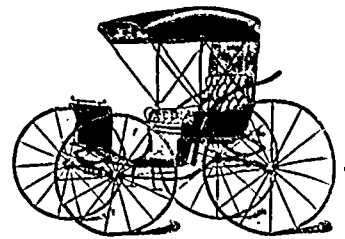
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WINNIPEG, JULY 19, 1897.

OUTLOOK FOR HIDES.

There seems to be a great deal of uncertainty as to the effect which the duty of 20 per cent. placed on hides by the new United States tariff, will have on prices of hides in Canada. Formerly hides went into the United States free, and a considerable quantity of hides were annually shipped from Winnipeg to the United States. It seems to be the general opinion in the trade that the effect of the duty would be to reduce the price of hides in Canada. As the duty will have the effect of checking exports to the United States, and consequently restricting the market, this would seem to be the natural conclusion to be arrived at.

At the same time it is not certain what the effect of the duty will be to reduce prices. Canada imports as well as exports hides. It is a well known fact that Eastern Canada tanners buy considerable lots of hides in Chicago. This is partly owing to the fact that they can get a fine selection in Chicago, where they are able to buy large lots of a straight grade.

The trade returns show that Canada imported, in 1895, hides to the value of \$1,950,530. During the same year we exported hides to the value of \$891,269. This shows the balance in favor of the home product, and would indicate that all our hides will

be wanted at home. It is natural to suppose that the duty placed on hides by the new United States tariff will advance the price of hides in that country. If this turns out to be the case, Canadian tanners will not be able to buy hides in United States markets to as good advantage as formerly and this will make a better demand and keener competition for the home supply.

Looking at it in this way, there appears to be a good argument in favor of the contention that the home demand will be sufficient to maintain prices here.

Canada is a considerable exporter of leather. Our imports of leather for 1895 were \$432,972, while exports of leather and manufactures of leather amounted to \$1,367,064. If the effect of the duty on hides in the United States will be to advance prices there, it should stimulate the export leather trade in Canada, as our tanners, who will get free raw material, will be in a better position than the United States tanner. Leather is a product which is sold on a very fine margin, and a very slight advantage will enable Canadian tanners to compete to good advantage in the export leather trade. Taken altogether, we cannot see that the customs tax placed on hides by the United States should work any injury to this country, but rather that it should work out to the advantage of our export leather trade. Prices of hides in Canada may not be expected to follow any inflation of values which may take place in the United States, but with our export leather trade stimulated, good values should be maintained for hides.

THE CROPS.

A good many samples of wheat in the straw, fully headed out, have been shown on the Winnipeg grain exchange during the past two weeks. These samples come from various districts all over the country. Some show a good length of straw, but quite a number show a rather short growth of straw. At least what would be considered short straw in this country. The general indications are that the straw will not be heavy this year over a considerable area of our wheat belt. This, however, is not a misfortune. The straw is of no value here, and a heavy straw crop entails a vast amount of extra work upon the farmer. The extra yield of grain from crops having a heavy growth of straw does not always pay for the extra labor entailed on the farmer in harvesting the crop. A moderate growth of straw with a well filled head, often gives better results, cost of harvesting considered,

than a big straw crop. A rank growth of straw also means a later harvest as a rule.

Last year the western districts of Manitoba fared better than the eastern sections, excessive spring rains having delayed seeding and damaged the crops in the Red River Valley. This year the conditions are reversed. Some western districts suffered from drouth in the early part of the season, while the rains came earlier and were more abundant in the eastern and southeastern sections of the province, where the crops this year are the most promising.

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It is hardly necessary to say much about the annual financial statement of the company. It will be found on another page of this issue, and our readers can therefore look over the statement for themselves. The fact that the stock of the company has sold at 10 per cent. premium, however, is an indication of the faith investors have in this company.

The wholesale saddlery trade of the United States held their annual meeting in St. Paul last week. E. F. Hutchings, wholesale saddler, Winnipeg, received an invitation to the meeting, but was unable to attend on account of the preparations being made for the Industrial Exhibition this week.

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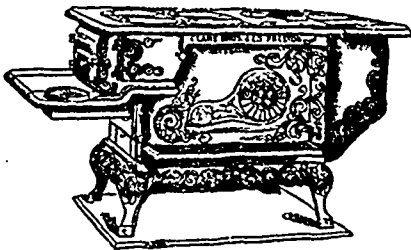
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On motion of E. F. B. Johnston, Q.C., seconded by Abraham Shaw, Mr. John Flett was elected chairman, and Mr. E. W. Day secretary of the meeting.

In moving the adoption of the report, the president, Mr. John Flett referred briefly to the progress of the company, which in his opinion has far exceeded the fondest hopes of the directors. He thought that in as much as the company has been so successful during a period of general depression that success would continue for they had reason to believe the future of Canada was bright. He dwelt particularly upon the nature of the company's business in the Northwest which was of the most gratifying nature. The wonderful growth and wealth of the province of Manitoba and the west generally was demonstrated clearly in the nature of the business done there. It has been entirely satisfactory in every respect, and our daily experience is to increase our confidence and enthusiasm in the ultimate outcome of that great country.

The motion was seconded by E. F. B. Johnston, Q. C., and carried unanimously.

Dr. Stephen Lett, of Guelph, moved that the thanks of the shareholders be given to the directors, officers, agents, etc., of the company.

Dr. Lett in the course of his remarks stated that it was very gratifying to him to make such a motion, and that the care, watchfulness and economy exercised by the board was such as to merit the warm approval of the shareholders.

The motion was seconded by Prof. A. Baker, of the Toronto University, who on occasion to say, that in view of the fact that he had personally examined each mortgage account, he had felt it a matter of duty to be present at the annual meeting to inform the shareholders the exact condition of the mortgages. He congratulated the directors upon having an office so keenly alive to the interests of the Company, and thorough and ac-

curate in its work, which must be gratifying alike to the shareholders and the Board.

Referring to the mortgages more particularly, it was, he thought, remarkable that there should be so few arrears, which in his opinion warranted the statement that no other company in Canada could boast of a better class of mortgages than those of the Globe Savings & Loan company.

At this stage numerous shareholders congratulated the board and management upon the success and growth of the company. The confidence expressed and the good feeling shown by the shareholders was very greatly appreciated and briefly acknowledged by Mr. Flett, the president; Mr. Day, managing director, and Col. Macdonald of Guelph.

On motion of Dr. Lett, seconded by Mr. McGrail, of Acton, the old board of directors was re-elected as follows:

- JOHN FLETT.
- E. F. B. JOHNSTON, Q. C.
- E. W. DAY.
- COL. A. H. MACDONALD, Q. C.
- HENRY LOWNDES.
- J. H. HOUSSER.
- JOHN A. GIRVIN.
- LEONARD P. D. TILLEY.

At a subsequent meeting of the board, Mr. John Flett was re-elected president, E. F. B. Johnston, Q. C., vice-president, and E. W. Day managing director.

To the shareholders Globe Savings and Loan Company:

The fifth annual statement of the company's affairs is herewith submitted. The highly satisfactory progress of the company is more clearly brought before us by a brief reference to our annual report of four years ago.

| | 1893 | 1897. |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Paid up Permanent Capital... | \$ 9,312.00 | \$269,714.92 |
| Loans | 13,951.00 | 643,642.28 |
| Earnings | 593.50 | 63,705.35 |
| Assets | 15,993.00 | 696,025.59 |

The main features of the year's business is in the increase of mortgages. The total amount applied for was \$479,735, of which we declined \$253,881. We find at the date of our last annual meeting nearly \$100,000 cash on hand. This amount with our natural increase has been loaned. To prevent further accumulation of money your directors decreased the rate of interest on deposits and debentures and also made a reduction in the agents' commission.

The permanent capital of the company continues to sell at a premium of 10 per cent, some \$2,336 having been added during the year to profits by that means. The amount paid in on account of permanent stock is \$269,714.92 and the amount subscribed over \$300,000. A dividend of 6 per cent. per annum on the permanent stock has been paid.

The directors regretfully record the loss to their board of its first president, William Bell, Esquire. His protracted illness necessitated his retirement from all active pursuits.

The growing demand of the company in the outer provinces required in the opinion of your board an increase in the directorate. We are accordingly pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. J. H. Houser, of the Massey-Harris company, Toronto, for many years a prominent resident of Manitoba, Mr. John A. Girvin, of Winnipeg, representing Manitoba and

the Northwest, and Mr. Leonard P. D. Tilley, of St. John, representing the province of New Brunswick.

The board begs to testify to the efficiency and care exercised over the company's business by the manager and other officers of the company.

JOHN FLETT,
President.

LOSS AND GAIN ACCOUNT.

DR.

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| For year ended May 31st, 1897. | |
| Interest paid stockholders | \$22,152.03 |
| Interest paid depositors | 445.25 |
| Interest paid on debentures | 2,096.18 |
| Interest accrued on debentures | 2,474.74 |
| Discount allowed on advance payments | 115.84 |
| Expense fund allowance on paid-up stock | 3,541.38 |
| Mortgage tax | 323.80 |
| | <u>\$31,149.22</u> |

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| Balance for distribution | \$70,150.76 |
| | <u>\$101,299.98</u> |
| Credited withdrawal capital | \$57,036.93 |
| Credited permanent capital | 2,813.74 |
| Credited permanent capital rest account | 10,300.09 |
| | <u>\$70,150.76</u> |

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| Balance at credit of loss and gain account, May 30th, 1896 | \$41,281.08 |
| Add interest accrued on debentures | 489.24 |
| | <u>\$41,773.32</u> |

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| Deduct interest accrued on mortgages | 4,178.69 |
| | <u>\$37,594.63</u> |

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| Net credit | \$37,594.63 |
| Interest and premium | 53,805.08 |
| Interest accrued | 4,028.89 |
| Transferred from expense fund and premium on stock | 5,871.38 |
| | <u>\$101,299.98</u> |

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| Balance brought down | \$70,150.76 |
| | <u>\$70,150.76</u> |

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

May 31st, 1897.

| ASSETS. | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Mortgages | \$643,642.28 |
| Interest accrued thereon | 4,028.89 |
| | <u>\$647,671.17</u> |

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| Loans on stocks and collaterals | 11,817.55 |
| Real estate | 19,267.80 |
| Properties account, taxes and insurance premiums advanced for borrowers | 2,456.45 |
| Life insurance premiums advanced for borrowers | 30.20 |
| Cash advanced to close loans | 6,800.00 |
| Agents' balances | 137.30 |
| Cash Imperial Trusts Co. | 1,695.91 |
| Cash, miscellaneous banks | 6,149.21 |
| | <u>\$696,025.59</u> |

LIABILITIES.

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|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Permanent capital | \$269,714.92 |
| Permanent capital rest account | 10,300.09 |
| | <u>\$280,015.01</u> |

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|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Withdrawal capital with profits | 308,326.91 |
| Debentures | 54,200.00 |
| Savings bank deposits | 9,424.91 |
| Incomplete loans | 37,450.00 |
| Reserve fund | 3,094.59 |
| Sundry creditors, borrowers | 1,139.43 |
| Interest accrued on debentures | 2,474.74 |
| | <u>\$696,025.59</u> |

Hon. D. H. McMillan, Jas. Tees, H. C. Stovel, T. W. Taylor, Dr. C. W. Clark, J. B. Mitchell, W. Smith and S. H. Byrnes, H. Willis have been elected as the first local board of directors of the Western Co-Operative Loan and Investment company.

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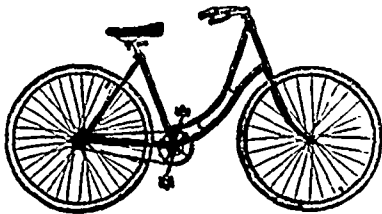
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The Bank Statement.

The most encouraging feature in the statement of the chartered banks for the month of May is the unexpected increase of over a million dollars in the volume of circulation. May is usually a month when there is a dip in circulation, and when notes are more inclined to return to the banks than to go out; and thus the fact that the circulation during the last month was the largest for any May since 1893 is a hopeful sign for business.

The brighter outlook for the farmer furnishes the key-note for this increase—for circulation is principally affected by the fluctuations in the movement and values of agricultural products. The exports of dairy produce, cattle and hog products are all in excess of those of this date last year. The export of cheese to the close of last week from this port were 290,514 boxes, an increase of 68,200 boxes over the record of 1896, while the prices paid have been from 10 to 20 per cent higher this year than last. The export of butter also exceeded those of 1896, while according to British trade returns the exports of hog meats to the United Kingdom have in 1897 been 40 per cent in excess of 1896. The exports of cattle have also been up to the mark and the prices fair, compared with those of 1896. All this is calculated to have a stimulating effect on general trade, especially as it comes after a period of economy and debt reduction among the farmers of the country.

Both classes of deposits show an increase, amounting in all to some three millions of dollars. The opening of navigation, the resumption of building operations, and the expenditures incident to the commencement of lake and canal traffic, are responsible principally for the increase in demand deposits, while the payment of dividends and their deposits in the banks pending opportunities for profitable investment will account largely for the growth of those bearing interest. The unwieldy size of the latter class of deposits was the subject of comment at all the recent bank meetings, and that their growth is responsible in no slight degree for the lessened earning powers of the larger banks seems generally conceded. As yet, however, there seems to be but little chance of reducing their volume. Capital is still timid, all classes of gilt-edged securities are held firmly at almost prohibitive figures and until public confidence becomes more firmly established investors will still prefer to keep their savings in their bankers' hands.

The reduction of four millions and a half in the volume of discounts is another encouraging feature. A similar reduction of three and a half millions took place at this period last year. It is due, not to any contraction in the volume of business, but to the fact that the improvement in collections usual in May has enabled merchants to take up a portion of the renewals and accommodation paper which had accumulated during the early months of the year. The money thus set free has been used by the banks at their United States branches, as is shown by the increase of \$2,360,000 in American balances. Unfortunately rates at American trade centres have ruled low all along, and thus the reduction in discounts due to the

sounder condition of trade has militated somewhat against the profit making powers of the banks.

The minor changes in the statements are those which are usual at this period of the year and do not call for especial comment. Attached are the fluctuations in the principal items given in tabular form:

| | May. | Ap. II. |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Circulation | \$ 31,820,445 | \$ 30,814,923 |
| Deposits | 70,183,545 | 69,730,791 |
| Deposits bearing interest..... | 120,532,122 | 126,994,007 |
| Call loans | 14,256,008 | 13,540,584 |
| Current loans..... | 211,750,319 | 216,284,936 |
| American balances | 18,763,773 | 16,401,560 |

—Trade Review.

Crops in Foreign Countries.

The latest information from European countries is somewhat conflicting regarding the crop situation, but it is generally believed that in the aggregate the yield of wheat will be considerably smaller than reported in 1896—in all countries probably 100,000,000 bushels. The weather has not been very favorable, and considerable damage has been sustained by heavy rains and floods. In the United Kingdom, the season has been backward, with unseasonable weather, and the yield will be slightly under that of last year, even with good weather to the close of the harvest. There is little doubt but the wheat crop of France will be considerably less than in 1896—possibly 40,000,000 bushels. Seeding was delayed in the fall and the spring, and the area was materially reduced. The condition of the plant is not very good, and will require good weather to approximate an average yield. There is little doubt but France will be a fairly liberal importer of wheat during the season of 1897-8. In Russia, the prospects have been favorable for an average yield, but recent damage reports indicate a lighter crop than in 1896. Winter wheat will probably be somewhat under the average, while spring wheat is in fairly good condition and may yield well. Rye will probably be a fairly good crop. In Germany, the crops generally are in good condition, and there is little doubt but the yield of both wheat and rye will be an average. In Austria and Hungary, the prospects are not very favorable and the wheat and rye crops will be smaller than last year. In Roumania, the outlook has been quite good, but storms during the latter part of June damaged the wheat and rye crops, and reduced the yield at least one-fourth. In Holland and Belgium, the prospects favor an average yield of wheat, and most crops. In Portugal, the wheat crop will be a very large one, and sufficient to give a supply two months longer than usual. Reports from Spain indicate that the yield of wheat and small grains will be only moderate—considerable damage being sustained by storms. Italy will probably secure a fairly good wheat crop. Reports from India indicate that the wheat yield will be about one-eighth less than last year, and that the exportable surplus will be small. Prospects for wheat in Argentine are rather favorable, and unless some damage is sustained by locusts, which have appeared in some provinces, the yield will be fair, and exportable surplus slightly increased. Advices from Australia indicate favorable weather for the wheat crop, and while the yield

will not be sufficient for an exportable surplus, the probabilities are that Australia can hardly be classed as an importing country this year.

NEW UNITED STATES WHEAT CROP

From present indications the United States will raise the largest yield of wheat in many years. The yield, while liberal, will probably fall below the quantity reported in 1891, but the outlook now favors the second largest yield ever reported. The winter wheat crop is virtually out of danger, and the spring wheat crop is now reaching maturity in good condition. It is virtually safe, unless some damage should occur, to calculate that the aggregate yield will approximate about 550,000,000 bushels—about 310,000,000 bushels of winter and 240,000,000 bushels of spring. On the basis of current reports it is conservative to place the shortage in the aggregate wheat yield of Europe for 1897 at 100,000,000 bushels less than in 1896—a quantity sufficient to more than offset the apparent increase in the yield in the United States. Stocks in the principal countries are comparatively light for the season of the year, though supplies in first hands may be a trifle larger than reported a year ago.

It is evident, that the aggregate wheat crop of the world will not vary much from that of 1896, with stocks in all positions somewhat lighter than one year ago.—Chicago Daily Trade Bulletin.

CANADIAN APPLE CROP.

Complaints have been received from different orchards in the Island of Montreal to the effect that a most peculiar blight has attacked a large number of apple trees after blossoming, causing the leaves to wither and dry up. This seems to have had the effect of preventing the apples from properly setting after blossoming. The same kind of blight seems to have appeared in the Niagara district, a grower writing from Grimsby, Ont., stating that the apple crop in that district promises to be a light one owing to a withering of the leaves as though the trees had been scorched.—Trade Bulletin.

SUPPLY OF BREADSTUFFS.

The aggregate supplies of breadstuffs in Europe and Africa therefor, and in store in the United States and Canada, on July 1, 1897—including a larger number of points than any other compilation—were equal 88,740,300 bushels, against 107,337,700 bushels on June 1, and 137,445,500 bushels on June 1, 1896. The decrease during June was equal 18,597,400 against a reduction of 14,152,600 bushels during May; and 10,107,600 bushels during June, 1896. The aggregate supplies are 48,695,200 bushels less than reported at this time last year.—Chicago Daily Trade Bulletin.

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Dairy Trade Items.

The Commercial has been favored with a copy of the annual report of the Dairymen's Association of the Territories, just published in pamphlet form. The pamphlet contains over 75 pages, and gives much interesting and valuable information, particularly to dairymen in the Territories.

The Liverpool public cheese calls declined another sixpence on July 8 to 41, making 2s 6d decline in all since July 1. Notwithstanding this decline, prices advanced the same day in Ontario country markets, as the report of the Brockville market will show. At Brockville, Ont., on July 8, the cheese market took an unexpected jump of 1-4c. The offerings were 1,000 boxes of which 2,924 were colored. For first choice 81-8c was bid in three hands; 81-4c was then offered for Brockville delivery, and secured five lots. The competition was so keen that before the board adjourned all the buyers were clamoring for cheese at the top prices. After adjournment the balance of the cheese was sold at 81-8c and 81-4c, the former ruling. In all the business of the afternoon represented some 8,000 boxes.

The Hardware Trade.

Turpentine is easier in the south. The Montreal Gazette says: "The white lead market has developed considerable improvement of late, makers of dry have further advanced their prices, making a rise within the past few months equivalent to 5 per cent. Quotations for white lead in oil continue unaltered, but the feeling is firm with the probability of an early advance. The demand for mixed paints of all descriptions continues to be heavy. Prepared paints represent an increasing percentage of the whole trade year by year. The feeling in red lead is firmer and the inside price now for casks is 4c. A weaker feeling in linseed oil prevails and a reduction in prices is probable in the near future."

A Toronto report says: In bar iron the list of extras has been changed. Wire has also been slightly reduced, discount now being 35 per cent. off revised list. File list has also been changed but discount remains as before. Cut nails are down 10c per keg. The same remarks apply to barb wire, when reduction is 25c per 100 lbs.

Live Stock Items.

The Commercial has arranged for a telegraphic report of the Toronto live stock market. This with the telegraphic report of the Montreal live stock market, previously arranged for, will supply valuable information to our important live stock interests, and should make The Commercial more valuable than ever before to shippers and dealers in live stock throughout the West.

A correspondent at Carberry, Man. says that there are four ranchmen in that district from the north of Calgary, buying up young cattle for the ranges, and they have secured a large number.

The first train load of export grass cattle went forward this season on Monday, July 12, from Winnipeg. They were western range cattle. Last year the first train load of range cat-

tle went east from Winnipeg on July 17th.

A stockyard will be built at Yorkton.

Mr. Barton, agent for Pat Burns, has shipped a carload of hogs west from Whitewood for the Kootenay.

J. M. Stewart, of Birtle, took a car of hogs to Winnipeg recently.

A Toronto telegram of July 14 says: Cattle market receipts for the half year show a big increase in both cattle and hogs over 1896, cattle having nearly 50 per cent. and hogs 15 per cent. increase.

The Lumber Trade.

A sawmill is being erected at Mossy River, Dauphin district, Man. The river is tributary to Lake Winnipegosis.

There is quite a boom in red cedar shingles just now. The Pacific coast mills on both sides of the boundary have more orders than they can fill. Prices are firm. Speaking of this situation the Minneapolis Lumberman says: "With the advance in the price of red cedar shingles, owing to the active demand this spring, more of an opportunity is given to white pine shingles to go into consumption. The fact is plain, however, that the red cedar shingle mills on the west coast cannot make enough shingles to satisfy the demand at present, and white pine and white cedar shingles must be called upon to help out."

Freight Rates.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says. There is a better feeling in the ocean freight market for grain, and ship agents have been enabled to secure 1 1-2d to 3d per quarter more for London and Liverpool, engagements have been made to the former port at 1s 9d to 1s 10 1-2d, and the latter at 1s 6d to 1s 7 1-2d. Glasgow is quoted at 6d to 1s 9d and Bristol 2s. There is a fair business in sack flour at 7s to 7s 6d, Liverpool, 9s to 10s London, and 8s to 9s Glasgow. Eggs continue to go forward 15s measurement to Liverpool. Cheese 20s Liverpool and London, and 25s Glasgow and Bristol. Freight rates on butter are 25s Liverpool and London, and 30s Glasgow and Bristol. Cattle freights 42s 6d to 45s. In lake and river freights engagements are reported of corn from Chicago to Kingston at 2 1-8c to 2 1-4c with 1-4c canal tolls, equal to 4 3-8c to 4 1-2c through to Montreal. Late charters of wheat from Fort William and Duluth to Montreal are reported at 4 1-2c per bushel.

R. P. Rithet & Co., of Victoria in their monthly shipping list say Vessels chartered for this year's salmon are now beginning to arrive, although of course loading will not begin until September. So far as can be judged at this early day the market has been decidedly over-provided for in the way of tonnage. The same sheet quotes grain at 22s 6d, San Francisco or Portland to Cork for orders and lumber at 31s 3d to Sydney and 57s 6d to United Kingdom ports, the latter from British Columbia ports.

The by-law has been carried at Fort William to raise funds by debentures to establish a system of water works.

Joseph Muhlolland, of Montreal, formerly of Winnipeg, hardware merchant, is dead.

TORONTO PROVISION MARKET.

There is a very active demand for all sorts of hog product here, both for the local trade and from outside points, and dealers can scarcely smoke and cure fast enough to keep up with the demand. The inquiry for smoked meats is especially good. Stocks are now in small compass and prices are held very firm. Quotations are as follows:

Barrel Pork—Heavy mess, \$13; short cut, \$14, clear shoulder mess, \$12. Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7 1-4c, ton lots 7 1-2c, backs 8 1-2c, shoulders 6 1-2c to 7c.

Smoked Meats—Hams, heavy, 11c; medium, 12c, light, 12c; breakfast bacon, 11c, backs 11 1-2c; picnic hams, 8c to 8 1-2c; rolls 8 1-2c; green meats out of pickle are quoted at 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 6 1-2c; tubs, 6 3-4c; pails, 7c; compound, 5c.—Globe.

CARELESS USE OF POISON.

Mr. Dixon, of Battleford, came to the city on Friday with a lot of furs for Frank Fightcap. He says wolves are plentiful in the Saskatchewan country this season. Mr. Dixon says that stringent regulations should be made to govern the putting out of poison, as an enormous loss is being occasioned by the careless distribution of poison by inexperienced hunters. The poison often gets drifted over with snow in the winter and remains there until spring, when it is eaten by wild animals, which are thus destroyed. While at Prince Albert recently Mr. Dixon said he heard a trapper say that he had counted nearly one hundred dead animals along one of the northern trails, while on his way in with furs. At this rate the valuable fur animals will be exterminated. Some advocate the entire prohibition of putting out poison to secure fur bearing animals, and think that only traps should be permitted.

WHEAT STOCKS IN CANADA.

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|--|-------------------|
| Montreal | 236,000 |
| Toronto | 86,000 |
| Kingston | 30,000 |
| Winnipeg | 220,000 |
| Manitoba elevators | 1,300,000 |
| Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin | 2,092,000 |
| Total July 3 | 25,730,000 |

MANITOBA WHEAT MOVEMENT.

Receipts of wheat at Fort William for the week ended July 10, aggregated 277,737 bushels, the shipments were 406,439 bushels and the quantity in store was 1,713,431 bushels. For the corresponding week last year receipts were 351,824 bushels and shipments 129,819 bushels. Stocks in store a year ago were 2,103,625 bushels.

LEATHERS.

The Toronto Globe says: The advance in the price of hides has caused a stronger feeling in the market for leathers and prices of a few lines have been advanced. The demand is not very active but prices are very firm. Sole and splits are each 1-2c higher, and holders are asking the advance even on large quantities.

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British Columbia Mines.

Vancouver, B. C., July 12.—The most important event of the week in local mining is the sale of 10,000 treasury shares of the Golden Cache, on Cay-cosh Creek, Illicoet district to an English syndicate at \$1.70 per share. The deal was completed Saturday and the money paid into the bank. While the names of the syndicate were not made public, it is known that for some weeks past, it has been picking up all the shares offered in both the eastern and local market, the price paid ranging from \$1.80 to \$2.25 and now the syndicate owns 100,000 shares and has a controlling interest in the mine, which was previously held by Dr. Montague and his associates. Before making the purchase of stock, the syndicate sent an expert to examine the mines and word has been received that the representative of the syndicate will be here the first week in August. Latest advices from the mine state that it is looking as well as ever and good progress is being made in erecting the stamp mill.

In sloping and drifting on the Fern Mine, near Nelson, it has been found that the ledge instead of being 21-2 feet wide was between 6 and 7 feet, of which from 50 to 60 per cent is free milling ore and the balance concentrating. As a result of this discovery, it has been decided to increase the capacity of the mill from 10 to 20 stamps and part of the machinery has already been shipped from San Francisco. Fifty men are now at work erecting buildings at the mine and the tramway, which will be 3,000 feet long. Two four horse teams are also employed hauling ore.

The Great Western mine in the Slocan, recently purchased by the Two Friends Mining Company of this city, has made the first shipment under its present ownership. President Lines estimates that in a short time the Great Western will ship eight tons of concentrates daily and at least one car of clean ore weekly.

Supt. Wing, of the Athabasca mine, owned by the British Canadian Gold Fields company, has just issued a report on the work done since May 15th, when the company commenced active operations. A large amount of preliminary work, such as building cabins, making roads, etc., had to be done, and work in the mine was somewhat retarded owing to water. At the old shaft near the top of the little ledge, the ledge dips at a low angle and is somewhat broken. This ledge is now being stripped and some very rich ore extracted, and 180 feet from quartz, but it is too early at present to tell much about it. In Fairview camp, the Stewwinder, Morning Star, Joe Dandy, Smuggler, Strawberry Group, Tin Horn and Fairview consolidated. The Tin Horn company is now erecting a stamp mill while the Smuggler people are using the Strawberry company's mill. Several strong quartz veins run through the country, says Carlyle. "They vary much in width running from two to twenty feet. Changes in the width are not great but they occur abruptly. The Morning Star milled 2,700 tons of ore at \$11 per ton on the plate. A mile the ore of the camp is low grade, but there are some very large veins and I think on the whole it can be worked profitably. It is about the old shaft another ledge of similar size has been struck. The first ship-

ment amounting to 33,268 pounds to the Nelson smelter netted \$1,003.12 after paying freight and treatment charges of \$12 per ton. At the present time, there are 300 sacks of ore on the dump ready for shipment, and the superintendent estimates it will go \$100 per ton. He expects shipments of twenty tons of first class ore weekly very shortly. Eighteen men are now employed, but this number will be increased to twenty-five.

Efforts are to be made at Revelstoke to have the Orphan Boy scandal made the subject of presentment by the grand jury at the assizes.

Nickel of high grade is said to have been discovered three miles above Ferguson in Lardeau district. The lode is four feet wide.

Thos. Richards and Fred W. Low, representing the Dominion Exploratory Company of London, Eng., are now examining claims in Boundary Creek district with a view to purchase.

It is stated in Spokane that negotiations for the sale of the Deer Park mine in Rossland district are nearly concluded. This mine has been closed down for some time.

Placer claims have been located on the Main Kettle River, 500 yards from the limits of the town of Grand Forks. Gold as high as 10 cents per pan, averaging 5 cents, has been found in the black sand of the river.

The Ilex mine in Slocan has shipped a carload of ore. It was consigned to Pueblo smelter.

Prof. Carlyle, provincial mineralogist, has just returned from a tour through Fairview and Boundary camps. He first went to Vernon, where he states there is a lot of three miles from the centre of the camp to Okanagan River, and there should be a tramway built down to the river so the ores could be taken there at a low cost for treatment. The Smuggler is making some improvements in its plant, and a good deal of work is being done on properties of the Fairview Consolidated. I may add that the ore of the camp is perfectly free milling and can be successfully treated by stamps. I went from Fairview to Camp McKinney, where I saw the Cariboo mine. It has a shaft down 170 feet, and in the bottom they are finding the best ore ever taken from the mine. Underground workings extend 700 feet on a solid ore chute, which surface workings indicate to be 1,200 feet long. The vein is from 4 to 6 feet wide, and the company claims to be saving from \$15 to \$16 on the plates. It is a fine property. I went to Midway for a short time, and then to Greenwood, where I spent three weeks in visiting all the surrounding camps. At Long Lake camp, Leslie Hill is doing some fine prospecting work in the Jewell. He has a vein of quartz which runs high in gold. Greenwood is the central point of what is going to be a good camp. There has not been a great deal of work done, but some large ore bodies have been found, though, as a rule, they are of low grade. I went down to Grand Forks to see the Volcanic, Pathfinder and other properties on the north fork of the Kettle river. The Volcanic surface showing is enormous, but it remains to be seen how much solid ore can be found, and how much it is worth. The Pathfinder looks well. Taking the Boundary country altogether, it is certainly one of the great

possibilities, I would be glad to see more active work done there, more real earnest mining. They will tell you they are waiting for a railroad, but it should not be forgotten that the best way to get a railroad is to show up enough ore to justify its construction."

At the present time, negotiations looking to the establishment of a smelter and refinery in Vancouver are at a standstill. A. F. Hogue, Canadian representative of the Universal Corporation, Limited, offered to construct two stack smelters of 100 tons capacity and refinery for \$100,000 bonus, payable at the rate of \$2 per ton on every 2,500 tons treated. The city council, however, considered the bonus too large. Another English company, who offered to construct the smelter just outside the city limits for a bonus of \$65,000, announces that it intends to commence building in September, and may submit another proposal to the council. The latter, however, seem unwilling to grant a cash bonus; free water and exemption from taxation for ten years being about the only inducement that will be offered.

Lanark mine at Lawrie in Illecillewaet district and owned by the Illicoet, Frazer River and Cariboo gold fields, (Horne Payne Co.) continues to ship steadily to the smelter at San Francisco, five cars of ore, having left here last night.

Rossland, B. C., July 12.—Shipments of ore from Rossland mines since January 1st total up 34,476 tons. Shipments for last week totalled 2,432 tons, as follows: Le Roi, 1,905; War Eagle, 250; Iron Mack, 48; Columbia and Kootenay, 76; Centre Star, 128; Cliff, 25. This is the largest output for any week in the history of the camp, the total for the previous week of 1,890 tons having been the largest up to that time. The Trail smelter has shipped as part product of the above ore, 3,345 tons of matte.

The Slocan has shipped since January 1st, via Kaslo, 14,109 tons of ore and concentrates, and via Nakusp 4,090 tons, a total of 18,199 tons. The Hall mines' smelter at Nelson, which treats the entire product of the Hall mines, together with small quantities of ore from Slocan and Rossland, has shipped 826 1-2 tons of matte.

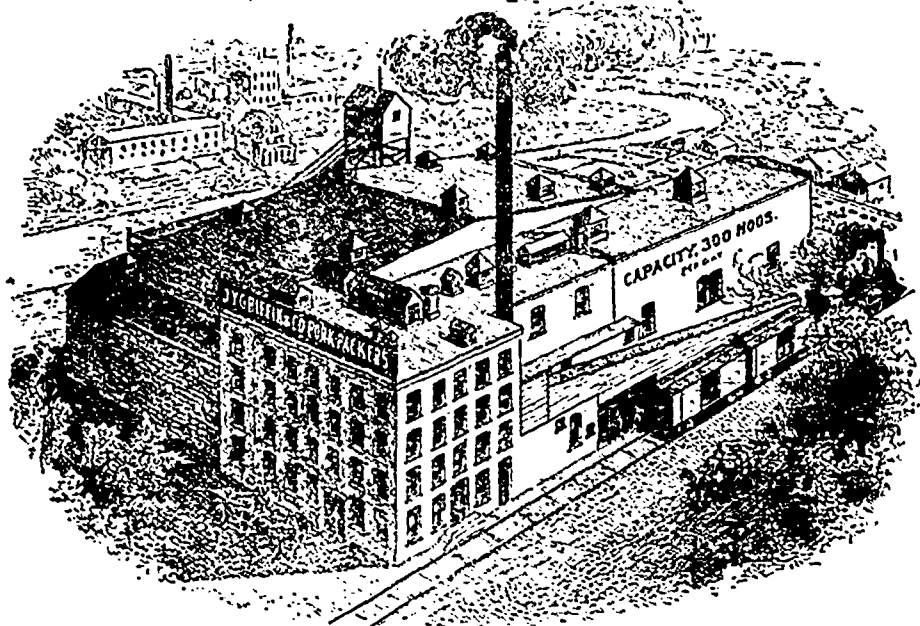
Meetings of the Homestake, Gopher and R. E. Lee companies were held here to-day and the sale of these properties to the Homestake Consolidated Gold Mines of London, England, was ratified. It is expected the new company will take charge and begin mining operations inside of fifteen days. The London company pays in cash or stock 12 1-5 cents per cent share for all stock of the above named companies which were capitalized for \$4,000,000 and provides a cash working capital of \$125,000.

THE COMMERCIAL MEN.

R. R. Gallagher western representative of S. Greenshields, Son & Co. of Montreal, is in Winnipeg this week, and is at the Manitoba with his samples.

Most of the travellers for city houses are in the city this week, to assist in entertaining and looking after the wants of the large number of retailers who will be in the city to attend the Industrial Exhibition.

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British Columbia Business Review.

Vancouver, B. C., July 13.—Trade continues up to the average and wholesalers are reaching out with more energy for the Northern and Kootenay trade. They believe they are not getting as much as their share both in Vancouver, Westminster and Victoria and in the struggle for supremacy the trade itself is being much stimulated.

In the British Columbia markets there has been a decline in the price of meats. But butchers claim this will not last. The ranchers have had abundant rain in the interior and the pasture is better than it has been for years, but unfortunately ranchers have been thinning out their herds so that they have had in the way of providing for their cattle in former years so that meats will be higher than they are now. There is none but grass fed cattle on the market. Grain and feed are firm. Customers are waiting for the new crop which will be in shortly. If the present fine weather continues even a day or two longer farmers will commence cutting their hay. They will be able to get it in early and although the crop is only a half a one. They will more than make up the difference on oats. This crop being early and heavy and will be harvested before the rainy season commences. In other years in British Columbia oats have been invariably caught in the rain and spilt.

Lumbering is very quiet as is usual at this time of the year. There have been but three ships loading lumber during the week. The sockeye salmon are commencing to run hard, but all is not joy among the canners. Owing to low price of salmon in England they are obliged to offer but 7 cents for fish; this it is said the fishermen have refused to accept, and as a consequence they held a meeting at which 1,000 fishermen attended, and sent word to the canners that unless they were prepared to give them fifteen cents for the entire season they would strike. The canners have refused, and speak of the fishermen's demands as absurd. A strike is threatened. It is also rumored that the government are to charge one cent a box on all salmon coming in from Pt. Roberts.

A creamery has been started in Westminster, and is making excellent butter. The outgoing steamer Warwick carried 60 tons of butter for Sydney shipped from New York in 2,500 boxes. Surely if New York can ship butter to Australia so can Manitoba.

The following are the inland returns for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1897, at Vancouver, showing the increase in business:

| | |
|-----------|-------------|
| July | \$12,056.14 |
| August | 14,453.20 |
| September | 12,536.75 |
| October | 12,178.46 |
| November | 10,606.80 |
| December | 10,519.75 |
| January | 12,597.09 |
| February | 16,164.92 |
| March | 20,680.71 |
| April | 17,656.16 |
| May | 12,635.32 |
| June | 15,383.53 |

Grocery Trade Notes.

Cables recently received quote an easier market on fliberts in Sicily, the damage to the coming crop not having been as great as was expected.

Reports from Smyrna are to the effect that the fig crop will be smaller than in former years, and will be two weeks later in arriving. The quality is expected to be good.

Advices from Smyrna state that the prospects for the growing crop of Sultana raisins continue to be favorable, and that a large output of fine quality is expected. The first shipment to New York will probably be made about the middle of August, arriving here a month later.

Cable advices report cream of tartar firmer and note an advance of 6d to 7s 7ds, and are the lowest figures makers will accept. Tartaric and citric acids are in good demand on spot and the market for such has been stronger and prices have advanced 2c per lb.

The Montreal Gazette says Outside of a few small lots of new Japan tea changing hands at prices ranging from 18c to 25c, the market is dull and without any new feature of note.

A large sale of Dutch sugar is reported from New York at .02 under U. S. refined.

Lemons are advancing in the eastern cities in Canada and the States, owing to the big demand, and caused by the long spell of excessively hot weather. Prices went up 75c to \$1 per box at Montreal, and buyers from the States were picking up surplus stock.

Strawberries sold as low as 1 cent per box in Montreal recently, owing to large receipts, but the quality of the fruit was not the best. Good fruit sold at 6c to 7c per box.

The California Fruit Growers says, There has been a change in the general condition of the growing crop. The sudden change of the weather from hot to cold, and the damage from vine hoppers has caused the grapes to drop heavily in some sections. Clusters and layers will not be abundant, while loose and seedless will be a heavy supply. The crop as a whole does not promise to be as heavy as a few weeks back, but there will be enough for all demands.

Prices for shipment of new crop currants from Greece have been made at a sterling figure equivalent to about 5c. This is said to be a purely speculative price, and as the outlook for the crop is somewhat uncertain, owing to vine diseases, the trade seems to be doubtful as to the results.

Grain and Milling News.

The Lake of the Woods Milling company have shipped a consignment of flour to British Guiana, South America.

An exchange says: "President Jas J. Hill, of the Great Northern railway, makes the statement that the road will ship not less than 90,000 bushels of wheat from the Northwest to China and Japan by way of Seattle." There is, of course, a big blunder somewhere about this item, as the Northwest has no such quantity of wheat to export over home milling requirements.

Oats advanced 1-4c at Montreal on July 8, with sales at 28 1-2c in store.

The Montreal Gazette of July 8 says: "Owing to the continued good

demand for Manitoba feed and the small offerings of such, the tone of the feed market is strong, and prices have advanced \$1 per ton, with sales of bran at \$13 and shorts at \$14 per ton, including bags.

The Toronto Globe of July 7, says of flour. There is more enquiry and the market is steadier. Two cars of straight roller sold Toronto freights to-day at \$3.40 and bids of \$3.20 west for cars of straight roller were refused. Manitoba flour was advanced 10c to-day at \$4.30 for patents and \$3.84 for strong bakers'.

Jas Modeland and F. Parker, a couple of farmers residing in the Elva district, have decided to erect a 25,000 bushel elevator at Elva, Man. It will be furnished with steam power, elevator and all the latest machinery.

Low & Tyron bankers and general merchants of Grenfell, have formed a partnership with T. W. Broady, a well known Winnipeg grain man, with the object of entering the grain trade. The firm will buy grain at country points and have an office in Winnipeg. A line of elevators will probably be established by the firm.

Hides, Wool, etc.

Bradstreets says of the United States wool market: There is a good speculative demand for wool, and owing to the prospect of the tariff being settled soon, prices are advanced about 1c on domestic grades.

The drop of 1c in hides at Montreal, reported by wire in The Commercial last week, was due to the 20 per cent. duty imposed by the new United States tariff on hides. At Toronto, however, hides advanced 1-2c the same week, as also noted by this journal last week.

Hides were firm at Toronto at 81-2c for No. 1 green.

On July 8 and 9 the London wool sales were active at about 5 per cent. higher for merinos. United States buyers purchased freely on July 8 for immediate shipment.

A Winnipeg wool dealer says that he believes a considerable quantity of wool is imported into Canada without the duty being paid thereon. Wool coming into this country is free, except such as are known as lustre or coming wools, which are dutiable at the rate of 3 cents per pound. This takes in Leicester, Cotswold, Lincoln and other combing wools, which form the bulk of the wool grown in Canada.

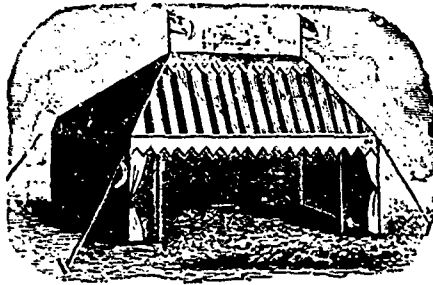
The Boston Commercial Bulletin says of the wool market. "The bottom of the wool market was reached in August, 1893. At that time fine staple Wyoming wool was 80d in the Boston market at 35c the scoured pound. This week fine Idaho staple has been sold in Boston on a basis of 43c the scoured pound. This price and other prices that have risen to correspond mark the highest level reached since July, 1896. Growers in Montana are getting 12c a pound for wool. A year ago they were shipping wool on consignment, with no advances, but of cost of freight.

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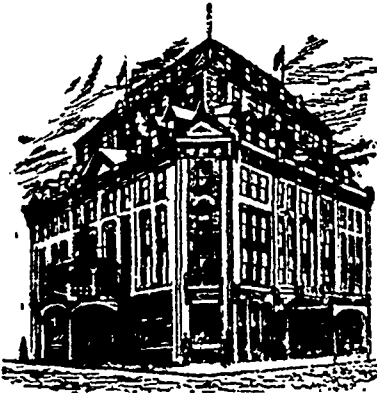


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| | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| Round and square iron | ... 3-4 to 2 | Inches. |
| Flat iron | ... 1 to 4 inches x 3-8 to 1 1-2 | |
| " | ... 4-8 to 6 in. x 3-8 to 1 | |

SMALL ROUND AND SQUARE IRON, EXTRAS.

| | | | |
|--------------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 5-8 and 11-16 inch | | per 100 lbs. | \$0.05 |
| 1-2 and 9-16 " | | | 15 |
| 7-16 " | | | 25 |
| 3-8 " | | | 35 |
| 7-16 " | | | 45 |
| 1-4 " | | | 60 |
| 3-16 " | | | 1.25 |

LARGE ROUND AND SQUARE IRON, EXTRAS.

| | | | |
|-----------------------|--------|--------------|----|
| 2-1/8 to 2-7/8 inches | | per 100 lbs. | 05 |
| 3 inches | | | 20 |
| 3 1/4 inches | | | 30 |
| 3 1/2 inches | | | 40 |
| 3 3/4 inches | | | 50 |
| 4 inches | | | 60 |

SMALL FLAT IRON, EXTRAS.

| | | | |
|------------------------------|--------|--------------|------|
| 1 to 6 inches x 1-4 and 5-16 | | per 100 lbs. | 15 |
| 1 to 6 inches x 3-16 | | | 30 |
| 7-8 x 3-8 to 3-4 inch | | | 30 |
| 7-8 x 1-4 and 5-16 inch | | | 35 |
| 7-8 x 3-16 inch | | | 45 |
| 2-4 x 3-8 to 5-8 inch | | | 30 |
| 2-4 x 1-4 and 5-16 inch | | | 45 |
| 2-4 by 3-16 inch | | | 60 |
| 2-8 x 3-8 to 1-2 inch | | | 45 |
| 2-8 x 1-4 and 5-16 inch | | | 60 |
| 2-8 x 3-16 inch | | | 75 |
| 1-2 x 1-4 to 7-16 inch | | | 75 |
| 1-2 x 3-16 inch | | | 1.00 |

LARGE FLAT IRON, EXTRAS.

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| inches | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 1-4 and 5-16 | 15 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 80 |
| 2-8 to 1 | 25 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 80 |
| 11-8 to 2 | 15 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 80 |

BAND IRON NO. 10 GAUGE.

| | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------|
| 1 to 6 inches | | per 100 lbs. | 30 |
| 2 1/2 inch | | | 50 |
| 2 3/4 inch | | | 70 |
| 2 7/8 inch | | | \$1.30 |
| 12 inch | | | 2.00 |
| Over 7 inches wide | at special price. | | |
| but not less than | 60c per 100 lbs. | | |

OVAL IRON, EXTRAS.

| | | | |
|---------------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 7-8 to 11-4 inches | | per 100 lbs. | \$0.30 |
| 11 to 13-16 inches | | | 45 |
| 5-8 to 11-16 inches | | | 60 |
| 1-2 to 9-16 inch | | | 80 |
| 2-8 to 7-16 inch | | | 1.00 |

HALF OVAL AND HALF ROUND IRON, EXTRAS.

| | | | |
|--------------------|--------|--------------|------|
| 7-8 to 11-4 inches | | per 100 lbs. | 40 |
| 11 to 13-16 inches | | | 30 |
| 11 to 11-16 inches | | | 80 |
| 1-2 to 9-16 inch | | | 1.20 |
| 2-8 to 7-16 inch | | | 1.40 |

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An Interesting Trip.

Manager Whyte, Sunday returned from his first official trip over the western lines of the C. P. R., having been absent about two weeks, and during that period had visited the ranching districts of the Territories, the mining regions of the Kootenay, and inspected the company's interests on the Pacific. On the trip the manager was accompanied by Messrs. L. A.

Hamilton, land commissioner; J. A. M. Atkins, solicitor; W. Cross, general master mechanic; and J. McGillivray private secretary; all of whom also returned yesterday. Mr. Whyte continued direct to Rat Portage, where his family have taken up residence at their summer cottage. Speaking of his observation in the mining district, the manager said business was good at all points, particularly at Slocan and Rossland, and miners were enthusiastic as to the future of the industry. Great as has been the development in both the gold and silver regions, the prospectors were confident that on completion of the Crow's Nest Pass railway and the branch lines contemplated by the C. P. R. in the Kootenay country the advance will be still more marked. The Le Roi company have ordered machinery for a smelter, but the location of the works is yet undecided, as the directors are desirous of selecting a site that will assure them the cheapest fuel and be most convenient for accumulation of ores, therefore will be guided in their decision, at least to some extent, by the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway.

"The crops all along the line are very good," replied Mr. Whyte, in answer to an inquiry in that respect, "and the season could not be better for the ranchers," adding that the cattle and horses looked well.

The damages on both the main and branch lines, occasioned by the late cloudburst, have been repaired, and the service is now fully restored, though large gangs of men are still at work on permanent improvements and betterments along the line. In respect to the removal of the shops from Donald to Calgary, Golden and Revelstoke, it had been in contemplation for some time, to enable more expeditious execution of repairs, and to meet the changed conditions, consequent on the extension of traffic over the Calgary and Edmonton branch lines and south from Revelstoke into the Kootenay country.

With respect to work on the Crow's Nest Pass railway, Mr. Whyte said the engineers had the line located and everything was ready for the commencement of grading operations. A large number of men will be employed, and the company was desirous that the unemployed in the country have first preference. In fact, it was hoped that the prosecution of construction would be of great benefit to the farming and commercial interests of Manitoba and the Northwest, in the furnishing of supplies, and this was evidenced by the fact that so many local contractors were proceeding to Macleod with the prospect of securing portions of the work, and were ordering their necessities in the city.

Financial and Insurance Notes.

The Victoria, B. C., city council has passed a by-law for submission to the ratepayers to provide \$14,000 for an admiral's residence, which it is proposed to present to the Imperial government.

The rate of taxation at Victoria, B. C., for the current year was fixed at a total, including general board of health and school purposes, of 18 mills on land values, and on 50 per cent. of the assessed value of improvements.

Winnipeg banks are notifying depositors that the rate of interest on deposits will be decreased to 8 per cent. after July 15th.

Manitoba.

The Vulcan Iron Co., Winnipeg, are busy on elevator work. They have contracts for supplying machinery for a large number of elevators. The company turned out last week a steam roller for Kelly Bros, Winnipeg, for use in the asphalt pavement work now being done in the city. The roller weighs over five tons, and is the first steam roller ever made in the west. A visit to the Vulcan Iron works would dissuade people from the idea that Winnipeg is not becoming an important manufacturing city.

Toombs & Co., general merchants of Carman, have bought the general stock of Richardson & Loro, of the same place, at 70 cents on the dollar. The stock is considered a good one, though the price realized is also a good figure.

The customs department has made Morden, a port of entry, with J. T. Pound as collector.

NORTHWEST ONTARIO.

Aemilius Jarvis & Co., stock brokers, in their last circular regarding Ontario mines, says: There has been a further general decline during the month in the prices of shares of leading companies in which transactions take place. Closing quotations for the month: Saw Bill, \$2.50; Foley, \$2 to \$2.25; Bannockburn, 10c to 15c; Hammond Reef, 30c to 35c; Empress, 5c to 10c; Hawk Bay, 30c to \$1; Princess, 20c to 25c. Locations in prospectors' hands have ruled low and business in them is slack; prices run from \$100 to \$1,200. Locations partly developed have been very quiet, prices remain firm, the highest transaction recorded being \$25,000 for a Seine River location.

During June letters patent have been issued to the following mining companies: The New Ontario Mining and Development Co., capital \$50,000 in \$1.00 shares; the Gold Horn Mining company, capital \$45,000 in \$1.00 shares; the Fort Francis Mining company, capital \$40,000 in \$1.00 shares; the Mines Selection Company of Toronto, capital \$200,000 in \$1.00 shares; the Golden Star Mining and Exploration company of Ontario, capital \$1,000,000 in \$1 shares; the Mineral King Mining and Development company, of Ontario, capital \$17,000 in \$1.00 shares.

ENGLISH WHEAT CROP.

According to the Mark Lane Express it is generally estimated that the English wheat crop will show an average of 28 bushels to the acre, which is about two bushels below the normal.

CUTTING WHEAT IN ONTARIO

Cutting of Ontario wheat was begun to-day at Thorold and Clatham, and it is expected that in a week or ten days this cutting will be general throughout the province. The crops, according to reports received by leading grain men, are looking very fine, the quality of wheat is promising, and the prospects are that we shall have a big lot of wheat for export.—Toronto Globe, July 12.

The White Swan factory, which recently made a shipment of butter to British Columbia, is located at Bowden, Alberta, and not Calgary, as stated.



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The Crops.

The crop report for the week ending July 8th, from Northern Pacific railway agents in Manitoba is as follows: Brandon—The weather continues dry and warm. A rain would benefit the crops, but they are not suffering for it. Wheat is well headed out, but oats are not looking as well.

Routhwaite—Crops still looking well. Wheat nearly all well headed out. Oats a little backward. We have had two or three light showers since last report. Weather mostly warm.

Wawanesa—Weather during the past week very favorable for the growing crop. Wheat is headed out and looking fine in this vicinity. A good shower of rain would help matters some. No damage by hail.

Hilton—Weather and crop report not much changed since last week's except that a good shower of rain would do a great deal of good. Reports from farmers indicate that they will have a fairly good crop, barring accidents.

Belmont—Weather still continues very favorable for coming crop, have had sufficient rain to carry crop, nearly through. Wheat is looking good, most of it is headed out, showing that with favorable conditions a bountiful crop will be the result. Farmers are jubilant over the fine prospects which they say have not been as good for several years.

Baldur—The new crop is looking as well as can be expected. Farmers are complaining of extraordinary growth of weeds which in some fields are choking out the grain; this misfortune however, is attributed chiefly to bad farming. Weather chiefly clear and warm with light south to southwest winds. One or two light showers since last report.

Somerset—Grain of all kinds looking fine. Had a nice rain Saturday night. Wheat is heading out nicely. Farmers are getting ready to make hay, some will commence next week.

Miami—Weather warm, frequent showers during the week. Wheat now all out in head and looking fine. Farmers say they never saw better prospects for a heavy crop. Have had no hail or wind storms during the season.

Rosebank—The weather the last week has been very warm, with only a couple of showers of rain. The crops are all growing well. Wheat is heading out. Vegetables are a fair crop but hay is light.

Roland—Weather during the past week warm with light showers. All wheat field is heading out rapidly.

Morris—Crops looking splendid and heading out nicely. In a good many places noxious weeds seem to be troubling some, mustard, tumbling weed, French weed and crowfoot. Some places you cannot see the grain for weeds especially along the river between Morris and St. Jean. A number of farmers have already commenced haying. Ground still moist and in good condition.

St. Jean—Saturday evening, July 10, one hour's hard rain. Weather hot. Grain doing well.

Letellier—During the past week the weather has been favorable for the growing grain which is in splendid condition. Farmers are of the opinion that this year's will be the largest yield for the past few years. Most of the wheat is headed out. All garden

stuff doing well. There is an abundance of hay in this vicinity.

Emerson—Crop prospects remain bright and encouraging. Frequent showers and fine growing weather.

Portage in Prairie—Since last report the crops have made fair progress, but it has been very dry here for the past week, and some fields of late sown wheat are in need of rain. Wheat crop on summer fallow and the earliest sown fields are looking fine and give promise of a fine yield, but on late sown fields it will be lighter, though immediate rains would make a vast improvement in such fields. Oats and barley are doing well and promise a fair crop. Root crops are excellent.

The Live Stock Trade.

At London on July 12, cattle were firmer, owing to an improved demand and somewhat lighter supplies. Prices advanced 1-4c to 1-2c per lb. Choice States cattle sold at 11c, Choice Canadians at 10 1-2c, and Argentines at 9 1-2c. The market for sheep was strong, and prices were 1-2c to 1c per lb. higher at 10 1-2 to 11c.

At Liverpool on July 12, the market for cattle was weak, declining 3-4c to 1c per lb. Choice United States steers were quoted at 10 1-4c and choice Canadian at 10c. Sheep steady at 10c.

In regard to ocean freights says the Montreal Gazette, the market remains about steady at 42s 6d to 45s for Liverpool space, and at 30s to 35s for London.

At the East End Abattoir Market, Montreal, on July 12, the supply of cattle was small, but the market was weaker and prices declined 1-4c, due to the fact that the bulk of the stall fed stock has been marketed and the quality of grass-fed is not up to the mark yet. Choice butchers' cattle sold at 4c to 4 1-4c; good, at 3 1-2c to 3 3-4c; fair, at 3c to 3 1-4c, and common, at 2 1-4c to 2 3-4c per lb. Owing to the continued unfavorable advices from abroad on sheep, and the fact that recent sales reported netted the shippers a loss of \$1.25 per head, there was a weaker feeling in sheep, and prices declined 1-4c per lb. Sales of good to choice stock were made at 3 1-4c to 3 1-2c, and fair, at 3c per lb.

At the Point St. Charles market Montreal on July 12, the demand for cattle was slow, there being only one or two loads changing hands at 2 1-2c to 3c per lb., and one small lot of export stock was purchased at 4 3-8c per lb. The sheep offered were of good quality, and were bought on export account at 3 1-4c per lb, live weight. Hogs met with a ready sale at 4 3-4c for heavy and 5 1-4c for light weights per lb.

Legal Decisions

Yesterday at the court house, before Sir Thomas Taylor, chief justice, the following cases on the Wednesday paper were heard and disposed of:

Bertrand vs. Teichman—J. M. Teichman, who carried on a tea store on Main street, left the city in May last leaving numerous mourning creditors. On his departure his wife and clerk sold up the stock or part of it, to realize as much as possible and transmit the proceeds to Teichman in Chicago; \$275 was paid to the C. P. R. Telegraph company to be sent to Chicago,

but the assignee heard of it and procured an injunction to restrain the company sending the money. An order has now been made for payment over of the amount to the assignee, as part of the estate, for the benefit of the creditors. Mr. Phippen appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Minty for the C. P. R.

Judge Cumberland has just rendered his decision in the case of the appeal brought by the Manitoba Mortgage & Investment company against the municipality of Strathclair for wrongful assessment. The case has an important bearing upon the system of assessment, which has been almost invariably followed by the municipalities, their contention having generally been that a uniform assessment, irrespective of the value of the different parcels of land, was legal. The effect of the decision in this case by Judge Cumberland is, however, that this mode of assessment is illegal, and that the actual values of the lands shall be the values for assessment purposes. Some of the land, assessed at \$1 an acre, was reduced by the judge to \$1 an acre. This decision will probably operate as a check upon lavish expenditures by the municipalities, some of whom, in the belief that they could simply raise the assessment to whatever figure they saw fit, provided they did not levy beyond the 2 per cent. limit as required by the assessment act, did not hesitate to demand from the ratepayer a tax that became a serious burden and operated against the sale of his lands. Doubtless the municipalities will hereafter discriminate in their land values for the purposes of taxation. The lands of the above company were chosen by the Land Mortgage Company's association, composed of all the representative land and loan companies doing business in the province, for the purposes of this appeal, and it will be a source of satisfaction to all interested that the law on this point has been clearly established.

Montreal Wheat Sale.

Montreal, July 16.

A leading Manitoba miller made a sale of a lot of No. 1 hard Manitoba wheat at Fort William yesterday. He states the sale will net better results than by holding the wheat and manufacturing it into flour. Wheat at Fort William and Kingston is being taken by transportation companies; they have offered a contract to deliver wheat at Kingston at a rate of 3 cents per bushel, or 5 cents per hundred pounds; Toronto, 4 cents per bushel or 6 1-4 cents per hundred pounds; to Montreal 5 cents per bushel or 8 1-3 cents per hundred pounds; while the lake and rail rate on flour from Fort William to these points in 15 cents per hundred pounds. The point made is that transportation companies just now are carrying wheat to many Ontario points and Montreal relatively cheaper than they are taking flour; for this reason Manitoba millers are beginning to sell their wheat rather than grind.

Macleod, N. W. T., July 14.—The first fifty miles of the Crow's Nest road grading has been let. Strevel gets the first five miles from Lettbridge, Foley Bros. and Doheny get thirty-five miles, McCrimmon five miles, McArthur five miles. The first sod was turned at Lettbridge to-day.

British Columbia Notes.

The Kootenay Lumber Co. has opened a yard at Nelson.

Buckley Hardware Co. is opening business at Nelson and Ferguson.

J. C. Douglas (formerly of Chilliwack and Vancouver) is opening in wholesale liquors at Grand Forks.

Wm. Johnston, baker, Kamloops, style now Johnston & Barber.

The following have opened business at Kaslo: Crescent Dry Goods Co. Ltd., of Rossland, have opened a branch store; Ed. Hicks, hotel; E. F. Stephenson, late of Parkhill, Ont., drugs.

W. Lee & Co., general store and flour mill, Pavillon, are out of business and succeeded by R. & W. Cummings.

C. F. Reid has opened in drugs at Revelstoke.

R. S. Wilson, tailor, Revelstoke, is opening a branch at Ferguson.

A. McBride & Co., hardware, are opening a branch at Fort Steele.

F. Claire is opening a hotel at Silverton.

E. Barrett & Co. are opening a general store at Slocan City.

H. King is opening a general store at Trout Lake.

The following items are reported from Vancouver: Macfarlane & Co., assigners and mining supplies, dissolved; Wm. Templeton, groceries and wholesale meats; closed out meat department; Vancouver Biscuit Co. Ltd., balliffs sale advertised.

The British Columbia Commercial Journal, Victoria, published by L. G. Henderson, has discontinued publication.

Thos. Garvin, saloon, Victoria, has formed a partnership with Henry Marr.

The Dominion government has notified the collector of customs at Vancouver that no duty would be charged on fresh salmon brought from the United States for canning purposes.

The fishing season opened last night. The trouble between the canners and fishermen is practically settled by a compromise at ten cents per fish, instead of 15 cents, as demanded by the men and 8 offered by the canners.

SALE OF COAL MINES.

Monday afternoon at the court house before Mr. Justice Killam, another application was made with regard to the Roche Perce Coal company. Mr. I. Campbell, Q.C., appeared for the liquidator and stated that an offer had been received from Mr. Leonard Cocher, of Birmingham, England, to purchase all the assets of the company, including the plant, trucks, book debts and all the estate and interest of the company in the lands they held, and in two switches put in by the C.P.R. for the sum of \$15,500 cash, which would be more than sufficient to pay all the creditors in full. The liquidator approved of the offer. Mr. George Patterson represented all the creditors, except the Banque d'Hochelega, and one of the shareholders, Mr. Minty, of the C. P. R., Mr. A. J. H. Dulme, the Banque d'Hochelega and other shareholders were represented by Mr. Phippen and Mr. Gilmour. Mr. Robinson appeared for the purchaser. As all the parties interested consented to the acceptance of the offer his lordship made an order that the offer be accepted and gave the necessary directions for the same to be carried out.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, July 17.

Cattle—Export 4 to 4 1-4c; cattle, butchers', 3 1-2 to 4 1-4c.

Sheep—3 1-4c to 3 1-2. Easier at a decline of 1-4c from the top range of a week ago.

Hogs—4 3-4c to 5 1-4c. Good demand. These prices show a shade higher than a week ago.

Exports this week were as follows: Cattle, 3,500; sheep, 4,609.

Good export inquiry for horses at advanced prices.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, July 17.

Special to The Commercial.

Wheat—No. 1 hard, nominal at 78c to 79c.

Oats—No. 2 white in store, 28 1-4 to 28 3-4c; firm and higher. These prices show an advance of 1-4 to 1-2c on the week.

Flour—Manitoba strong bankers, \$3.70 to \$3.90; Manitoba patents, \$4.10 to \$4.25. Fair demand.

Millfeed—Unchanged. Manitoba bran, including sacks, \$12.50 to \$13 per ton; Manitoba shorts, \$13.50 to \$14. Good demand.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.45 to \$1.55 per bag. Prices strong.

Hides—Firm and 1-2c higher at 7 1-2c for No. 1, and 6 1-2c for No. 2.

Eggs—Fresh, 9 1-2 to 11c. The top price for candled stock.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, July 17.

Prices unchanged this week in staples. Fair jobbing trade. Sugar stronger but unchanged. Granulated 4 to 4 1-2c; yellows, 3 1-4 to 3 5-8c. Teas active.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET

At the semi-weekly market at Toronto on Tuesday, July 13, the best export sold at 4 3-4c and the usual price was 4 to 4 1-2c. For butchers' cattle there was a fair demand and prices were firm at 2 1-4 to 3 1-2c. Everything sold. There were quite a few deals at \$3.30 to \$3.35 per cwt. The market for sheep was a little weaker at 3 to 3 1-4c for export. Butchers' sheep were quoted at \$2.50 to \$3 each. Lambs were firmer for choice at \$3 to \$3.50 each. Choice selections of bacon hogs were firmer owing to light offerings, selling at \$5.50 to \$5.75, weighed off the cars. Light hogs were quoted at \$5 to \$5.25. Heavy \$4.75 to \$5.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Mullins & Wilson wire The Commercial the following report of prices realized at the semi-weekly live stock market at Toronto, on Friday, July 16th.

Toronto, July 17.

Seventy-nine loads of stock were offered.

Cattle—Exporters paid 4 1-4c to 4 3-4c. Best butchers' cattle sold at 3 1-2 to 4c. Export bulls, 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c. These prices show an advance of 1-4c for export and 3-8 to 1-2c for best butchers' cattle, over a week ago.

Sheep—Export sheep brought 3 1-4c, a decline of 1-4c, bucks 2 1-2 to 2 3-4c, lambs 4 to 4 1-4c.

Hogs—Hogs, slungers, \$5.75 per 100 lbs.; thick fat and light fat, \$5.12 1-2 per 100 lbs, weighed off cars. These prices show an advance over a week ago of 12 1-2 to 15c per 100 lbs.

MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.

Flour—10c higher. First patents \$4.10 to \$4.30; second do., \$3.95 to \$4.05, in wood.

Millfeed—25 to 50c higher. Bran in bulk \$5.25 to \$5.50; shorts, bulk, \$6.25 to \$6.50.

Corn—20 to 23c, as to grade.

Oats—19 to 20c for No. 3, as to quality.

Barley—Feed grade at 25 to 25 1-2c. Flax seed—1-2c higher at 75c per bushel.

Eggs—7 1-4 to 8c for strictly fresh, candled.

Butter—Creamery, 10 to 14c; dairy, 8 1-2 to 12 1-2c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 6 to 8c.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 6 to 6 1-2c; yearlings, do., 7c; lamb, 6 to 9 1-2c.

Dressed hogs, 3 3-4 to 4c for heavy; choice, 4 1-4 to 4 1-2c.

BANK CLEARINGS.

New York, July 16.—Bank clearings totals at eighty-seven cities for the week ending July 15th, as telegraphed to Bradstreet's, show total clearances \$1,032,479,114, an increase of 7.8 per cent as compared with the corresponding period last year. Outside of New York city the clearances were \$448,807,489, increase, 3.7 per cent. The clearances for the Dominion of Canada were: Montreal, \$18,466,314, increase 11.7 per cent; Toronto, \$7,352,818, increase 11.5 per cent; Halifax, \$1,288,253, increase 4.9 per cent; Winnipeg, \$1,253,198, increase 4.1 per cent; St. John, \$761,560; Hamilton, \$632,763, increase 4.2 per cent.

MONEY RATES.

New York, July 16.—3 p.m. Money on call easy at 1 to 1 1-4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at \$4.87 to \$4.87 1-4 for demand, and at \$4.86 to \$4.86 1-4 for sixty days. Posted rates, \$4.87 to \$4.87 1-2 and \$4.88 to \$4.88 1-2. Commercial bills, \$4.85. Bar silver, 60 1-4. Mexican dollars, 46 7-8. Government bonds firm.

Winnipeg Clearing House.

The following are the returns for week ending July 15th, 1897

| | Clearings | Balance |
|--|--------------|-----------|
| Total for week ending July 15, 1897..... | \$ 1,253,198 | \$150,772 |
| Total for week ending July 15 1896..... | 1,201,728 | 203,311 |
| Total for week ending July 15, 1895..... | 905, 08 | 131,43 |

DAIRY QUOTATIONS

Montreal, July 16.—Cheese—Full Quebecs 7 1-2 to 7 3-4c; Ontarios 8 to 8 1-4c.
Butter—Dull; creamery, 56 boxes and tubs 17 to 17 1-2c.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS

Liverpool, July 16.—12.30 p.m.—Wheat firm, demand moderate; holders offer sparingly. No. 1 California 6s 6d to 6s 7d; No. 1 red northern spring 6s 4d to 6s 5d. Corn quiet; demand moderate.

A dispatch from Russia says the spring wheat crop is greatly damaged, while the winter wheat crop is expected to be very light.

New York Wheat.

New York, July 12.—Wheat — Receipts 135,775 bushels; exports 71,462 bushels; sales 1,600,000 bushels futures; 200,000 bushels spot. Spot firm; No. 1 Northern Duluth 81 1-2 f.o.b. afloat. Options opened barely steady under weak cables; rallied sharply on covering; was weakened by a disappointing visible supply decrease, but recovered on late covering and a large reduction in English stocks, closed 3-8 to 1-2c net higher. Sales included No. 2 red July opened 77 to 77 1-4, closed 77; September opened 71 to 71 5-8, closed 71 1-2; October closed 71 1-8; Dec. opened 72 1-2 to 73 5-8, closed 73 3-8.

New York, July 13.—Wheat receipts, 29,600 bushels; exports, 5,075 bushels; sales, 2,000,000 bushels futures, 16,000 bushels spot; spot firm; No. 3 New York, 81 5-8 afloat; No. 1 Duluth, 82 1-8 f.o.b. afloat. Options opened firmer on strong cables, ruled generally firmer all day on light receipts of new wheat and finally advanced sharply on a war scare, closing 1 1-8 to 1 5-8 net higher. Sales included: No. 2 red, July, 77 1-8 to 79 1-8, closed 78 3-4; Sept., 71 3-4 to 73 1-16, closed 72 3-4; Dec., 72 3-4 to 74 3-4, closed 74 1-2.

New York, July 14.—Wheat, receipts, 163,725 bushels; sales, 2,745,000 bushels. Spot steady. Late August, 75c f.o.b. afloat. No. 1 Northern, Duluth, 81 1-4 f.o.b. afloat. Options opened stronger on higher Liverpool cables, eased off under realizing; rallied sharply on the heavy decrease in Bradstreet's world's stocks and disappointing arrivals of new wheat west, but eased off near the close under further realizing sales; closed unchanged to 1-4c net decline. Sales included No. 2 red, July, 78 7-8c to 79 1-8c, closed 78 5-8c; Sept., 72 3-8c to 73 3-16c, closed 72 3-4c; Dec., 74 1-8c to 74 7-8c, closed 74 1-4c.

New York, July 15.—Wheat receipts, 142,975 bushels; exports 23,983 bushels; sales, 2,805,000 bushels futures, 140,000 bushels spot. Spot stronger. No. 1 Northern Duluth, 81 5-8 afloat; 82 1-2 f.o.b. afloat. Options opened strong on higher cables, eased off under real zing, but rallied and advanced in the last hour on good foreign buying and export business for the Argentine; closed 1 1-8 to 1 3-8 net higher. Sales included: No. 2 red July, 79 7-16 to 80c, closed 80c; Sept. 73 1-4 to 74c, closed 74c; Dec., 74 11-16 to 75 1-4, closed 75 3-8.

New York, July 16.—Wheat — Receipts 134,925 bushels; sales 4,805,000 bushels futures; 8,000 bushels spot. Spot stronger; No. 2 red 77 3-4 late Aug. f.o.b. afloat; New York, 81 1-2 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth 83 f.o.b. afloat. Options opened strong on higher cables eased off under long and short selling, but developed pronounced strength and activity in the afternoon on a short scare over reports of heavy acceptances here and at outports closed 1 1-2 to 1 3-4c net higher. No. 2 red July opened 80 1-8 to 81 1-2 closed 81 1-2; Sept. opened 74 1-8 to 75 3-4, closed 75 3-4; Dec. opened 75 1-4 to 77, closed 77.

On Saturday, July 17, wheat closed at 82 3-4c for July option, 78 1-4s for September and 77 3-8 for December. A week ago July wheat closed at 76 5-8c.

William Buck, the well known stove manufacturer of Brantford, Ontario, died suddenly last week, of heart failure.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Chicago, July 12.—The leading futures closed as follows:
Wheat—July 70; Sept. 65 3-4 to 7-8; Dec. 67 5-8 to 3-4.
Corn—July 25 3-4; Sept. 26 5-8; Dec. 27 5-8.
Oats—July 17 5-8; Sept. 18 1-8 to 18 1-4.
Mess pork—July \$7.17; Sept. \$7.52.
Lard—Sept. \$3.90; Oct. \$3.95.
Ribs—Sept. \$4.35.

Chicago, July 13.—The leading futures closed as follows:
Wheat, No. 2 July, 71 3-4; Sept., 67; Dec., new, 68 3-4 to 7-8.
Corn, No. 2 July, 25 7-8; Sept., 26 3-4; Dec., 27 3-4.
Oats, No. 2 July, 17 7-8; to 18; Sept. 18 1-4.
Mess Pork, July, \$7.50; Sept., \$7.55.
Lard, Sept., \$3.92; Oct., \$3.95.
Short Ribs, Sept., \$4.32; Oct., \$4.35.

Chicago, July 14.—The leading futures closed as follows:
Wheat, No. 2, July 72 1-4c; Sept., 67c; new Dec., 68 3-4c.
Corn, No. 2, July, 25 3-4c, Sept., 26 1-2c; Dec., 27 1-2c to 27 5-8c.
Oats, No. 2, July, 18c; Sept., 18c to 18 1-8c.
Mess pork, July, \$7.42 1-2; September, \$7.45.
Lard, Sept, \$3.90, Oct., \$3.95.
Short ribs, Sept., \$4.27 1-2, Oct., \$4.32 1-2.

Chicago, July 15.— The leading futures closed as follows.
Wheat, July, 74; Sept., 68 1-4; Dec., 69 3-4.
Corn, July 25 5-8; Sept., 26 3-8; Dec., 27 3-8.
Oats, July 17 3-4; Sept. 17 7-8, May, 20 1-2.
Pork, July, \$7.42 11-2; Sept., \$7.50.
Lard, Sept, \$3.95; Oct., \$3.97 1-2.
Ribs, Sept., \$4.32 1-2; Oct., \$4.37 1-2.

Chicago, July 16.—The leading futures closed as follows.
Wheat, No. 2.—July, 75 1-2; Sept., 70 1-4; Dec., new, 71 1-2.
Corn—July, 25 7-8; Sept., 26 1-2; Corn—July, 25 7-8, Sept., 26 1-2 to 26 5-8; Dec., 27 1-2 to 27 5-8.
Oats, No. 2.—July, 17 5-8, Sept., 18 May, 20 1-2; to 20 5-8.
Mess pork—July, \$7.50; Sept. \$7.57 1-2.
Lard—Sept., \$4.10; Oct., \$4.12.
Short ribs—Sept., \$4.10; Oct., \$4.15.
Hogs—Receipts, 21,000.

On Saturday, July 17, wheat opened at 70c for September option and ranged from 69 3-4 to 71 5-8. (Closing prices were:
Wheat—July 75, Sept. 69 3-4, Dec. 71 1-4.
Corn—July 26 1-2, Sept. 27.
Oats—July 17 3-8, Sept. 18.
Pork—July \$7.52 1-2, Sept. \$7.60.
Lard—July \$4.05, Sept. \$4.10.
Ribs—July \$4.35, Sept. \$4.45.
Flax seed—Cash 80 1-2, Sept. 80.
A week ago July wheat closed at 70 1-4c. A year ago July wheat closed at 55 3-4c. Two years ago at 66 1-4c, and three years ago at 53 3-4c.

Montreal, July 16.—C. P. R. in London, 67 3-4; Com. Cable, Montreal, 173 1-8

Montreal bicycle dealers had a lively time last week, competing to supply the Montreal police force with wheels. Coverhill, Learmont, were awarded the contract for their famous Cavalier, made in Breville, Ill., in competition with fifty of the best United States and English bicycles.

WESTERN BUSINESS NOTES

Addison & Co. have opened a general store at Rosenfeld, Man.
Lawthorn & Co. have opened a general store at Russell, Man.
F. E. Stevens has opened a private bank at Se Kirk, Man.
J. W. Fuerton has opened a harness shop at Stonewall, Man.
Geo. A. Vant has opened in the hardware trade at Wawanosa, Man.
E. L. McDonald, Jeweler, is reported to be discontinuing business at Wawanosa, Man.
Paul & McKinnon, coal dealers, Winnipeg, have dissolved. Archibald McKinnon retires.
Ellis & Son, livery, have succeeded P. C. Duncan at Estevan, Assa.
L. J. Arnold has opened business in stoves, etc., at Moose Jaw, Assa.
J. Brass, stoves and tins, Moose Jaw, is reported to have discontinued business there.

Stewart & Lewis are opening a general store at Rat Portage.
J. C. Stewart, who has conducted a general store and the post office at Stonewall, Man., for a number of years, has sold out to John Gunn, of the same place.
Miss Ross, dressmaker, has commenced business at Belmont, Man.
F. F. Sparks, hardware dealer, Belmont, Man., is adding furniture.
C. E. Pineo, who has taken over the Griswold branch store of Pineo & Merriek, as noted last week, is adding groceries.
M. Lion, tailor, has started business at La Borderie.
Reimer & Co., general store, are reported succeeded by N. T. Kerry & Co. at Otterburne, Man.

NEW CANNED STRAWBERRIES.

Scott & Peter, brokers Winnipeg, have been showing samples of new domestic canned strawberries, which are pronounced by the trade to be elegant goods, and about the finest ever shown here. They are the Log Cabin brand.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:
Monday—July 73c, September 66c.
Tuesday — July 74 1-2c, September 67 1-2c.
Wednesday — July 74c, September 67 1-2c.
Thursday—July 75c, September 68c.
Friday — July 77 1-4c, September 70 1-4c.
Saturday — July 77c, Sept. 70c, Dec. 70 3-4c.
Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 78c, and cash No. 1 Northern at 77c.
Last week September delivery closed at 65 3-4c.
A year ago September option closed at 57c, and two years ago at 65 3-4c.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

The local market was unsettled today (Saturday) owing to the wide range of prices at Chicago. At the top sales were made here at 76 1-4c for No. 1 hard, and possibly a fraction more was made on private sales, but the close was easier at about 76c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT

On Saturday, July 17, No. 1 Northern wheat closed at 76 3-8c for July and 67 1-8c for September, and 68 1-8c for December. A week ago July wheat closed at 72 1-4c.

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Our representative, **MR. W. S. CRONE**, will occupy Rooms Nos. 620 and 621 **HOTEL MANITOBA** from July 16th to 31st, and will show the best range of samples ever opened up in **Winnipeg** for the **Fall and Christmas Trade**.

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Brandon Fair.

Brandon, July 15.—There is every indication that the fair to be held in Brandon, Aug. 3rd, 4th and 5th, will be a record breaker in the matter of the number of people who will be in attendance. The directors started in over three months ago to make the fair a success in every particular, and they are likely to have the satisfaction of knowing that their labor has not been in vain. Printers' ink and push have been brought into play with a view to making it in every sense Western Manitoba's big fair. The exhibition will stand in the same relative position to western Manitoba and Assiniboia as the great Industrial stands to the whole of the province. The new association is proving to be a lusty youngster, and one which in some departments will compare favorably with its older and more favored sister, the popular Industrial. Excursions to the fair will be one of the marked features of this year's management. Two special trains will run into the city on the fair dates, from the Great Northwest Central, and excursions will also be run over both the main and branch lines of the C. P. R. The N. P. R. will also bring in its crowd of excursionists. The different companies for these special trains have the association's guarantee that a certain number of tickets will be sold. The first to arrive with his stock exhibit is W. A. Johnson, who arrived from North Dakota to-day. Mr. Johnson enters his three horses for competition in three classes and also in the speeding contests. These animals are now domiciled at the stables on the association grounds.

Review of Trade.

New York, July 15.—R. G. Dun & Co's weekly review of trade, to-morrow, will say: Excepting the great coal miners' strike, which may terminate at any time, there is scarcely a feature of the business outlook which is not encouraging, the season considered. Crop prospects have been improved by needed rains in some regions and foreign advices continue to promise a large demand in many home industries, particularly in building, there is more activity than in any year since 1892 and the week has brought a better demand in boots and shoes and in woollens, while the movement of freight, mainly iron ore, through Sault Ste. Marie canal, is the largest in its history. With money markets unclouded, there is nothing in sight to hinder rapid improvement when uncertainty about legislation has been removed, for the miners' strike could not last long if business and industries should become active.

The advance in wheat to 81 1-2 cts was not due to the government estimate, which was followed by a decline, but to foreign advices and considerable buying for export. Wheat closed four cents higher for the week, and corn 1-2 cents higher. Cotton is a sixteenth higher; the closing or partial stoppage of important New England mills hardly neutralizing, in market estimation, the apprehensions of injury from drought.

The output of iron furnaces July 1 was 164,064 tons weekly, against 168,380 June last, but several furnaces have gone into blast since July 1, and the output is large for the season.

Failures in the first eight days of July were only \$1,557,401, against \$4,417,965 in nine days last year, with manufacturing \$735,586, against \$2,176,333 last year and trading \$814,815, against \$1,979,654, last year.

New York, July 16.—Bradstreet's review to-morrow will say: The duldest month in the industrial year is fuller than usual, notwithstanding improvement among potter and others. This is due to a reaction in iron and steel, prices of which are back to lowest points on record; a dragging demand for boots and shoes, and a threatened famine of blumbous coal. There are more coal miners out than at this time last week, and notwithstanding assertions that arbitration will end the strike in the near future, some of the larger operators in the Pittsburg district declare there is nothing to arbitrate. Manufacturers of cotton goods and their agents report trade slow, owing to higher cost of cotton, and low prices for goods. This shuts down a number of cotton mills in Massachusetts and in Rhode Island. A fairly steady business is reported by eastern manufacturers of shoes, but this trade at Philadelphia is dull, merchants hesitating to place orders. Western wholesale dealers in clothing report distribution unsatisfactory. Western bar iron mills are already shut down, and if the coal strike lasts another week, thousands of factory wheels will stop turning. This checks the stronger and more confident feeling in industrial circles, which was so pronounced a fortnight ago.

Winnipeg Hardware and Metal Prices.

Tin—Lamb and Flagg, 56 and 28 lb ingots, per lb 19@20c.

Tin Plates—Charcoal plates, I C, 10 x 14, 12 x 12 and 14 x 20, \$4.50@4.75; I X, same size box, \$5.75@6; I C, charcoal, 20 x 28, 112 sheets to box, \$8.50@9; I X, box, 20 x 28, 112 sheets, \$10.50@11.

Terne Plates—I C, 20 x 28, \$8.50 @ 9. Iron and Steel—Bar iron, 100 lbs., base price, \$2.15@2.25; band iron, 100 lbs., \$2.65@2.75; Swedish iron, 100 lbs, \$5.25 @6; sleigh shoe steel, \$3@3.25; best cast tool steel, lb., 9@11c; Russian sheet, lb., 12@13c.

Sheet Iron—10 to 20 guage, \$3; 22 to 24 and 26 guage, \$3.25; 28 guage \$3.50.

Canada Plates—Garth and Blaina, \$3.15. Galvanized Iron—American, 20 guage, \$1.22 and 24 guage, \$4.25; 26 guage, \$4.50; 28 guage, \$4.75 100 lbs.

Iron pipe is quoted as follows per 100 feet: 1/2 inch, \$2.50; 3/8 inch, \$2.75; 1/2 inch, \$3; 5/8 inch, \$4; 1 inch, \$5; 1 1/4 inch, \$7; 1 1/2 inch, \$8.50; 2 inch, \$11.50.

Lead—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2c. Sheet Zinc—In casks, \$5.75 lb., broken lots \$6.

Solder—Half and half (guar) per lb., 14@16c.

Ammunition—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American discount 40 per cent; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 and 5; rim fire military, American, net list; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent, shot shells, 12 guage, \$8@7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 5 1/2c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6c. Robin Hood powder, 17 lb kegs, \$10; 1/2 kegs, 4 1/2 lbs, \$3; Canister, 9 oz., 60c. Loaded shells, 12 guage, soft shot, \$18 per 1,000. No. 10 guage, \$20.70 per 1,000.

Wire—Galvanized barb wire, \$2.65@2.85 100 lbs.; Plain wire and staples, \$2.75@2.80.

Rope—Sisal, lb., 6 1/2@6 1/4c base; manilla, lb., 7 1/2@8c base; cotton, 1/2 to 1 inch and larger, 16c lb.

Axes—Per box, \$6@9.

Nails—Cut, keg, base price, \$2.50 for 20 to 60d., with new classification of extras; common steel wire nails, 4 1/2@6 inch, \$2.65 per keg, with usual extras for smaller sizes.

Horse Nails—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List price as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box; No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount off above list prices 5 per cent.

Winnipeg Prices of Paints, Oils, Glass, etc.

Following are close jobbing prices, as to quantity:

White Lead—Pure, \$5.75 100 lbs. Prepared Paints—Pure liquid colors, gallon \$1.15@1.25.

Dry Colors—White lead, pound, 7c; red lead, kegs, 5 1/2c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 2 1/2c; less than barrels, 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 3 1/2c; less than barrels, 4c; Venetian, red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 3 1/2c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb., Paris green, 18@19c; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots, 2 1/2c; less than

barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, 100 lb. kegs, 4c; less than kegs, 4 1/2c lb.

Varnishes—No. 1 furniture, per gallon, \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.50; elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$1.50@1.75; hard oil finish, \$1.50@2; brown Japan, \$1; house painters' gold-size Japan, \$1.50; coach painters' do., \$2 @2.25; No. 1 orange shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50.

Sundries—Glue, S. S., in sheets, lb 12 1/2 @15c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 16 @25c. Stove gasoline, case, \$4; benzine, case, \$4. Axle grease, imperial, case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, case, \$3.75; Diamond axle grease, \$2.25 case. Coal tar, barrel, \$7. Portland cement, barrel, \$4@4.25; plaster, barrel \$3.25; plasterers' hair, P. P., 90c bale. Putty, in bladders, barrel lots, 2 1/2c lb., do., in 100 lb kegs, 2 1/2c., do., less than barrels, lb, 3c. Alabastine, cases of 20 pkgs., \$6.50@7.50 as to color.

Window Glass—First break is quoted at \$1.75 per box of 50 feet and \$2 for second break.

Linseed Oil—Raw, gal., 50c; boiled, gal., 53c in barrels; less than barrels, 5c gallon extra, with additional charges for cans.

Turpentine—Pure spirits in barrels, 55c; less than barrels, gallon, 58c. An additional charge for packages for small quantities.

Oils—Range about as follows: Black oils, 25@30c gallon; clear machine oils, 33@40c; cylinder oil, 50@75c, as to quality; castor oil, 11c per lb; tanners' or harness oil, 65c; neatsfoot oil, \$1; steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 gallon.

Refined Petroleum—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 18 1/2c; crescent, 22 1/2c; oleophene, 23 1/2c in barrels. Car lots, 1c gallon less. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 27c for cocene and 24c for sunlight.

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store at Fort William, 57c; No. 2 hard, 55c.

Flour—Local price, per sack: Patent, \$1.75 @ 1.80; bakers', \$1.55 @ 1.60.

Bran—Per ton, \$8. Shorts—Per ton, \$10.

Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 15 @ 16c. Car lots at country points, 9 1/2 @ 10 1/2c.

Barley—Car lots at country points worth 12 @ 13c. Nominal.

Butter—Dairy, good to choice, jobbing at 7 to 9c as to quality and quantity; creamery, 14 @ 14 1/2c.

Cheese—From 5 1/2 to 5 1/4c has been paid to factories to ship west.

Eggs—Fresh, jobbing at 9 1/2 @ 10c, and dealers are paying 8c net.

Beef—City dressed, 5 @ 5 1/2c. Mutton—8c; lamb, 12c.

Hogs—Dressed, 5 @ 5 1/2c. Cattle—Easier at 2 @ 3c for butchers' stock.

Hogs—Live, off cars, 3 1/2c for best bacon.

Sheep—Lower, 3c off cars. Hides—No. 1 green, salted, 5c.

Seneca Root—Dry, 12 to 15c. Poultry—Chickens, 40 @ 50c per pair; turkeys, 10c per lb. live weight.

Potatoes—15c per bushel. Hay—\$5.00 @ 5.50 for baled on track.

Wool—5 to 9 1/2c as to quality; fine, heavy wools selling at the lower prices.

British Columbia Markets.

[All quotations unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.]

BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, July 17, 1907.

Butter—Manitoba dairy 16c; Manitoba creamery, 20c.

Eggs—Eastern eggs, 15c.

Cheese—Manitoba 12 1/2c.

Cured Meats—Hams 13 1/2c; breakfast bacon 13c; backs 9 1/2c; long clear 9 1/2c; short rolls 9 1/2 @ 10c; smoked sides 10 1/2c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per lb, in pails and tubs 9 1/2c lb.

Fish—Founders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; black cod 5c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 5c; herring 4c; spring salmon 6c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked halibut 10c; kippered cod 9c; sturgeon 6c; smoked salmon 10c; finnan haddie 10c; kippered herring 12c; Columbia river oolochians 7c lb.; fresh halibut, 6c.

Vegetables—New Potatoes, \$1.25 per 100 lbs; onions 1 1/2c lb; cabbage 1 1/2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets \$10.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons \$3.00; bananas \$2.75 per bunch; cherries, 8 lb box \$1.10; oranges, California Mediterranean, \$4.00; California Valencia \$4 box; asparagus, 20 lb box \$1.80; cucumbers, 6 doz. box \$1.25; peas, 30; lb crate \$1.70 apricots \$1.10; Pineapples, doz. \$2.00; plums, 20 lb boxes, 90c; peaches, 90c; apricots, 90c.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.80; 2-45 pound sacks \$2.80; 4-22 1/2 pound sacks \$2.50; 10.7 sacks, \$2.00; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2-50's \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.50.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$5 50; strong bakers, \$5.20; Oregon, \$5 80.

Grain—Local wheat \$30.00 @ \$35.00. Oats \$26 per ton.

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$23.00@24.00 per ton; ground barley \$22 ton; shorts \$21.00 ton; bran \$19.00; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff. Higher prices for bran and shorts next week.

Hay—\$17.00 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef 7 @ 8c; mutton 8@10c; Australian mutton, 5c; pork, 7 1/2@8 1/2c; veal 8@9c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, grass fed \$3.50 @ 3.75, per 100 lbs; sheep \$3.75 @ 4.00 per 100 lbs; hogs \$6.00@6.75 per 100 lbs.

Poultry—Chickens \$5.50@6.00 a doz. Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 11c per lb; peaches 9c; plums 9@10c; prunes, French 5@7 1/2c; loose Muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6@8 1/2c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13c; filberts, 12 1/2c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12 1/2c; walnuts, 13c lb.

Sugars—Powdered and icing, 6 1/2c; Paris lump, 5 1/2c; granulated, 4 1/2c; extra C, 4 1/2c; fancy yellows 4c; yellow 3 1/2c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 1 1/2c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2 1/2c; 5 gallon kegs, \$1.50 each; 1 gallon tins, \$1 case of 10; 1/2 gallon tins, \$1.75 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11 1/2c; good, 13c; choice 26c. Ceylons: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

Winnipeg, Saturday, July 17.

Jobbers have been preparing this week to receive the large number of merchants from provincial and territorial points who are expected to take in the Winnipeg Industrial exhibition. In clothing and such lines fall goods are now being shipped and in dry goods travellers are working mainly for fall orders. The season for new goods in groceries is approaching. Some lines of new canned goods and dried fruits will be coming forward before long. The possibility of the preferential clause of the new tariff being abolished, is a feature of some concern in such lines in which British goods figure to a considerable extent. There appears also to be still some uncertainty regarding the new United States tariff. Further changes are possible yet in wool, hides, lumber and sugar, these being the lines over which there is most contention. It is possible that the tariff may be finally passed before this issue reaches the reader, and on the other hand it may hang fire for some time yet, owing to the strong fight that is being made by those interested in the lines of trade mentioned. In the local grain trade matters are quiet so far as actual buying and selling is concerned, but considerable attention is being given to preparations for the new crop. Several new grain concerns will be operating on the next crop and new lines of elevators are being established. Competition has been very keen in the Manitoba grain trade for some years, and it looks as if it would be keener than ever during the next grain season. The export trade in grass cattle has begun and promises to equal if not exceed former years, but the large number of stocker cattle which are being sold to go to the United States does not promise well for next year's trade in exporting fat cattle. The selling of stocker cattle seems a short-sighted policy on the part of Manitoba farmers. An effort is being made to prevent the introduction of foreign laborers to work on the Crow's Nest railway construction. Mercantile collections are slow, but this is a usual feature of July and August season. Bank clearings at Winnipeg continue larger than in corresponding weeks of previous years. Interest remains steady at 7 to 8 per cent. for ordinary discounts or mortgage loans.

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Saturday Afternoon, July 17

CLOTHING.

The clothing houses are already beginning to make shipments of fall orders. The sorting trade this season

has been of moderate proportions, and payments of late have not been any better than last year at this season.

DRY GOODS.

Jobbers have been busy this week preparing to receive the large number of merchants who will be in the city during exhibition week. The warehouses are now making a fine display of sorting and fall trade goods. The mid-summer sorting trade is reported to be rather better than last year. Travellers are now working mainly on fall trade, and the prospects are regarded as very encouraging.

FISH.

There is no change. Jobbing prices are as follows: White 51-2c, pickerel 4c, trout 9c, haddock 8c, salmon 12 1-2 to 15c lb., kippered goldeyes, 30c doz. Oysters are quoted at 70c for selects in cans.

GROCERIES.

Sugars are more active. Advices from Spain state that Valencia raisins will be ready to ship about the first of August. Samples of new domestic canned strawberries have been shown here, but no new canned goods are in yet. New peas are expected soon. Jobbers are not anxious to have early shipments, as there are fair stocks in most lines. No business has been done here yet in new teas, buyers being inclined to hold off for an easier market. Salmon is offering at the coast \$1 per case less than last year, owing to the demoralized state of the English market for this class of goods. See quotations on another page.

GREEN FRUITS.

The first new southern apples have arrived. They are in barrels, and are rather better quality than first arrivals in most years, but this is perhaps owing to the fact that local dealers did not take the earliest offerings. In a couple of weeks a better quality will be offering. Bananas of good quality are now offering freely, the scarcity having been overcome. Lemons are firm, and stocks here are not large. If the present warm weather continues a further advance in lemons is considered certain. California lemons are arriving, besides limited stocks of Messinas are held. Very good varieties of California plums, are now offering, and the peaches which are now coming forward are of good quality. The first California Bartlett pears have arrived and are of very fair quality. Stocks of oranges are light. The only shipping oranges are California late Valentinas, and as these oranges average large sizes, it is impossible to fill orders in small sizes to meet the desires of customers. In a car of these oranges there may be only a dozen or two boxes of small sizes, the great bulk being 150 size. Pineapples are scarce the market being bare yesterday, but this may be only temporary. California cherries are about out of season and the market is about bare of this fruit. In cabbage the market is now supplied with local stuff. Prices are: California late Valencia oranges \$6 to \$6.50 box; Messina lemons \$6 to \$6.50; bananas, \$2 to \$2.75 per bunch; pineapples, \$2.50 to \$3 dozen; pea plants, 1-2 cents per pound; tomatoes, \$1.75 per crate of 4 baskets; California cherries, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per box; apricots, \$2 box; California plums, \$2 to \$2.25 box; California peaches, \$2 per box;

California pears, \$3.50 to \$4 per box; onions, \$4 per 100 lbs; cucumbers 75c per dozen; watermelons \$5.50 per dozen.

HARDWARE.

We publish this week in another column the new list of extras on bar iron and steel. This list has been adopted by Canadian manufacturers, and is almost the same as the scale of extras used in the United States. It is somewhat higher than the old Canadian list of extras, which has been used for some years. The decline in bar wire in the east has not affected this market, as the local prices of wire are lower, even since this reduction, than eastern prices, with freight added from eastern points to Winnipeg. There are no other changes to note here this week. See quotations on another page.

LEATHER AND HARNESS TRADE.

The local saddlery trade was somewhat unsettled by the changes in the tariff. On account of the placing of a duty of 30 per cent on saddle trees and wood stirrups, it was found necessary to wish raw price lists. The manufacture of saddles is a very important interest here, particularly the class of saddles used in the western range country. These saddles are made mostly in Winnipeg and Calgary, and the saddle trees and wood stirrups from an important part of the raw material used by our saddlers. These articles formerly came in free. In the recent tariff revision a duty of 30 per cent was placed on these articles. Mr. Hu Ahling, who is a saddler, Winnipeg, promptly took the matter up by wire with members at Ottawa, and through his efforts, no doubt, the government was induced to strike off the duty which had been put on these lines. The duty therefore remained in force only about a month, but it caused some inconvenience to the trade here by making it necessary to revise price lists twice, when the duty went on and then again when it was taken off. Saddles are very largely used in the west, and the duty, if retained, would have been a considerable drawback to the important local manufacturing trade in saddles.

PAINTS, OILS, ETC.

Prices are steady and without change this week. See quotations in another column.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—The wheat markets have been firm this week, and yesterday there was a very active market and a strong upward movement at leading wheat centres. Reports of crop damage in Russia and the eastern European states was the principal feature. The local market has promptly followed the advance, and bids were made yesterday afternoon on the local market at 76c for No. 1 hard, also Fort William, which shows an advance of fully 5c per bushel on the week. In the forenoon yesterday sales were made at 75c for No. 1 hard and 73c for No. 1 northern. On Monday the market was about 71c for No. 1 hard, No. 2 hard 3c under No. 1. No. 1 hard 4c under No. 2.

FLOUR—There is a firmer tendency in flour owing to the advance in wheat. Millers complain that prices have been unsatisfactory, owing to cutting in Manitoba grades in eastern markets. Here the tendency was to

advance prices at the close of the week and 10c per sack higher was being asked on some brands. Prices are quoted as follows: Patent, \$1.95 to \$2.05; bakers' \$1.75 to \$1.85; second bakers, \$1.50 to \$1.65; XXXX, \$1 to \$1.10 per sack of 98 pounds, to the local trade, delivered in the city.

MILFEED—The demand for bran and shorts for shipment east keeps up very active and Manitoba millers are realizing good prices in Montreal for their shipments. The local demand is also good, and prices are again quoted higher this week, the advance this week being \$1 to \$1.50 per ton. Bran is now quoted at \$3 per ton and shorts at 10 per ton, with large lots shaded about 50c per ton.

BARLEY—Nominal at 23 to 24c for feed grade.

OATS—There has been quite a flurry in oats on the local market this week, owing to a considerable demand for shipment west for the Crow's Nest railway construction. Sales have been made at advanced prices. Choice white oats have been sold in car lots here at 25c to 26c, equal to a good No. 2 white or better, and sales of good black and mixed have been made at 23 to 23 1/2c. The market has quite a show of strength at the moment but it will depend on supplies coming forward whether it will hold or not.

CEREALS—Rolled oatmeal, 60 lb. sacks \$1.50 per sack; granulated, 98 lbs. \$1.75 standard, 98 lbs. \$1.75. Rolled wheat, 80 lbs. \$1.75 sack; pot barley, 98 lbs. \$1.75; pearl barley, 98 lbs. \$2.25 sack.

GROUND FEED—Rolled oats are held at \$15 per ton, ordinary mill chop, per ton, \$13.

BUTTER—Creamery. The market is perceptibly firmer, buyers having been paying up to 15c to factories, which shows a shade higher prices. There has been very little eastern shipping yet, and it is being held or going west. Offerings indicate that the make is not very heavy.

BUTTER—Dairy. The market for dairy butter has been decidedly firmer, owing to a considerable demand for shipment west for railway construction. Prices have advanced about 1c per lb., and buyers are now paying 10 to 12c for round lots of dairy here. It will not do, however, to get prices up very much, as it would endanger the coming in of supplies from eastern markets.

CHEESE—The market is easier. Sales have been made at 6 1/2 to factories, and buyers look for a 6c market, as they claim they cannot get less equal to Ontario cheese in eastern markets.

BGS—Buyers are paying 10c net, and selling candied stock in a small quantity at 12c. Receipts are moderate and all are wanted.

BELTRY—A few spring chickens come in, and brought 30c per lb. Chickens are rather firmer. Hens, live, 50c to 55c pair, or 10c dressed. Turkeys, 9 1/2 to 10c per lb. weight, ducks, 50 to 60c pair.

WOOL—Prices are: Pure \$1.70 to \$1.85 for 20 lb., balls, and \$4.25 for 40 lb. balls; pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$8.00 per cwt. of 80 pounds, tierces 8 to 8 1/4c.

DRESSED MEATS—There is a decided feeling in hog products. Prices are Hams, as sorted ones, 11 to 12c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 11 to 12c; 2c, backs, 9 1/2 to 10c; short

spiced rolls, 7 1/2 to 8c; shoulders 6 to 6 1/2c; smoked long clear, 8 1/2 to 9c; fancy clear, 8 to 8 1/2c; dry salt meats are quoted; long clear bacon, 7 to 7 1/2c per lb.; shoulders, 5 1/4 to 5 3/4c; boneless shoulders, 6 1/2 to 7c; backs, 7 1/2 to 8 1/4c; extra charge of 1/2c for canvassed meats; barrel pork, clear mess, \$13.00 to \$13.50; short cut, \$15.50 to \$16; rolled shoulders, \$13 to \$13.50; per barrel. Pork sundries, fresh sausage, 7 1/2c, hologna sausage, 6c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 3c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 25 to 30c lb. Pickled pigs' feet, \$1.50 per pall.

DRESSED MEATS—Beef is easier, and is selling at 5 1/2 to 6 1/2c. Mutton is easier, ranging from 5 1/2 to 7c as to quality, which is a further decline of 1/2 to 1c. Dressed hogs bring 5 1/2 to 6c, mostly 5 1/2c. Veal 4 to 6c as to quality. A further decline for beef is expected soon.

HIDES—Local prices are irregular. Up to 7c has been paid for good take off in city hides, and the usual price for country stock is 6 1/2c, and 6c for farmer hides, all for No. 1 grade. We quote 6 1/2c to 7c for No. 1 hides here. Calfskins, 8 to 15 pound skins, 6 to 8c per lb; deskins 10 to 20c each; kids, 5 to 7c; sheepskins range from 75c each to 90c according to quality; clips 10 to 20c; lambskins, 10 to 20c; horse-skins, 75c to \$1.25.

SENECA ROOT—The price generally quoted is 15c per lb, and 15 to 16c has been paid for lots put up for sale by tender this week. Some buyers are talking lower prices. Offers are not encouraging to holders to ship out at present.

WOOL—The wool market continues irregular and prices are decidedly lower here, buyers having got over their activity to buy to ship to the States. The United States tariff, however, still hangs fire, and at the London wool sales this week United States parties were active buyers at firm prices, no doubt expecting to get the wool in before the tariff went into effect. We quote unwashed fleeces here at 8 to 9 1/2c as to quality.

TALLOW—Quiet and easy at 3 1/2c for No. 1 and 2 to 2 1/2c for other grades, as to quality.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes are still held at 75c per bushel, but are rather slow sale, as new potatoes will soon be abundant. New southern potatoes are quoted at 2c per lb. The market is well supplied with new vegetables and green stuff. Beets, turnips, carrots, and rhubarb are quoted at 15c per dozen bunches; lettuce, radishes and onions, 8c to 10c per dozen bunches; peas in pod, 3c per lb; cauliflower 50c per dozen; cabbage, 40 to 50c dozen.

HAY—The demand is very limited. We quote \$4.50 to \$5 per ton for cars on track here as to quality; loose, \$3 to \$4 per ton.

WOOD—Tamarac, \$4.50 to \$4.75; pine, \$4.25 to \$4.40; poplar, \$3 to \$3.25 for car lots on track here, per cord. The popular offering is either dry cut or green wood of last winter's cut.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—The feeling is decidedly easier for butchers' cattle. Some grass cattle are offering, but there are only a few yet that are passably fit for the market. Grass cattle, butchers' stock, are quoted at 2 1/2 to 3c, but choice butchers' stock will bring 3 1/2c, for partly grain fed. A

declining market is looked for, with the probability that 3c will soon be the top for butchers' stock, and 2 1/2c for the general run of cattle. The first trainload of export grass cattle went forward on Monday, consisting of western range stock of course. Manitoba grass cattle are not fit to ship.

SHEEP—Local dealers are well stocked with sheep bought earlier. Latest purchases cost about 3 1/4c. No loads of sheep have been in for some days, but two or three loads were reported coming to-day. It looks now that 3c would be the outside they will bring, and possibly lower, the market being well stocked and easy. Some dealers have stock in the west yet, which they purchased earlier, to ship here. A bunch of lambs sold at 3 3/4c, and we quote lambs at 3 1/2 to 4c.

HOGS—A good many hogs were in this week for the local packing trade. Choice bacon hogs, weighing 150 to 250 pounds, have brought \$1.60 per 100 pounds. Heavy, 3 1/2 to 3 3/4c.

COWS—Slow demand at \$25 to \$30 per head for good to choice milkers. Inferior animals from \$18 per head upwards, as to quality.

THE CHEESE MARKETS.

Belleville, Ont., July 13.—At the board to-day twenty-five factories offered 2,130 white and 75 colored cheese. Sales, 485 white at 7 7/8c; 400 white at 7 3/4c; 815 white at 7 7/8c; 75 colored at 7 7/8c. The same week last year 2,692 boxes were offered and 490 sold at 6 5/8c to 6 7/8c. Ingersoll July 13.—Offerings to-day, 2,113 boxes first week July makes. Sales, 200 at 8c, 122 at 8 1/16c.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Wheat—Red is quoted at 65c and white at 66c north and west Manitoba wheat 76 1/2c to 77c on track Violeirich and 74c to 75c for No. 2 hard.

Flour—Cars of straight roller are quoted west at \$3.15.

Milled—Shorts are in demand and steel at \$10.50 to \$11 west and \$8 for bran west.

Barley—Nominal at 26c for No. 2 and 2 1/2c to 2 3/4c for feed outside.

Oats—Are fully 1c dearer, with holders of white asking 2 1/2c to-day. Exporters say they cannot pay that price.

Butter—Dairy tub selling at 11c to 11 1/2c. Creamery is in good demand at 16c to 17c, jobbing prices.

Eggs—Prices unchanged at about 9 1/2c for new laid.—Toronto, July 14.

From France the report is that the strength at Paris, showing an advance in wheat equal to 1 1/4c, and in flour to 2 1/2c per barrel, is corroborative of the universal advance in cereals everywhere.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 16.—An advance of 45 cents on all coal from the West Virginia fields coming into Cleveland, was made this morning. The increase was forced by the Baltimore & Ohio, which raised its freight rates on West Virginia coal 45 cents, making the rate to Cleveland \$1.50, instead of \$1.05. It was reported yesterday that such an advance had been made, but the valley people, otherwise the Baltimore & Ohio, denied it at that time. It affects all roads to which the Baltimore & Ohio transfers west coal.

Winnipeg Grocery Prices.

| Canned Goods | | Per case | | Cereals | | Per sack | | Nuts | | Per pound | | Teas | | Per pound | |
|-------------------------------------|----|----------|----|---------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|----|------|---------|------------------|--------|---------------|--------------------|-----------|---|
| Apples, 35, 2 doz. | 25 | 2 | 50 | Split Peas, sack 98 | 2 | 25 | 2 | 50 | Brazils | 12 1/2 | 15 | China Blacks— | | | |
| Apples, preserved, 35, 2 doz. | 3 | 25 | 3 | 50 | Pot Barley, sack 98 | 1 | 50 | 2 | 00 | Taragon Almonds | 13 | 15 | Choice | 35 | 4 |
| Apples, gallons (per doz.) | 2 | 25 | 2 | 50 | Pearl Barley, sack 98 | 1 | 00 | 4 | 50 | Peanuts, roasted | 13 | 15 | Medium | 25 | 4 |
| Blackberries, 25, 2 doz. | 3 | 25 | 3 | 50 | Rolled Oats, sack 50 | 1 | 50 | 1 | 00 | Peanuts, green | 10 | 12 | Common | 13 | 7 |
| Blueberries, 25, 2 doz. | 1 | 50 | 2 | 75 | Standard Oatmeal, sack 98 | 1 | 00 | 2 | 00 | Grenoble Walnuts | 15 | 15 | Indian and Ceylon— | | |
| Beans, 25, 2 doz. | 1 | 50 | 2 | 75 | Granulated Oatmeal, sack 98 | 1 | 00 | 2 | 00 | French Walnuts | 13 | 15 | Choice | 35 | 4 |
| Corn, 25, 2 doz. | 1 | 50 | 2 | 75 | Beans (per bushel) | 1 | 00 | 1 | 25 | Sicily Filberts | 12 1/2 | 15 | Medium | 25 | 4 |
| Cherries, red, pitted 25, 2 doz. | 4 | 75 | 5 | 00 | Cornmeal, sack 98 | 1 | 35 | 1 | 50 | Shelled Almonds | 25 | 30 | Common | 25 | 2 |
| Peas, Marrowfat, 25, 2 doz. | 1 | 50 | 2 | 00 | Cornmeal, 1/2 sack 40 (per 1/2 sack) | 0 | 70 | 0 | 75 | | | | | | |
| Peas, sifted, 25, 2 doz. | 2 | 00 | 2 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peas, Bartlett, 25, 2 doz. | 3 | 50 | 3 | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peas, California, 2 1/2, 2 doz. | 4 | 75 | 5 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peas, Bartlett, 35, 2 doz. | 5 | 50 | 6 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pineapple, 25, 2 doz. | 4 | 50 | 5 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pineapple, imported, 25, 2 doz. | 5 | 50 | 6 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peaches, 25, 2 doz. | 3 | 50 | 4 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peaches, California, 2 1/2, 2 doz. | 4 | 75 | 5 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Peaches, Canadian, 35, 2 doz. | 5 | 50 | 6 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plums, 25, 2 doz. | 3 | 50 | 4 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plums, California, 2 1/2, 2 doz. | 4 | 50 | 5 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pumpkins, 35, 2 doz. | 2 | 25 | 2 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Raspberries, 25, 2 doz. | 3 | 25 | 3 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Strawberries, 25, 2 doz. | 4 | 00 | 4 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tomatoes, 35, 2 doz. | 2 | 15 | 2 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Salmon, talls, 15, 4 doz. | 5 | 50 | 6 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Salmon, Cohoes talls, 15, 4 doz. | 5 | 50 | 6 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sardines, domestic 1/8 | 06 | 05 | 06 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sardines, imported, 1/8 | 09 | 15 | 09 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sardines, imp. 1/8, boneless | 20 | 35 | 20 | 35 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sardines, Dom., mustard 1/8 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Imported Fresh Herring, 15, 1 doz. | 1 | 50 | 1 | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Imp. Kippered Herring, 15, 1 doz. | 1 | 90 | 2 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Imp. Herring, Tom. Sauce 15, 1 doz. | 2 | 00 | 2 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Imp. " Anch. Sauce 15, 1 doz. | 2 | 00 | 2 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Imp. " Shrimp Sauce 15, 1 doz. | 2 | 00 | 2 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Canned Meats | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Corn Beef, 15, 2 doz. | 3 | 00 | 3 | 25 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Corn Beef, 25, 1 doz. | 3 | 50 | 4 | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Launch Tongue, 15, 2 doz. | 5 | 50 | 6 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Launch Tongue, 25, 1 doz. | 6 | 50 | 7 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Brawn, 25, 1 doz. | 2 | 50 | 2 | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pigs Feet, 15, 2 doz. | 5 | 50 | 6 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Roast Beef, 25, 1 doz. | 2 | 50 | 2 | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chicken, Duck or Turkey, 15, 2 doz. | 5 | 00 | 5 | 00 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Potted Ham, 1/8 | 75 | | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Devilled Ham, 1/8 | 75 | | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Potted Tongue, 1/8 | 75 | | 75 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Potted Ham, 1/8 | 1 | 50 | 1 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Devilled Ham, 1/8 | 1 | 50 | 1 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Potted Tongue, 1/8 | 1 | 50 | 1 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Coffee | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Green Rio | 15 | 17 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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