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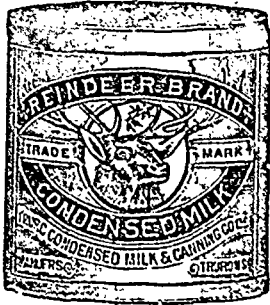
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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 12, 1895.

Manitoba.

Virdon is now a regular customs outpost of Winnipeg.

Winnipeg city brewers held their annual picnic at Elm Park, July 9.

Smale & Co., boots and shoes, Carberry, have sold out to G. S. Haslan.

Montgomery & Co., hardware merchants, Napinka, have moved to Deloraine.

Trudeau & Co., butchers, St. Boniface, have dissolved; Degagne continues alone.

Ricker & Nichol have commenced the manufacture of starch in the building known as the Empire Brewery, in Winnipeg. The idea of Messrs. Ricker & Nichol is to produce starch from Manitoba wheat. This is a new industry in the west.

It is announced that W. B. Scarth will be appointed commissioner of Dominion Lands at Winnipeg, and that the present commissioner, H. H. Smith, will become a deputy minister. Mr. Scarth is well qualified for the position, having been long connected with western land interests.

The Winnipeg caterers made preparations for a great day at Morden on the occasion of their annual picnic, which was held on Thursday last. Indications of rain kept some at home, but a great crowd went, nevertheless, this being regarded as one of the great events of the year. Lots of music and a fine programme of sports were features of the day.

The following statement shows the value of goods exported, entered for consumption and duty collected thereon, during the month of July, at Winnipeg, compared with the same month of 1894:

	Value '94.	Value '95.
Exported.....	\$111,865.00	\$179,878.00
Entered for consumption, dutiable....	194,287.00	207,910.00
Entered for consumption, free.....	41,704.00	83,927.00

Total consumption \$175,990.00 \$291,837.00
Duty collected..... 97,763.48 52,178.86

H. F. Forrest, receiver in charge of the Great Northwest Central Railway, arrived in Winnipeg Wednesday last. He reports that the country tributary to his line is developing nicely. Quite a number of elevators have been built or are in course of construction

this summer at points along the line, and a new flour mill is just about completed at Hamiota. Crops are fine in the districts served by the railway and harvesting would soon begin.

Saskatchewan.

The hide market here, says the Prince Albert advocate, has taken a lively spurt. One lot of hides, amounting to a carload held by local butchers, was yesterday started at 0 1/2c, and was spiritedly raised to 7 1/2c, and bought by F. Lightcap, in opposition to our local dealer, T. H. Brooks. This is a big increase in the price.

The new Prince Albert creamery, three miles east of town, is now in operation. E. Mcorhouse, of the dairy commissioner's office Ottawa, started the creamery and Mr. Roberts will stay to run the factory. The building is a substantial and commodious one, built upon approved plans.

Winnipeg Markets a Year Ago.

Wheat.—No. 1 hard, c.i.f. Fort. William afloat 60 to 61c
Flour.—Local price, per sack, Patents, \$1.55; Bakers, \$1.45.
Bran.—Per ton, \$11.
Shorts.—Per ton, \$13.
Oats.—Per bushel, 31 to 32c.
Barley.—Per bushel, 40 to 45c.
Butter.—Dairy 11 to 15c.
Cheese.—8 1/2 to 9c.
Eggs.—Fresh, casier at 12 to 14c.
Beef.—Fresh, per lb., 5 to 7 1/2c.
Mutton.—Fresh, 8c.
Hogs.—Dressed, 5 1/2 to 6c.
Cattle.—2 to 3c.
Hogs.—Live, good packing 4 1/2 to 4 3/4c off cars.
Sheep, average butchers 3 1/2c, live weight.
Seneca Root.—20 to 23c per lb.
Chickens.—per pair, 45 to 50c,
Hides.—No. 1, 2 to 2 1/2c.
Potatoes.—new 60c per bushel.
Hay.—\$4.50 to \$5.00 per ton, car lots.
Wool.—6 to 8c, unwashed fleece.

The first train load of range cattle of the season went through for export this week last year, which was much later than this year. Hides and seneca root tended lower, flour inclined to advance.

The Dairy Industry.

The Montreal Gazette notes the arrival there of a car of Manitoba cheese for direct export to Liverpool, via the steamship Vancouver.

In a personal interview given to the representative of The Commercial at Vancouver, British Columbia, Premier Bowell said that it could be stated emphatically that British Columbia would receive the same attention from the federal government in the way of encouraging creameries as any of the other provinces. They had commenced at the other end, namely, Prince Edward Island, and were working towards the coast. British Columbia was very suitable for dairying and would no doubt be soon in line with the other provinces. He was very much pleased at the progress being made in dairying throughout the Dominion and they were rapidly becoming the greatest dairy producers in the world. It was a phase of work that this government was giving more than usual attention to.

The annual meeting of the Dairymen's Association of British Columbia, was held at Agassiz on the 2nd of August. Thos. Cunningham, president of the association, said that he had been informed that butter had sold in Manitoba at 7 cents a pound. He ridiculed the idea of butter being made here to sell at that price. Prof. Saunders gave some interesting statis-

tics. From 1869 to 1891 the dairy export for Canada had increased from \$18,000 to \$15,488,000, and it was increasing rapidly every year. Canadian cheese was famous throughout the world, and their butter was preferred in the European market. This was because we gave them a uniform good quality. It tasted the same, smelt the same, and looked the same, for the reason that dairymen of Canada were all learning at the same school. Canada supplied 60 per cent of all the cheese used in Great Britain. Prof. Saunders spoke at length on winter dairying and its great success in Canada. He believed that the Manitoba and Territorial creameries could be kept running in winter. He said the creameries at Alcega Jaw, Dawdney, Calgary, Innisfail, Red Deer and Edmonton were turning out a total of 1,900 pounds a day, which got them 15 cents. They paid 2 cents a pound for commission and one and a half for freight to British Columbia. They got 20 cents for their creamery on the coast. The dairy butter they only got 8 cents a pound for. He thought, however, that Manitoba and the Territories would have to find a market in England very soon. The are glutting the markets here and as creameries are starting in British Columbia the province would soon make their own butter. It was a magnificent country for dairying, none better in the world, as their clover would make a splendid ensilage, taking the place of corn.

A scheme to establish a central creamery at Westminster, B. C., with distributing stations throughout the district, was considered at a meeting of farmers this week. The idea is being favorably received by most of those interested.

Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

The following shows the number of cars of wheat inspected at *Winnipeg for the weeks of ended on the dates named, compared with the number of cars inspected for the corresponding weeks a year ago, as reported by Inspector Horn to the Board of Trade:—

Grade.	June 29	July 6	July 13	July 20	July 27
Extra Manitoba hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 hard....	34	65	42	9	11
No. 2 hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Northern.	1	4	3	0	1
No. 2 Northern.	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 white fyle	1	0	0	1	0
No. 2 white fyle	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Spring....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Rejected.	0	2	1	1	0
No. 2 Rejected.	1	1	9	0	0
No Grade.....	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	37	62	55	17	12
Same week last year.	37	23	16	45	55

*Wheat inspected at Emerson going out via the Northern Pacific to Duluth, is included in Winnipeg returns. A considerable portion of the wheat moving is inspected at Fort William, and does not show in these figures.

Lumber Trade Notes.

A telegram from Rat Portage on Thursday says: There is a general strike on among the men employed by the Ontario and Western Lumber Association. Last spring wages were reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.35 per day and a demand is now made that wages be raised to the former rate. The demand was made last Monday on Manager Cameron and the men remained at work till about noon to-day, when all went out, closing down the three saw mills in operation, and planers. About 200 men are going out. At present it is impossible to say what the probable termination will be. The men labor eleven hours, and are willing to accept either the old rate or a reduction of hours to ten, or an increase to the old rate, as follows: Laborers, \$1.50; pilers from \$1.75 to \$2. The strike will seriously affect the lumber trade here unless speedily settled.

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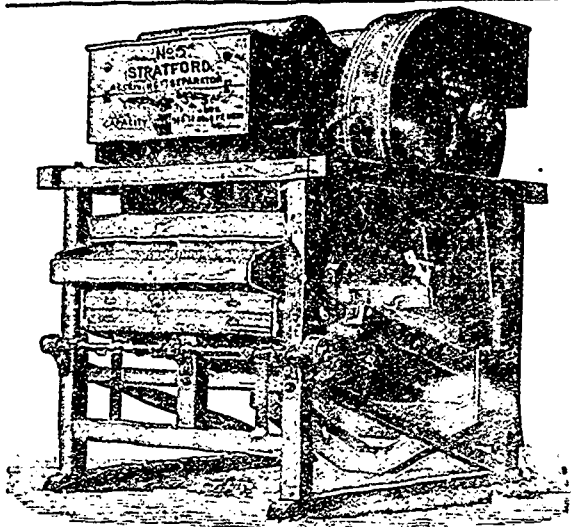
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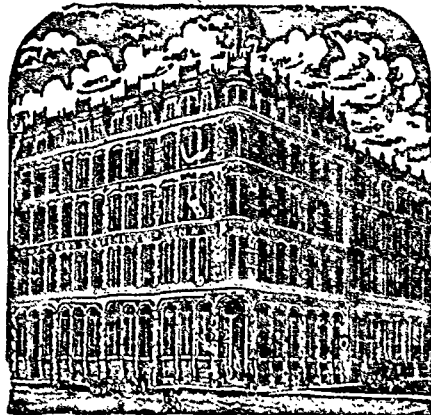
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A Western Millers' Association.

The flour millers of Manitoba and the Territories met at Brandon on August 6 and organized the Manitoba and Northwest Territories Millers' Association. The first practical step taken toward securing an organization of the millers was made in June last, when a circular letter was addressed to the different millers throughout the district, by Robert Muir & Co., who operate a flour mill at Gladstone, Man., and also carry on business as grain dealers in Winnipeg. Mr. Muir had discussed the question of forming an association with such of the millers as he had chanced to meet, and finding them favorable to the formation of an association he decided to address the letter to the millers generally on behalf of himself and those with whom he had conversed. The letter asked for an expression of opinion from the millers as to the advisability of forming an association, and proposed that a meeting be held to talk the matter over. A number of suggestions were also made as to benefits likely to be received from the organization of an association, such as discussing milling methods; adopting a trade mark for the association, by which Manitoba ground flour would be known from that manufactured in the east; securing best freight rates; establishing a central office from which information beneficial to members could be furnished; getting low prices for sacks, etc.

This circular brought forth a very hearty response from the millers, twenty-five to thirty replies having been received within a few days, nearly all of which were in favor of an organization. One letter from a small customs mill was unfavorable and two or three indefinite, or wanted more information.

Encouraged by these replies, it was decided to call a preliminary meeting in Winnipeg and this was held during exhibition week, when quite a number of millers were present and after general discussion it was decided to hold a meeting in Brandon on August 6 to organize.

As decided upon the millers assembled at Brandon on August 6, the following being present: Mr. Herriot, of McCulloch & Herriot, of Souris; Mr. Joiner, of Joiner & Elkington, Fort Qu'Appelle; R. C. Ennis, of Neepawa; Mr. Hughes, of Hughes, Hart & Morris, Wapella; Robt. Muir of R. Muir & Co., Winnipeg and Gladstone; Messrs. Alexander and Kelly, of Alexander, Kelly & Co., Brandon; J. W. Cochrane, of Glenboro; J. S. McKay, of Hart & McKay, of Boissevain; Mr. Thompson of Hamiota; Mr. Peplow, manager at Rapid City for Geo. McCulloch & Co., and Mr. Hodgson, late head miller for McCulloch & Herriot. A representative of The Commercial was also kindly allowed to attend the meeting. Alexander, Kelly & Co., of Brandon, having arranged for a place of meeting, the millers met and organized for discussion by electing Mr. Kelly chairman and Mr. Muir secretary pro tem. The correspondence which led to the calling of the meeting was placed on the table. Two letters from Chas. B. Watts, of the Dominion Millers' Association were also read. Mr. Watts commended the move to form an association and offered to give any assistance in his power. He suggested that the millers might take action to reduce the high rate of fire insurance. The most important point in Mr. Watts letter was the following:

"As you will see by the constitution of the Dominion Millers' Association, we are authorized to form branches anywhere in the Dominion, and I think that you would probably find it the best and cheapest way to form yours, as a branch of the Dominion association, as this would give you the benefit of our constitution, so you could act as an incorporated body, and I have no doubt that an arrangement could be made by which you could have full control of your funds, offi-

cers, etc., paying a small fee to our association to go toward the heavy expense we were put to in order to become incorporated."

A considerable discussion followed the reading of these letters as to the best means of organizing. It was thought there would be a great advantage in the matter of cost by organizing as a branch of the Dominion Association, as it would avoid the necessity of obtaining a separate charter of incorporation. To organize as a separate institution it was thought a Dominion charter would have to be obtained here, as Manitoba could not incorporate an association extending into the Territories. On the other hand affiliation with the Dominion Millers' Association might have some objectionable features, as it was felt that in some respects western milling interests were different from those of the east and they might possibly be antagonistic in some respects. There was the question of placing Eastern ground flour on the market as Manitoba flour, though only a very limited mixture of Manitoba wheat had been used. This was one of the most difficult things Manitoba millers had to compete with. Mr. Peplow, of Rapid City, a past President of the Dominion Millers' Association, gave valuable information in explaining the working of the Dominion Association.

It was finally agreed, in the absence of definite information as to terms of union with the Dominion Association, that a separate association be organized for Manitoba and the Territories, and that the question of affiliation with the Dominion Association be left for future consideration.

It was moved by Mr. Ennis and seconded by Mr. Alexander, that "we, the millers of Manitoba and the Territories, form an association." This was carried unanimously. Organization was then proceeded with by the election of the following officers:

A. Kelly, President.

R. C. Ennis, 1st Vice-President.

J. S. McKay, 2nd Vice-President.

Robt. Muir, Secretary-Treasurer

Executive Committee: Messrs. Joiner, of Fort Qu'Appelle; Cochrane, of Glenboro; Peplow, of Rapid City; Herriot of Souris; Finlay Young, of Killarney; and S. A. McGaw of the Lake of the Woods Milling Co.; and W. A. Black, of the Ogilvie Milling Co.

The last three persons named were not present, but it was hoped they would act, as it was thought particularly desirable that all sections of the country and all classes of mills should be represented in the association. The executive committee will act with the officers named above, and four will constitute a quorum.

Messrs. Muir and Peplow were each nominated for president together with Mr. Kelly. The two former declined to allow the nominations, and Mr. Kelly modestly but reluctantly consented after much urging.

The appointment of standing committees was left for future action. It was agreed that those present should pay \$5 each toward establishing a fund for immediate expenses, and that the question of the annual fee be left until a closer estimate could be made of the cost of carrying on the association and the number of members determined. It was felt that those who wrote favoring the formation of an association were really as much committed to it as those who were present, and that they would at once send in their names together with the \$5 fee, and this amount would be allowed against the annual fee when that was fixed.

A committee composed of Messrs. Kelly, Muir, Peplow and Ennis was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws, and the meeting adjourned until the evening.

In the evening the association met again, when the committee reported that they had examined the constitution and by-laws of several associations of millers which had been previously procured for the occasion, and

they found that the rules of the Dominion Millers' Association, with some alterations, would be suitable for them for the present at least. The constitution and by-laws were then read clause by clause, discussed and adopted.

The secretary was authorized to correspond with the Dominion Millers' Association with a view to learning exact terms on which affiliation could be accomplished; and also to find out the probable cost of the incorporation of the association as a separate organization. The secretary was also asked to notify millers who were not present, and ask them to send in their subscriptions.

The association then adjourned to meet in Winnipeg on Tuesday evening, September 8, at Mr. Muir's office in the Grain Exchange building.

OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The objects of the new association, as set out in the constitution, are as follows:

The objects of the Association are to promote, extend and improve the manufacture of flour and meal, the business of flour milling generally in Canada, and the shipping and sale to foreign markets, as well as to the markets of this country, of grain, flour and meal, and to assist the members of the Association with regard to the matters aforesaid, as provided by by-law, and to arbitrate, adjust, settle, and determine controversies and misunderstandings between persons engaged in the said trades, or such as are submitted for arbitration as hereinafter provided; but nothing herein contained shall be construed as constituting the Association a trading company, or empowering them to engage as a trading association in the business of buying and selling grain, flour or other merchandise; nor shall the Association, by regulation, by-law, or otherwise, fix or determine, or endeavour to fix or determine, in any way whatever, the price that the members or any of them shall pay or offer for grains in Canada.

Provision is made for a general annual meeting at Winnipeg or such other place as may be appointed, with an executive committee to manage the affairs of the association. Mill owners or lessees of flour and meal mills are eligible for membership; also manufacturers of milling machinery as approved by the by-laws. The annual fee was left in abeyance, but will probably be graduated in proportion to capacity of the different mills. Regulations for the government of arbitration proceedings were also adopted.

NOTES.

Though the attendance of millers at the meeting was not large, it was felt that with so many favorable letters from millers who were not present, those present were justified in going ahead with the organization, relying upon those who had written so favorably, and who were thus committed to the association, just as much as those who were present, to come forward and join. It is therefore expected that those millers who wrote favoring the association will at once send in their names, together with the fee of \$5 as agreed upon at the meeting.

The Dominion Miller's Association, mentioned in the proceedings of the meetings, is practically an association of Ontario millers, though chartered by special act of the Dominion parliament and bearing a Dominion name.

This sentiment was expressed at the meetings that the millers were not organizing to fight or oppose any other interest, association, combination or business concerns, but simply in the general interest of the millers themselves.

The amount of business which was gone through with in the two sessions at Brandon speaks well for the energy and business tact of the millers.

Many of the millers visited the fine new mill of Alexander Kelly & Co. while at Brandon. They were also entertained by the firm just named to a drive around the experimental farm located near Brandon, where the fine crops and excellent cultivation were much admired.

The millers individually spoke very favorably of the crop outlook in their different districts and harvesting wheat was expected to begin in a week or ten days. A little early grain, mostly barley, had been cut in some districts, but in some other sections no cutting had been done.

The Commercial must confess that it does not like the name partly agreed upon—The Manitoba and Northwest Territories Millers' Association—though, this is not our business.

Increasing the Rates

In our issue of the 29th July we gave an extract from the Insurance Economist commending a recent advance in the rates of the Covenant Mutual. We then stated that it would not be long before the Mutual Reserve, whose rates were lower and death rate higher, would have to increase the rates to its present policy holders.

In the New York Spectator of August 1st, it is stated that the August call of the Mutual Reserve would, in accordance with the report of the Inspector of Insurance for the State of New York, be increased to all insureds whose policies were issued prior to January 1st 1890.

This takes away the only argument the Association and its canvassers had for securing business, in Canada anyway. We doubt if a single policy holder in Canada would have insured in the Mutual Reserve or any other foreign assessment association had not these associations and their canvassers represented that the rate at entry age would never be increased. The policy contract of course was carefully worded to convey this impression and still legally comply with the government requirements.

The other preposterous statements that the policies would be paid up in 15 years and could be surrendered for an amount equal to all the premiums paid, &c., which were made all over the country, secured a larger proportion of their whole business than most people imagine,—it has been put at 75 per cent. by competent judges.

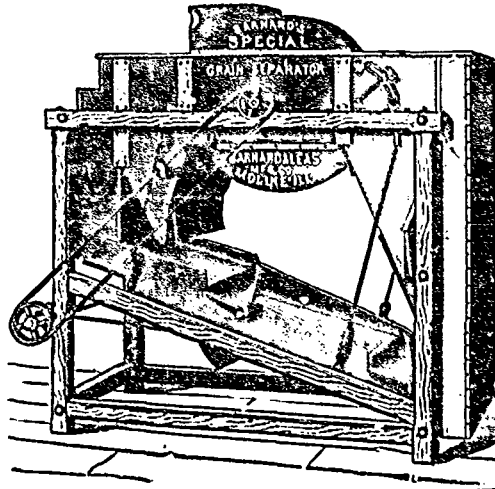
We have been frequently asked if there is any remedy for policy holders who have been deceived by the statements, not only of the canvassers, but by some holding more responsible positions with these institutions.

We doubt if there is; the policy contract has been drawn so that it seems to promise what the canvassers represent, but when it is interpreted by a competent authority, it proves to be only an assessment certificate with all the guarantees by the insured.

Under these circumstances what should be done by the confiding policy holders who imagined they would get bonds to pay future premiums at the end of ten years and now find they have instead to pay an increased rate?

Some of the British policy holders are getting worked up. The Insurance and Finance Chronicle under date of August 1st says:

"British policy holders in the Mutual Reserve have been holding a meeting at which the following resolutions were passed: 1. That the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association be requested to place not less than \$250,000 in the hands of trustees in Great Britain for the protection of British policy holders; 2. that Messrs. _____ be a committee to investigate such matters connected with the Association as they deem advisable, and particularly to ascertain what proportion



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Should not some such action be taken by the policy holders of this country? or are they sufficiently convinced with their present experience? A burned child dreads the fire.

Winnipeg Clearing House.

Clearings for the week ending August 1 were \$928,910 balances, \$180,115. For the previous week clearings were \$917,857. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were \$995,321. For the month of July clearings were \$4,038,816, as compared with \$3,695,874 for July last year.

Following are the returns of other Canadian clearing houses for the weeks ended on the dates given:

	July 25.	Aug. 1.
Montreal...	\$11,142,288	\$9,262,179
Toronto...	5,467,115	5,596,831
Halifax...	1,328,509	1,152,881
Winnipeg...	908,771	917,857
Hamilton...	580,816	604,209
Total	\$19,427,799	\$17,532,907

Wheat Stocks.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Aug. 3, 1895, shows a decrease of 712,000 bushels, against an increase of 2,857,000 bushels for the corresponding week last year and an increase of 75,000 bushels the corresponding week two years ago.

The following table shows the total visible supply of wheat at the end of the first week in each month on the dates named for four years, as compiled by the Chicago board of trade:

	1895.	1894.	1893.	1892.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.
Jan. 2...	88,581,000	80,228,000	81,238,000	45,907,000
Feb. 5...	83,376,000	79,863,000	81,393,000	43,161,000
Mar. 4...	78,765,000	75,569,000	79,088,000	41,688,000
April 1..	74,398,000	71,459,000	77,654,000	41,036,000
" 8 ..	72,703,000	70,762,000	77,294,000	41,177,000
" 15 ..	70,487,000	69,217,000	76,096,000	42,055,000
" 22 ..	68,626,000	68,425,000	74,893,000	39,149,000
" 29 ..	65,773,000	66,533,000	75,027,000	37,936,000
May 6 ..	63,106,000	65,166,000	73,069,000	36,190,000
" 13 ..	60,623,000	63,510,000	72,632,000	35,190,000
" 20 ..	58,484,000	62,044,000	71,392,000	30,607,000
" 27 ..	54,244,000	61,329,000	70,169,000	29,622,000
June 3 ..	52,229,000	59,394,000	71,080,000	27,910,000
" 10 ..	49,738,000	58,511,000	63,662,000	23,950,000
" 17 ..	47,717,000	57,005,000	60,376,000	23,006,000
" 24 ..	46,335,000	55,822,000	63,081,000	24,561,000
July 1 ..	41,611,000	54,657,000	62,816,000	24,262,000
" 8 ..	43,350,000	54,114,000	61,819,000	23,130,000
" 15 ..	41,237,000	53,154,000	60,328,000	22,439,000
" 22 ..	40,437,000	53,771,000	58,901,000	23,068,000
" 27 ..	39,233,000	57,144,000	56,319,000	23,992,000
Aug. 3 ..	38,617,000	60,001,000	59,424,000	26,070,000

Bradstreet's report of stocks of wheat in Canada on July 29 is as follows:

Montreal.....	bushels.	51,000
Toronto.....	19,000	
Kingston.....	18,000	
Winnipeg.....	168,000	
Manitoba elevators.....	780,000	
Fort William, Port Arthur & Keewatin.....	515,000	
Total stocks in the United States and Canada as reported by Bradstreet's were as follows, on July 29, 1895:		
East of the Mountains.....	bushels.	47,920,000
Pacific coast stocks.....	4,762,000	
Total stocks a year ago were:		
East of the Mountains.....	bushels.	66,811,000
Pacific coast.....	8,579,000	

Comparative Prices in Staples.

Prices at New York on Aug. 2 and a year ago.

	Aug. 2, 1895.	Aug. 2, 1894.
Flour, straight spring..	\$3.15 to \$3.60	\$3.00 to \$3.50
Flour, straight winter..	\$3.40 to \$3.75	\$2.45 to \$2.85
Wheat, No. 2 red.....	73c	56c
Cc'n, No. 2 mixed.....	43c	58c
Oats, No. 2.....	23c	42c
Rye, No. 2, Western ...	58c
Barley, No. 2 Milwaukee
Cotton, mid. upld.	7c	7c
Print cloths, 64x64....	2 15-16c	2 9-16c
Wool, Ohio & Pa., X....	17 to 18c	18 to 19c
Wool, No. 1 combg.....	21 to 23c	21 to 23c
Pork, mess new.....	\$11.75 to \$12.25	\$14.25 to 14.50
Lard, westn., stm.....	6.45 to 6.50c	7.50c
Butter, creamery.....	17c	17 to 21c
Cheese, ch. east fr.....	7c	8c
Sugar, centrfl., 96°....	3 5-16c	3c
Sugar, granulated ...	4 7-16c	4 7-16c
Coffee, Rio, No. 7.	16c
Petroleum, N. T. Co....	\$1.30	50c
Petroleum, rfd. gal., ..	7.10c	6.15c
Iron, No. 1 anth.	\$14.00	\$12.50
*Iron, Besse. pg.....	\$14.10	\$12.25
*Steel billets, ton.....	\$21.75	\$17.50
Ocean Steam Freights—		
Grain, Liverpool.....	1d	3 to 1d
Cotton.....	6-61d	1-61d

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Master Mechanic Cross has under him a full staff of men at the Canadian Pacific Railway shops in Winnipeg. They are not working full time but expect to be in a few days. The principal work is fitting up cars for the handling of the season's grain crop. Mr. Cross expects to see the busiest fall in the history of the Winnipeg department.

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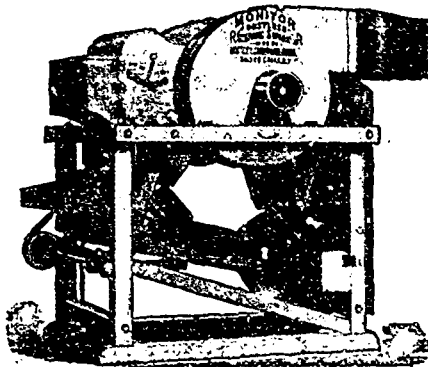
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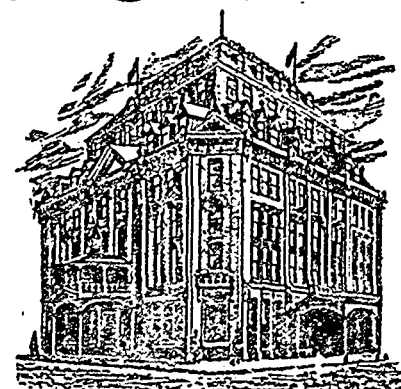
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WINNIPEG, Saturday, August 10.

There is activity in elevator building, railway work, etc., preparing for the harvest, which will begin in earnest in another week or ten days, any harvesting so far being limited to a few early fields in advance of the general crop. Bank clearings at Winnipeg this week were a little less than the corresponding week last year, which is a reversal of the usual report of late. In the lumber trade the strike at Rat Portage is the feature of interest.

In the United States this week Bradstreet's reports activity and strong prices for iron and steel, the strength shown in these lines being very remarkable. Bessemer pig iron, steel rails and railway cars are in active demand. Cotton, raw and manufactured, is showing an upward tendency. Cotton, leather and print cloths are higher. Copper is firm, anthracite coal continues demoralized and prices are a little lower, prices being now about the lowest ever recorded.

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

WINNIPEG, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Aug. 10.

[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.]

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Leather holds firm. The Montreal Trade Bulletin says. "Another large manufacturing concern called in nearly all its travellers, having taken about all the orders it can execute for the fall trade. Manufacturers are now busy cutting up, and some of our large houses are working overtime. Prices are firmly maintained at the late advance, and there is no chance of any lower prices for some time to come; but if any change is made it will be still further in an upward direction."

CORDWOOD.—There is only a very moderate business doing. We quote the following prices for car lots on track here: Tamarac, \$3.75 to \$4 per cord; pine \$3 to \$3.25 per cord; spruce \$3, and poplar \$2.25 to \$2.50 per cord.

DRUGS.—Cream tartar has taken an easier turn. Following prices are for small parcels, and will be shaded considerably for full package orders: Allum per pound, 3/4 to 4/8, alcohol, \$1.75; bleaching powder, per pound; 6 to 8c; bluestone, 4 1/2 to 5c; blue vitrol, 5 to 8c; borax, 11 to 18c; bromide potash, 55 to 75c; camphor, 75 to 85c; camphor, ounces, 80 to 90c; carbolic acid, 40 to 65c; castor oil, 11 to 15c; chlorate potash, 28 to 35c; citric acid, 55 to 65c; coppers, 3 1/2 to 4c; cocaine, per oz., \$7.50 to \$8.00; cream tartar, per pound, 28 to 35c; cloves, 20 to 25c; epsom salts, 3 1/2 to 4c; extract logwood, bulk, 14 to 18c; do., boxes, 18 to 20c; German quinine, 30 to 40c; glycerine, per pound, 20 to 25c; ginger, Jamaica, 25 to 40c; do., African, 20 to 25c, Howard's quinine, per ounce, 85 to 45c, iodine, \$5.50 to \$6.00; insect powder, 85 to 40c; morphia sul., \$1.90 to 2.25. Opium, \$1.50 to 5.00; oil, olive, \$1.25 to 1.40; oil, U.S. salad, \$1.25 to 1.40; oil, lemon, super \$2.25 to 2.75; oil, peppermint, \$4.00 to 4.50; oil, cod liver, \$2.25 to \$2.75 per gallon; oxalic acid, 13 to 16c; potass iodide, \$4.25 to \$4.50; paris green, 17 to 17c lb; saltpot, 10 to 12c; sal rochelle, 80 to 35c; shellac, 45 to 50c; sulphur flowers, 3 1/2 to 5c; sulphur roll, per keg 8 1/2 to 5c; soda bicarb, per keg of 112 pounds, \$3.75 to \$4.25; sal soda, \$2.00 to \$3; tartaric acid, per lb, 45 to 55.

DRY GOODS.—Fall business is beginning to open a little. It is said that in the east dating ahead on long credit is being done on fall orders. An advance of 3c is reported in the goods of the Morris Cotton Co., including cottonades, shirtings, tickings, etc. Woolens are very firm. As regarding the dry goods situation in the United States Bradstreet's says "Cotton goods hold firm and the tendency favors higher prices. Some advance has been maintained, but values have been worked up slowly notwithstanding the firm tone to raw material. Print cloths are quoted stronger, but it has been more difficult to get as much advance on other cotton goods. Ginghams are quiet, but prices will probably be advanced another fraction. On some goods an advance of 5 to 8 per cent. is being obtained."

GREEN FRUITS.—California peaches and plums were temporarily scarce, but will be plentiful again as the season has a long time to run yet. Southern concord grapes are much cheaper this week. California grapes have not come forward to any extent yet. Tomatoes have been very scarce lately and prices are firm. Blueberries are having a large sale, and if they were put up in neat regular sized packages, the shipping demand for this fruit would undoubtedly be much larger and the distribution wider. The crop of harvest apples in Eastern Canada is said to be a failure this year, like most other fruits there. Quotations are as follows: California oranges, Mediterranean sweet and late Valencias \$4 to \$1.50 per box as to size; Messina lemons, \$6.50 to \$7 per box, bananas, \$2.25 to \$3 per bunch as to size; California peaches \$1.25 to \$1.40 per box; California plums, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per box, California pears, \$1.00 per box; southern apples, \$1.25 to \$1.75 per barrel; southern concord grapes, 75c per 8 lb basket; California grapes, \$2.75 per crate; tomatoes, \$1.75 to \$2.00 per crate of 4 baskets; Watermelons, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per dozen, Blueberry 5c per lb, Currants, 65 to 75c per pail; Layer figs, 10 lb boxes, 15c per pound, do., 14 ounce boxes, \$1.50 per dozen. Dates, 7 to 7 1/2c a lb. Maple sugar, 8 to 10c lb; maplesyrup, 90c to \$1.10 per gallon.

GROCERIES.—While the general situation in sugars is firmer, the light demand in Canada on account of the short fruit crop, keeps refiners prices down, and 4 1/2c is quoted at eastern refiners for granulated, and 3 1/2 to 3 3/4c for yellows. Canned goods are the leading feature still. The pack of domestic peas is admitted to be short, but there is uncertainty as to the probable pack of corn and tomatoes, as it is too early in the season to estimate these lines. Old tomatoes are very scarce everywhere, and while prices are high for old stock, the idea is easier for future deliveries of the new pack. Cannery are reporting to be offering futures at 75c per dozen. It is said the Canadian lobster pack will be 30 per cent less than last year. The French sardine pack is said to be a bad failure this year. Ceylon teas are higher abroad.

LUMBER.—The strike at Rat Portage is the feature of interest in the lumber line. It is said the planing mills are not affected by the strike, though an earlier report said they were closed. Besides the question of wages the men also claim a grievance in the company insisting on compulsory insurance, but in this they show a penny wise, pound foolish course. Manager Cameron is willing to leave the matter to the Keewatin Lumber Co. as arbitrators but the men are not.

HARDWARE, PAINTS, ETC.—All metals are firm, maintaining the general tendency shown of late weeks. Manufacturers of carriage bolts, coach screws, machine bolts and square and hexagon nuts, give advice of an advance of 5 to 10 per cent. Carriage bolts are now 60 per cent. off; coach screws 65 and 5; and machine bolts 55 and 5 per cent. Paints and oils are strong. White and red

loads are very firm, and liquid paints are strong. The Consumers' Cartage Co. has advanced milla roya 3c. Prices here are as follows:

TIN.—Lamb and 56 and 28 lb. ingots, per lb, 25 to 26c.

TIN PLATES.—Charcoal plates, I. C., 10 by 14, 12 by 12 and 14 by 20, per box, \$1.75 to \$5; I. X., same sizes, per box, \$6 to \$6.25; I. C., charcoal, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$3.50 to 9.00; I. X., per box, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$10.50 to 11.00.

LEAD.—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2c.

AMMUNITION.—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American, discount, 85 per cent.; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 per cent.; rim fire military, American, 5 per cent. advance; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 80 per cent.; shot shells, 12 guage, \$6 to 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 5 1/2c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6 1/2c.

AXES.—Per box, \$6.50 to 15.50.

WIRE.—Galvanized barb wire, plain twisted wire and staples, \$3.25 per 100 lbs.

ROPE.—Sisal, per lb., 7 1/2 to 8c base; manilla, per lb., 10 to 10 1/2c base; cotton, 1/4 to 1/2 inch and larger, 16c lb.

NAILS.—Cut, per keg, base price, \$2.60; common steel wire nails, 5 to 6 inch, \$3.00 per keg, 3 to 4 inch, \$3.32 keg; 2 1/2 inch, \$3.50 keg; 2 inch, \$3.70 keg.

HORSE NAILS.—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List prices 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, 50 to 50 and 10 per cent.

HORSE SHOES.—Per keg, \$1.50 to \$1.75; snow pattern horse shoes, \$1.75 to \$5.

WHITE LEADS.—Pure, ground in oil, association guarantee, \$5.50 per 100-lb kegs; white lead, assorted 1 to 5-lb. tins, per lb., 10c.

PREPARED PAINTS.—Pure liquid colors, per gallon, \$1.15 to \$1.25.

DRY COLORS.—White lead, per lb., 8c; red lead, 5 1/2c; yellow ocre 2 1/2c; golden ocre, 5c; Venetian, red, French, 3 1/2c; Venetian, red, English, 3 1/2c; English purple oxides, 4 1/2c; American oxides, per lb., 3 to 4c. These prices for dry colors are for broken lots. 3c per lb. less when full kegs or barrels are taken. American vermilion, kegs, 15c, English vermilion, in 30-lb. bags, 90c per lb.; less than bags, per lb., \$1; Parris green, 18 to 20c.

VARNISHES.—No. 1 furniture, per gal., \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.50; elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$2; hard oil finish, \$2; brown Japan, \$1; goldsize Japan, \$1.50; No. 1, orange shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50. These prices are for less than barrels, and would be shaded for full barrel lots.

SUNDRIES.—Glue, S.S., in sheets, per lb., 12 1/2 to 15c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 17 to 18c. Stove gasoline, per case, \$1.00, benzine, per case, \$1.00; benzene and gasoline, per gallon, 5c. Axle grease, Imperial per case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease per case, \$3.50, diamond, do, \$2.25 per case. Coal tar, per barrel, \$8, Portland cement, per barrel, \$4.25; plaster, per barrel, \$3.00; plasterer's hair, \$1.10 per bale, putty, in barrels, per lb., 8c; less than barrels,

WINDOW GLASS.—1st break is quoted at \$1.75 per box of 50 feet.

LINSEED OIL.—Raw, per gal., 67c; boiled, per gal., 70c in barrels.

TURPENTINE.—Pure spirits, in barrels, per gallon, 65c; less than barrels, per gallon, 70c.

OILS.—Range about as follows: Black oils, 25 to 30c per gallon; clear machine oils, 33 to 40c; cylinder oil, 50 to 75c, as to quality;

castor oil, 10c per lb.; lard oil, 70c per gal.; tanner's or harness oil, 65c; neatfoot oil, \$1.25; steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 per gallon.

REFINED PETROLEUM.—Quotations in Winnipeg, delivered from tanks, are as follows: Silver star, 22c; crescent, 26c; oleophene, 28c. In barrels for shipment to country points, add 2½c per gallon for silver star and 1½c per gallon for other grades to above prices. In car lots 1c per gallon discount is allowed off prices in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 3½c for cocene and 30c for sunlight.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT.—Wheat markets have been uneventful this week, and have ranged much about the same as the closing days of last week. The weak features are limited export demand and heavy northwestern crop, while the strongest feature is the continued decrease in the visible supply at a time when an increase is looked for, on account of marketings of new wheat. The Minneapolis Market Record has raised its wheat crop estimate for the Dakotas and Minnesota from 130,000,000 bushels to 140,000,000 bushels, and some authorities place the crop as high as 160,000,000 bushels for the three states. In England harvesting is going on. The Mark Lane Express estimates the British wheat crop at 22 per cent less than last year. In Eastern Canada new winter wheat is marketing fairly freely at 72 to 73c for car lots in the country. In Manitoba wheat will be later than last year in moving. A few cars were moving the third week in August last year. There is no business doing in Manitoba wheat, and there are no regular prices. The tendency is downward. At present the idea of values is about 75c to 76c for Fort William for No. 1 hard, which is still considerably above an export basis, but prices will be down to an export basis by the time new wheat is moving. Manitoba wheat, September delivery, is not worth more than about 58c for car lots at country points, reduced to an export basis, or say 55c to farmers, allowing for cost of handling. Receipts at Fort William for the week ended August 3 were 25,769 bushels, and shipments 65,733 bushels, leaving 239,296 bushels in store. A year ago, exports of wheat, flour included as wheat, from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal, amount to 1,550,000 bushels this week, against 1,460,000 last week, and as compared with 3,417,000 bushels in the corresponding week a year ago, over 5,000,000 in the like week of 1893, 4,148,000 bushels in 1892, and 5,147,000 bushels in the corresponding week of 1891.

FLOUR.—There is no further change in prices to report. Production is very low, as a number of the Manitoba mills are closed down. Sales by millers here are made at \$2.05 for patents and \$1.85 for strong bakers per sack of 93 lbs, delivered to city retail dealers. Second bakers, \$1.60 to \$1.65, A.A.A.A. about \$1.85 to \$1.40 per sack, according to brand. These are net cash prices, the nominal quotation being 3c higher.

MILLSTUFFS.—Millstuffs are scarce. The quotation to the local trade is \$11 for bran and \$13 for shorts, per ton with small quantities held at \$1 per ton more.

GROUND FEEL.—Prices range from \$19 to \$21 per ton, as to quantity and quality, for ground oats and barley feed.

OATMEAL.—Rolled oatmeal is unchanged. We quote \$1.90 to \$2 per sack of 80 pounds, in broken lots to retail dealers, as to quality. Standard and granulated meal, \$2.15 in small lots, per sack of 100 lbs. for best grades.

OATS.—The feeling is easier, and prices are declining in the country. We quote 32 to 33c for cars here, per bushel of 34 pounds for feed grade.

Barley.—Held about 40c per bushel of 19 pounds, for feed quality. There have been no car lot transactions, the grain being scarce, but a few farmers' loads have been taken at 40c.

FLAX SEED.—Dull at about \$1.50 per bushel in a retail way.

OIL CAKE.—Ground oil cake meal is quoted at \$24 per ton in sacks, with small lots at \$25.

FEED WHEAT.—Feed wheat brings 65 to 70c per bushel, and 70c is being paid at city mills for choice wheat. Local dealers have not been able to obtain enough wheat for chicken feed, and have had to buy choice wheat from the mills at a big price.

BUTTER.—There is no change locally. Some dairy has been bought up at about 8c per lb, and we quote creamery at 13½ to 15c, as to quality. Sales of Manitoba dairy in round lots were reported in the country to a Montreal party for eastern shipment.

CHEESE.—The situation in cheese continues very unsatisfactory. At the weekly country cheese markets in Ontario this week prices were lower again, bids being at 7½ to 7¾c. At some markets 7¾c was the highest bid. At Ingersoll 7½ to 7¾c was bid, and late June and early July cheese sold at the lower quotation. These prices are ½ to ¾c lower than a week ago. Here 6c is the top price and we quote 5½ to 6c for Manitoba cheese.

EGGS.—Held at the last advance and local buyers are still offering 12c here for fresh, per dozen, damaged stock being thrown out in candling. Case lots selling at 14c for candled.

LARD.—Prices are the same. We quote Pure, \$1.90 to \$2.00 for 20 pound pails, and \$1.50 for 50 lb pails; pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$7 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 9c pound.

CURED MEATS.—Smoked Meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 12c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 12½; do backs: 1½c; picnic hams, 9½c; short spiced rolls, 7½c; long rolls, 7¾c; shoulders, 8c; smoked long clear, 10c; smoked jowls, 5½c. Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 9c per lb; shoulders, 7c; backs, 9½c; canvassed meats, or put up in parchment paper, ¾c per lb. extra; barrel pork, heavy mess \$15.00 clear mess \$16.00; short cut, \$18.00; rolled shoulders, \$15 per barrel, pork sundries; fresh sausage, 7c; bologna sausage, 7c; German sausage, 7c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 2c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 30c lb.

VEGETABLES.—Prices are. Potatoes, new, 35c per bushel; green stuff, including all roots, onions, etc., per doz. bunches is quoted at 5 to 8c all around, and is very abundant; spinach, per lb. 1 to 2c; cabbage, 25 to 40c. per dozen; cucumbers 50c per dozen; cauliflower, 30 to 45c per dozen as to size; Green peas in pod, 40c to 50c per bushel. Celery, 25c per dozen bunches, green beans 2c lb.

POULTRY.—Prices are the same. Chickens 40 to 45c per pair. Turkeys 8c per lb live weight. No ducks or geese selling.

DRESSED MEATS.—Prices are easy. We and beef is again ¾c lower this week. We quote beef at 1½ to 5c, as to quality, good beef is selling at 5c and very little is going over this price; mutton 7c is the general price this week; lamb 7c also, with mutton and lamb in some cases selling at 6½c; pork 5½ to 6c; veal 4 to 6c. A retail dealer advertises a big cut in meat prices this week, offering best cuts at 10c.

HIDES.—There is no change in prices here for hides. We have heard of relatively higher prices paid in the country than prices here. Sheepskins are 5c higher, being the usual monthly advance as the growth of wool increases. Hides, Winnipeg inspection, green

cured, 7½c for No. 1 cows, 6½ for No. 2, and 5½c for No. 3, No. 1 heavy steers, 7½c, No. 2 Steers, 6½c; branded hides grade No. 2, when not otherwise damaged to reduce them to No. 3. We quote: Calif, 8 to 15 lb skins, 6 to 8c per lb. Deacons, 25 to 40c each. Kips 5 to 6c. Sheepskins, recent kill, 30c. Lambskins, 30c each. Tallow, 4 to 5c rendered and 2 to 3c rough.

WOOL.—Wool has been advancing fast here lately, and some big prices have been paid for the few remaining lots which are being offered, the range being 1 to 1½c higher than formerly. In fact we believe 12c has been paid this week for unwashed fleeco, and we quote 10 to 12c as to quality for Manitoba fleeco.

SENECA ROOT.—About 18c is the usual price for small lots of dry root, but in special cases 19 and 20c has been paid.

HAY.—Hay is offering plentifully and is very cheap. Loose hay on the street market is selling at \$1 and in some cases as low as \$3 per ton. We quote new baled prairie at \$5 to \$5.50 on track here.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE.—Gordon & Ironside shipped three train loads this week. The first train of 380 head was made up of part range cattle and the balance from the Regina district, and the second train of 341 head was nearly all Manitoba cattle from various sections. The third train of about 200 head was composed of Manitoba cattle. Mullins & Wilson shipped about 100 head of cattle from the Manitoba Northwestern district, and Hay, of McGregor, sent three cars eastward, making in all about 1,025 head shipped this week. Prices are about the same. We quote local butchers' cattle at 2c for common up to 2½c, and good export at 3 to 3½c.

HOGS.—Prices here are about the same. Loads here sold on local account at 4 and 4½c. Mullins & Wilson shipped four or five cars east to Toronto and Gordon & Ironside shipped one car west to Calgary. A Toronto paper says that sixteen cars of Manitoba hogs were on the road to that market. This is evidently an error and probably refers to the few cars mentioned above.

SHEEP.—We hear of no business in sheep and quote nominal 3 to 3½c off cars here.

At Toronto on Tuesday, Aug. 6, choicest export cattle sold at 4½c, and the general run at 3¾ to 4½c. Butchers' sold from 2½ for common up to 3 to 3½c for good to choice. Hogs sold at \$5.40 to \$5.50 per cwt for choice long lean. Thick fat at \$1.75 to \$5, stores at \$1.25 to \$1.50. Export sheep brought 3½ to 3¾c per lb off cars, lambs, \$2.50 to \$3.25 per head, bucks, 3c.

At Toronto, on August 9, offerings were larger. Prices were 4 to 4½c per pound for export cattle and a few picked lots sold at 4½c per pound. Butchers' cattle were easier and quality poor. The best sold at 3½c, medium at 3c, and common at 2½ to 2¾c. Sheep and lambs were in good demand, good shipping ewes and weathers sold at 3½ to 3¾c per pound and 4c for choice. Hogs were weaker owing to large offerings including several cars from Manitoba. Best hogs here were 25c lower at \$5.20 to \$5.25 per 100 pounds; fat at \$1.75 to \$1.80. Stores brought \$1.25 to \$1.40, stags and rough hogs \$2 per 100 pounds.

At Chicago, on August 9, hogs were higher at \$1.35 to \$5.15, these prices being 15 to 25c higher than a week ago. Very large receipts of sheep came in and prices were 2 to 50c lower at \$1.65 to \$1.10 as to quality. Cattle were steady.

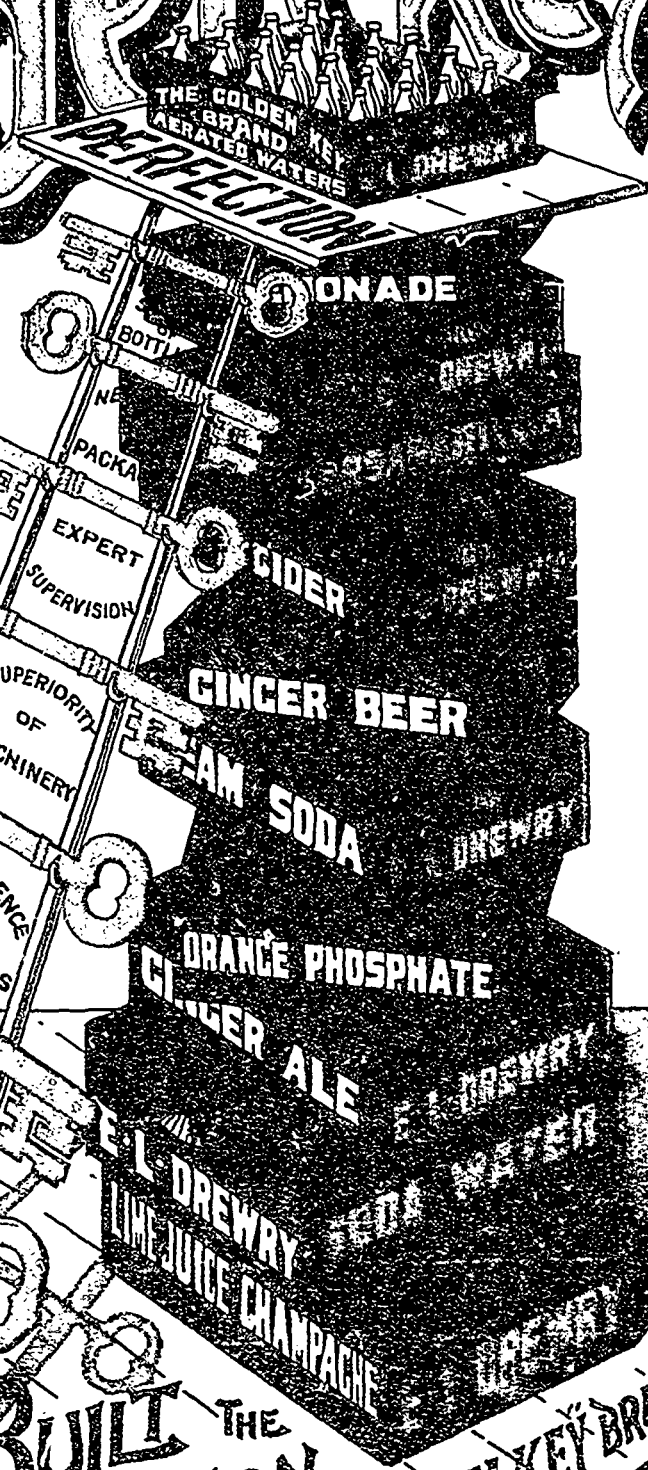
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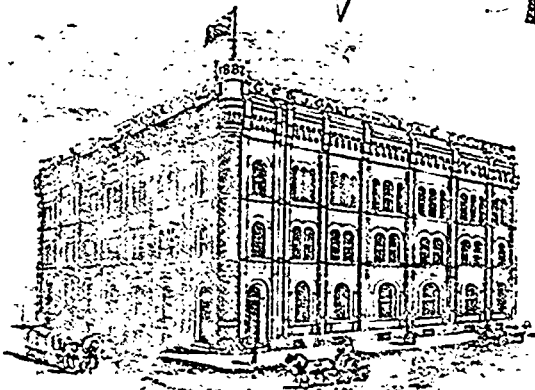
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Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 2 oats and No. 2 corn, per bushel. Pork is quoted per barrel and lard and short ribs per 100 pounds.

On Monday wheat made a net gain of about 1/2c over Saturday's close, influenced by firmer cables. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Dec.
Wheat.....	67 3/4-3	68 3/4-3	70 1/4
Corn.....	41	—	38 1/2
Oats.....	20 1/2	20 1/2	—
Pork.....	—	9 10	—
Lard.....	—	6 00	—
Short Ribs...	—	5 50	—

Wheat was quiet and easier on Tuesday and without any marked feature in the market. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Dec.
Wheat.....	67	68	70 3/4-1/2
Corn.....	40 1/2	40 3/4	—
Oats.....	20 1/2-1/2	20 1/2	—
Mess Pork...	—	9 8 1/2	—
Lard.....	—	5 8 1/2	—
Short Ribs...	—	5 5 1/2	—

Wheat declined again on Wednesday, influenced by favorable crop reports from the northwest and easy cables. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Dec.
Wheat.....	66 3/4	67 3/4	70 1/4
Corn.....	39 1/4-10	39 1/4-10	32 1/2
Oats.....	20 1/4	20 1/4	—
Mess Pork..	—	9 5 1/2	—
Lard.....	—	6 00	—
Short Ribs..	—	5 60	—

On Thursday wheat was quiet and not materially changed in price. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Dec.
Wheat.....	67 1/4	67 3/4-7	70 1/4
Corn.....	39 1/2-3	39 1/2	32 1/2
Oats.....	20 3/4	20 1/2	—
Pork.....	—	9 6 1/2	—
Lard.....	—	6 17 1/2	—
Short Ribs..	—	5 7 1/2	—

On Friday very little interest was manifested in the market. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Dec.
Wheat....	67 1/2	68 1/2	70 3/4-3
Corn.....	39 3/4-7	39 3/4	33 1/2
Oats.....	20 3/4	20 1/2	—
Mess Pork.	—	9 70	—
Lard.....	—	6 15	—
Short Ribs.	—	5 7 1/2	—

On Saturday wheat opened at 68c and ranged between the opening price and 67 1/2c. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Dec.
Wheat.....	67	67 3/4	70 1/4
Corn.....	39 3/4	39 3/4	32 1/2
Oats.....	20 1/2	20 1/2	24 1/2
Mess Pork..	—	9 70	—
Lard.....	—	6 15	—
Short Ribs..	—	—	—

A week ago Sept. wheat closed at 67 3/4 to 68c. A year ago Sept. wheat closed at 56 1/2c.

New York Wheat.

On Saturday, Aug. 10, September wheat closed at 72 1/2c and December delivery at 71 1/2c. A week ago wheat closed at 72 1/2c for September and 73 1/2c for December.

Duluth Wheat Market.

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—Aug. 65 1/2c, Sept. 66 1/2c, Dec. 68 1/2c.
Tuesday—Aug. 65 1/2c, Sept. 66 1/2c, Dec. 67 1/2c.
Wednesday—Aug. 65 1/2c, Sept. 66c, Dec. 67 1/2c.
Thursday—Aug. 65 1/2c, Sept. 66 1/2c, Dec. 67 1/2c.
Friday—Aug. 65 1/2c, Sept. 66 1/2c, Dec. 68 1/2c.
Saturday—Aug. 65 1/2c, Sept. 66 1/2c, Dec. 67 1/2c.

A week ago to-day, (Saturday) prices closed at 66 1/2c for September, and 67 1/2c for December. A year ago September wheat

closed at 56 3/4c, and two years ago at 61 1/4c. No. 1 hard is quoted at about 1/2 cent over No. 1 northern, No. 2 northern 8c lower than No. 1 northern for cash wheat.

Minneapolis Wheat.

No. 1 Northern wheat closed on Saturday at 61c for August, September delivery at 61 1/2c, and December at 65 1/2-3c. A week ago September wheat closed at 61c.

The Weather and Crops.

As intimated in The Commercial in recent issues, harvest is not coming on as early as was expected earlier in the season, and the actual amount of grain cut up to the close of this week is really very much less than one would be lead to suppose by reading the reports sent in from day to day to the daily papers. A representative of The Commercial drove 20 miles in the Winnipeg district the first of this week and observed four fields of grain cut, but three of these were oats cut on the green side, with a mower, for fodder. One was ripe barley. On Wednesday a representative of The Commercial came in from Brandon and watched the crops closely along the road. One piece of wheat and perhaps half a dozen of barley were cut, mostly in the Portage district. A few more patches were about ready to cut this week, but there was very little wheat which would be fit to cut before the end of next week. The experimental farm at Brandon was visited, and here a great variety of grain is grown in small plots. A few of the earliest would be ready to cut in a few days from the time of our visit. A convention of millers from all parts of the country was in session at Brandon. As the millers would have a good idea of the crops in their respective districts, they were questioned as to the date of harvesting, and they stated that harvesting would begin in one to two weeks, according to the district whence they came. A grain man who went through the district from Winnipeg southwest to Gretna and Morden, estimated that less than 5 per cent of the crop would be cut to the end of this week. This district is the most advanced in the country, and taking Manitoba and the adjacent districts in the territories as a whole, it is safe to say that about one per cent. would cover all crops cut so far. In some sections quite a quantity of barley and oats have been cut, but in other sections scarcely any grain of any kind has been cut yet. In some of the very earliest districts quite a little wheat will be cut next week, if the weather keeps favorable, but it will require a full week of warm weather to bring on harvesting actively over any considerable area of country, and some districts will require nearer two weeks to make harvesting general. Crop estimates are being made freely now, and are no doubt generally too high. There is talk of 30 to 40 bushels to the acre, but if it reaches an average of 25 on the total area it will do remarkably well. There are hundreds of acres of wheat which will yield only from 5 to 10 bushels per acre, visible in passing along the railroads. This is entirely due to bad farming, as there is no excuse for such crops this year. One or two samples of new wheat, hand threshed, have been sent in, and they are fine quality.

The weather has been moderately warm to warm all this week up to to-day. A good deal of rain has fallen this week nearly all over the country, but heavier in the west. There were general rains on Sunday, August 1, west of Brandon and some points in Southern Manitoba, and there was more or less rain every day at some points in the wheat belt. Nearly all points reported cloudy weather on Wednesday and Thursday with rain at some points and some foggy. Win-

nipeg appeared to have less rain than most points, with two very light showers only during the week, on Wednesday and Thursday, not sufficient to delay harvesting. The weather prophets are predicting frost. Temperature was low in the extreme west, beyond the wheat belt, on Friday. In Manitoba, Friday was warm, but the temperature dropped lower Friday night than usual. Hail was reported during the week from a number of points as follows: Griswold, Man., no damage; Carnduff, Assa., heavy hail and wind storm, some crops completely destroyed; North Portal, Assa., terrific storm, some crops destroyed (there is very little cultivation in this district). Today is cooler and unsettled looking at Winnipeg.

J. G. Rattray writes as follows this week to The Commercial from Pipestone, west of Souris, Man.: "Crop prospects in the vicinity of Pipestone are far ahead of the last two or three years. Much of the wheat is ripening fast. The first cutting was done to-day, August 7, and by the end of the week will be becoming more general. The sample of wheat promises good. We have looked for smut in the wheat but can find very little, so that we are free from that. The barley and oats are badly smutted in places."

Live Stock Items.

A cable report from London regarding pleuro pneumonia in Canadian cattle at Deptford is discredited at the department of agriculture.

Cable reports from Liverpool on August 5 say the cattle market was stronger and values showed a slight advance compared with a week ago. Choice Canadian steers were quoted at 12c and United States at 12 1/4c. The market for sheep was stronger and best Canadians were quoted 3c per lb higher at 18 1/2c. another cable from Liverpool quoted choice cattle at 12c and others at 11 1/2c.

The Montreal Gazette of August 5 says: "The receipts of cattle were not as large as dealers anticipated, owing to the fact that the recent rains have improved the pastures to some extent in western Ontario. Consequently, farmers are more hopeful now of grass to feed their stock, and are holding them to finish them off better, in the hope of realizing higher prices later on in the season."

At the Point St. Charles market, Montreal, on August 5, the most marked feature was the weak feeling in hogs. The offerings were 700 head of which about 300 were sold at 4 1/2c to 5c per lb. and the balance were left over, along with 400 more at the Canadian Pacific stock yards. The depression was that prices would decline to 4 1/2c, this figure representing buyers views generally. Butchers' cattle were quiet only four loads changing hands at 2 1/2 to 3c per lb. In export stock trade was dull and no sales reported; A few small bunches of sheep sold at 2 to 2 1/2c and one or two choice lots at 3c per lb. live weight.

Secretary Morton, of the United States, has announced that sheep and lambs intended for slaughter may be admitted to the United States from Canada when accompanied by certificates as follows. 1. A certificate from the official veterinary inspector of port of export or of province or district in which the sheep or lambs were raised or fed, stating that no contagious diseases affecting sheep has existed in said province or district during the past three months. 2. An affidavit from owner or importer that sheep or lambs offered for importation are from district covered by certificate above mentioned, that they were not outside of that district during a period of three months preceding shipment and that when not driven, they have been shipped direct from said district to point of import in clean or disinfected cars.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA MARKETS.

(BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.)

Vancouver, August 10, 1895.

The market is now supplied with eastern Canada eggs, and Manitoba eggs are about out of the market. Potatoes have dropped to one-half their former price and are in excessive supply. Oats and other grains are coming in from the States at considerably lower prices, and no sales of Manitoba oats are reported.

Butter.—Manitoba dairy butter, old 8 to 8c, new 10 to 12c; Manitoba creamery, 17 to 18c; do. off grade 15 to 16c per lb.; Manitoba chesse 8 to 10c per lb.

Cured Meats.—Hams 18½c; breakfast bacon, 14c; backs, 12c; long clear, 10c; short rolls, 10c; smoked sides, 11½c. Lard is held at the following figures: tins 11c per pound; in pails and tubs, 10½c; mess pork, \$17; short cut, \$18.00.

Fish.—Prices are: Flounders, 8c; smelt, 5c; sea bass, 4c; black cod, 6c; rock cod, 4c; red cod, 4c; tommy cod, 4c; herring, 4c; halibut, 7c; whiting, 6c; soles, 6c; crabs, 60c doz.; smoked salmon, 12½c; salmon 7c; smoked halibut, 10c; bloaters, 10c; kippered cod, 9c; sturgeon, 6c; trout 10c per lb.; salt salmon, \$6 per barrel.

Vegetables.—Potatoes new, \$10 to \$12 per ton; onions, silver skins, 1½c; cabbage, 1½c; carrots, turnips and beets, ¾ to 1c a lb.

Eggs.—Fresh, local, 25c; Eastern 17c per dozen.

Fruits.—Lemons, California, \$6.00 per box; rhubarb 8c lb; cherries, 75c small box. California plums, \$1.35, apricots \$1.30 to \$1.40, peaches, \$1.10 per box; oranges, Mediterranean sweets, \$2.75; St. Michael's \$3.00 per box; raspberries \$2 crate; apples \$1.75 per box; tomatoes \$1.50; pears \$2.50 box.

Nuts.—Almonds, 15c; filberts, 14c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 15c; walnuts, 10 to 16c lb.

Flour.—Manitoba Patent, per bbl., \$4.90; strong bakers, \$4.70; Oregon, \$4.00.

Meal.—Oatmeal—National mills, Victoria, at Victoria, 90-lb sacks, \$3.15. Cornmeal, per 98-lb, sacks, \$2.15; Manitoba 80-lb sacks, \$2.50.

Grain.—Washington State wheat \$25; do. oats \$27 per ton f.o.b. Vancouver, duty paid.

Ground Feed.—Manitoba chop feed, \$28 per ton; chop barley, \$28; United States, chop, \$25.00 ton; ground wheat, \$27.50 ton; ground barley, \$22.00 ton; shorts, \$19.00 ton; bran \$17.00 ton; oil cake meal, \$39 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver, duty paid.

Live Stock.—Calves, 5c; steers, 3 to 5½c lb; cows 2½ to 3c; sheep, \$3 to \$3.25; hogs, 5½ to 6c; lamb, per head, \$2.75 to \$3.50.

Dressed Meats.—Beef, 6½ to 7c; mutton, 8c; pork, 8½ to 9c; veal, 8 to 9c per lb.

Sugars.—Powdered and icing, 5½c; Paris lump, 5½c; granulated, 4½c; extra C, 4½c; fancy yellows 4c; yellow, 3½c per lb.

Syrups.—30 gallon barrels, 1½c per pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2c; 5 gallon kegs, \$1.25 each; 1 gallon tins, \$3.75 per case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$1.50 per case of 20.

Teas.—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good, 18c; choice, 25c. Ceylons: Fair, 25c; good, 30c; choice, 85c per lb.

British Columbia Business Notes.

Whalen & Chambers, Shoal Bay have dissolved.

R. Shortreed, general store, Shortreed, has assigned.

A. Heath, furniture, Alberni, is offering to sell out.

Charles Dempster, auctioneer, Nanaimo, has assigned.

John Huston, publisher, Rossland, has sold out to David P. Bogle.

The estate of E. Conway, hotel, Esquimalt, has been sold to F. J. Dawley.

B. and McK. Ingram, livery, Midway, have sold out to McAuley Lundy.

Julius Ehrlich, produce, etc., Nelson, is succeeded by Simpson & Co.

Holt & Airy, builders, Vancouver, have dissolved, Holt continues.

The Nanaimo Equitable Pioneer Society Ltd., Nanaimo, has assigned.

The effects of Wm. McEachren & Co, hotel, Kaslo, are advertised for sale.

E. W. Bickle & Co., general store Wellington, has sold out to Thos. Bickle.

F. W. LeVatte, manufacturer cider, etc., Victoria, is succeeded by LeVatte & Ward.

The Point Ellis Iron Works, Victoria, are burnt out. Loss \$3,500; insurance \$1,500.

The style of the firm of Bain & Co., dry goods, Wellington, has been changed to Bain & McKay.

The effects of the B. C. Pottery and Terra Cotta Co., Ltd., Victoria have been sold by the liquidator.

Cannonica & Seaton, hotel, Vancouver, have dissolved and are succeeded by Cannonica & Roberts.

A bureau of mines is being established for the province. All possible information in reference to the mines and mining operations, with specimens, is being gathered and sent to the government museum at Victoria.

McDonald & Co., wholesale grocers, of Winnipeg, are looking up a location for a branch establishment in Kootenay, says the Revelstoke paper. A. McDonald has made a trip through the district with this object in view.

It is reported that the Kansas City Consolidated Smelting and Refining Company has decided to erect a large smelting plant at Nakusp in West Kootenay. It is understood that the Canadian Pacific railway has done everything possible to secure the establishment of large smelters in British Columbia by offering special facilities in the matter of freights on shipments of bullion.

Carlin & Lake, general merchants, Golden, B. C., have assigned in trust to W. Georgeon, of Winnipeg. It is not likely that the creditors will lose much, if anything, as the assets are heavy. The manner in which this firm have acted in their difficulties, stands out in contrast to the crookedness of some insolvents who have been gathered in during the past year. Both parties placed in the hands of the assignee every dollar or dollars worth they possessed including a wide range of exempt property, which the law allowed them to retain, if they were so inclined. Men of that stamp may meet misfortune, but they will survive it and rise again above it.

Vice-president Shaughnessy of the Canadian Pacific Railway while in British Columbia recently devoted considerable attention to the mining country and the progress being made there was in evidence all through the Kootenay district. Arrangements have been almost completed for the extension of the Canadian

Pacific Railway system into that country, so that all centres will be served by the railway, and if possible the smelting of ore from Kootenay mines will also be done in Canada.

The full court of British Columbia has dismissed with costs the appeal of the railway company in the celebrated precious metals case, Bainbridge vs. Esquimaux and Nanaimo Railway company. In the action Hon. Justice Drake affirmed the right of the crown to precious metals in the Island Railway belt, which the railway company held to have been granted to them with their deed of land. The full court unanimously sustained the judgment of Drake and the case will now go to the Supreme Court of Canada and thence to the privy council of England.

The annual farmers convention was held at Agassiz on August 1st. Prof. Saunders director of the Dominion experimental farms, and Prof. Fletcher, entomologist of the central farm at Ottawa were present and addressed the farmers. Prof. Saunders said he was highly pleased at what he had seen of the farming lands of British Columbia, that it was one of the best countries in the world for dairying, and he thought before many years the province would make her own butter and have a margin for export. He said that the soil of British Columbia by actual analysis was richer than the soil of the prairie lands of the west, and immeasurably richer than the average soil from Europe. He said that the British Columbia experimental farm was the largest experimental fruit farm in the world, and by its experiments an immense amount of good had been done to the farmers. Prof. Fletcher also made some encouraging remarks. He spoke of the best means to rid plants of pests; the best manures to use, and the best way to cultivate the soil. He said the province was almost entirely free from fruit pests and that he could find no trace of the scale bugs, or the codling moth, and the provincial government were doing a good work in keeping these pests out of the country by a rigid enforcing the law as regards the destruction of affected fruit. The black spot in apples was however prevalent in British Columbia, and the crop was reduced by it fully 10 per cent. He assured them that British Columbia had one of the finest climates in the world with immense possibilities for fruit growing. He said that British Columbia was destined to become a great fruit country. That not many years ago Prof. McCoun was called a lunatic because, when he noticed that certain wild plants grew in the west that grew in countries where wheat was raised in abundance and that therefore the prairie west would become a great wheat country. He, Prof. Fletcher, read the signs here which indicated that British Columbia would become a great fruit country, and would be able some day to fill the Manitoba markets with fruit to the exclusion of California and the east. The deputy minister of agriculture urged the farmers to co-operate in shipping their fruit, and in bringing the fruit grower and consumer nearer together.

The August number of The Northwest Magazine published at St. Paul, Minnesota, is as usual of especial interest to northwestern readers. A very entertaining contribution is written and illustrated by Geo. Cady Johnson and is descriptive of Lake Cushman, Washington. "A Pasco Belle," by Jennie Louise Harris is a western story that possesses unusual literary and dramatic merit. "Minnesota as an Educational Center" by Lucius R. Root, reflects credit upon the entire northwest. Dr. A. Hersey continues his graphic descriptions of Montana mines, towns and countries, Victor Herbert Smalley tells of his "Life as a Cadet," etc., etc. There is the usual amount of interesting miscellany, tales of western life, bits of science, humor and wit.

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How Canada is Governed.

Extract from The Week, Toronto, July 12th, 1895.

We commend to the careful study of our readers Dr. Bourinot's new book on "How Canada is Governed," just published in most excellent style by the Copp, Clark Co., Ltd., of Toronto. It presents the most succinct and popular review of Canadian institutions that has yet been attempted by any writer. As he tells us in his preface, he has kept steadily in view the requirements of that great mass of people, old and young, men and women, who have few opportunities of obtaining special knowledge of institutions of government. He has avoided all technical language wherever it is possible, and in every way has explained such words and phrases which, although in general use, are not always understood by those on whose lips they are most frequent. He has borne in mind the fact that a Canadian is not merely a citizen of Canada, and as such has duties and obligations to discharge within the Dominion and province, but that he is also a citizen of the greatest and noblest empire that the world has ever seen. Consequently one of the most important parts of this book is devoted to a brief account of the onerous functions of the Sovereign, who, through her national councils, executive and legislative, administers the affairs of Great Britain and Ireland, and of her many colonies and dependencies. The third part describes the nature and methods of the general government of the Dominion. The fourth part deals with the powers of the several provincial authorities that compose the federal union, and with the organization and procedure of the courts of law; the fifth part outlines the working of the municipal system, in which all classes of citizens should be deeply interested; the sixth part indicates the manner in which our public schools are administered by the government and people in every province, the seventh part briefly explains the mode in which the territorial districts of the northwest are governed before they have reached the dignity of provinces in the full possession of responsible government. The appendix contains the text of the constitution or British North America Act of 1867, and amending acts in full. The illustrations of legislative, school, and municipal buildings, and of the seals, flags and arms of the Dominion are most interesting and admirably done. It is a book which ought to be in the hands of every Canadian, young and old; and we specially recommend the study of the last chapter in which Dr. Bourinot impresses on his readers that good and safe government means active interest on the part of all classes of citizens, and not least on the part of those whose intelligence, education and standing give them special right to be leaders in creating a sound public opinion in their respective communities. The closing words of the chapter are deserving of the thoughtful attention of all citizens at this period of the moulding of our institutions:

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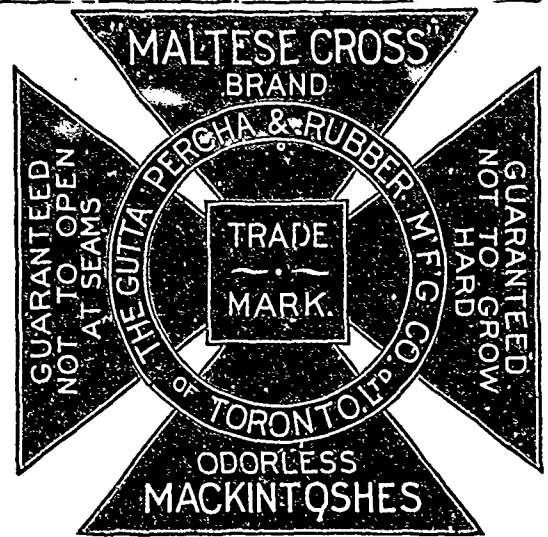
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Freight Rates and Traffic Matters.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin, of August 3, says: "Grain freights are firm at 1s for Liverpool, 1s 3d for Bristol, and 1s 1 1/2d for Glasgow. For Bristol 1s to 1 1/2d was bid and refused. The lowest rates this season were 3d to 4 1/2d, but it is to be hoped we will not see them again, as they are ruinously low for ship owners. In cheese there have been engagements to Liverpool at 10s to London at 20s, to Glasgow at 25s, and to Bristol at 20s. Provisions 9s to Liverpool and 15s to London and Glasgow. Cattle 12s 6d to 13d. Regarding inland freights, the rate from Duluth to Montreal is quoted at 5 1/2c on wheat, and from Chicago to Montreal engagements of corn have been concluded on the basis of 2 1/2c from Chicago to Kingston and 2 1/2c from Kingston to Montreal. Wheat has been taken from Duluth to Kingston at 3c and from Kingston to Montreal 2 1/2c.

The Chicago Trade Bulletin of August 5 says. Eastbound rates last week were unusually well maintained. Rates are 20c per 100 lbs on flour and grain and 80c for provisions. Through rates to Liverpool were easier at 19 to 21 1/2c per 100 lbs on flour, and 3 1/2 to 3 7/8 on provisions, and 9 to 9 1/2c per bushel for wheat and 8c for corn. Rates to Antwerp about 1c over Liverpool. Lake and rail rates to New York are 15c per 100 lbs on flour and 5 1/2c per bushel on corn and 5c on oats. The New England rates were steady at 8 1/2c on corn and 5 1/2c on oats. The demand for vessels was fair and rates to Buffalo firmer at 1 1/2c for corn and 1c for oats to Buffalo. The Port Huron rate was 1c and Kingston 2 1/2c on corn.

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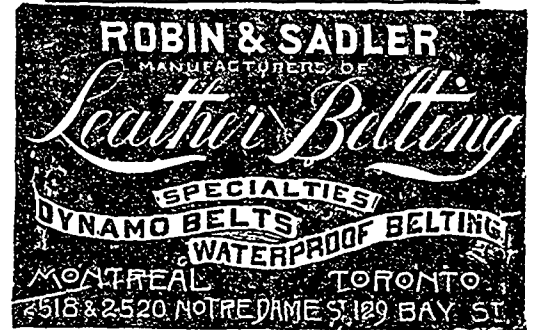
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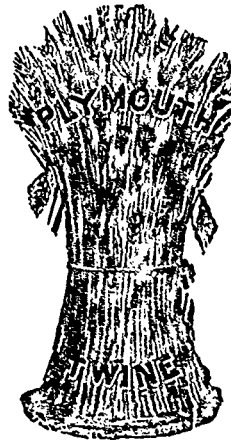
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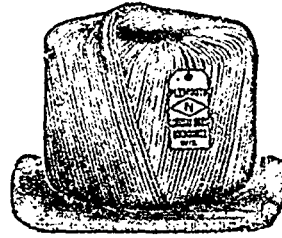
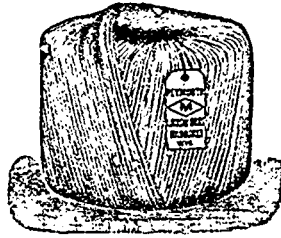
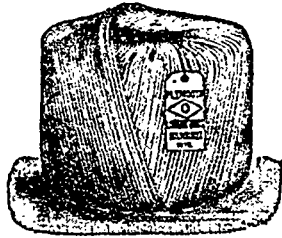
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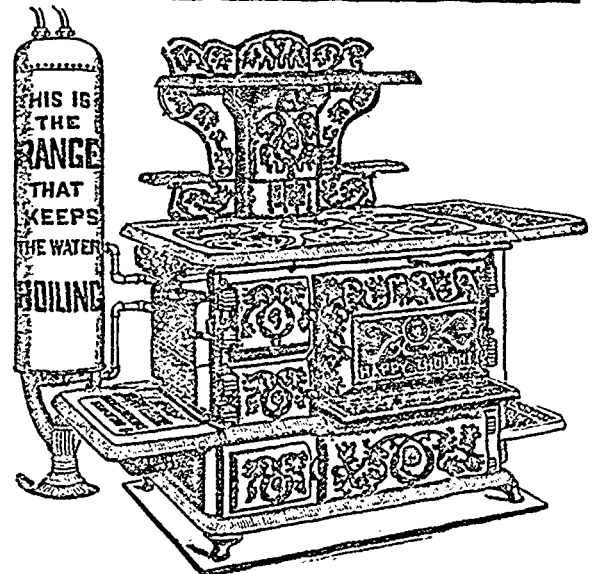
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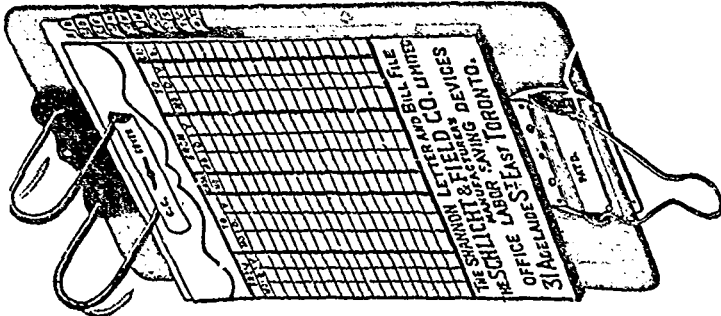
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Montreal Grain and Produce Market.

Flour.—The firmer feeling quoted by us last week has been lost, and western millers are offering car lots of straight roller at \$4.05 to \$4.10 on track here, resales of which are reported at \$4.15 to \$4.20 delivered. A lot of 1,000 bbls. of stright roller was sold in the west yesterday for shipment to St. John, N. B. at equal to \$4.05 here. Several good sized lots of strong bakers were placed recently at \$4.35, and one buyer says he can buy at less money. Spring patent \$1.60 to \$1.75; winter patent \$1.50; straight roller \$4.05 to \$4.20; city strong bakers \$1.85; Manitoba bakers \$1.25 to \$1.85; Ontario bags—extra \$1.90 to \$2.00; straight rollers, bags, \$2.05 to \$2.10.

Oatmeal.—The market is quiet and western millers have lowered prices considerably in order to make sales of car lots. There is a fair jobbing demand and we quote prices as follows: Rolled and granulated \$4.05 to \$4.10; standard \$4.00 and \$4.05. In bags, granulated and rolled are quoted at \$1.95 to \$2.00 and standard at \$1.90 to \$1.95. Pot barley \$4.25 in bbls. and \$2.00 in bags, and split peas \$3.50.

Bran and Shorts.—Bran is scarce, and quoted firm at \$17 to \$18. Shorts are firm at \$19.50 to \$21 as to quality.

Oats.—No. 2 white reported at 40½ to 41c. Regarding Manitoba mixed, the sale of a lot is reported as low as 85½c.

Barley.—Prices are nominally quoted at 56 to 58 for malting and 53 to 51c for feed.

Cured Meats.—Hams continues to rule very low, and considered the cheapest article on the list. Exports of bacon continue to increase in answer to the improvement in the English market. Canada short cut pork, per bbl, \$16.50 to \$17.50; Canada thin mess, per bbl, \$15 to \$15.50; hams, per lb, 10 to 11c; lard, pure, in pails, per lb, 9 to 9½c; lard compound, in pails, per lb, 6½ to 7c; bacon, per lb, 10 to 11c; shoulders, per lb, 8½c.

Butter.—The market has ruled easier for export and 17½ is the highest price that has been paid during the week, by shippers; but local dealers have paid 17½c likewise. Holders of late July, however, are asking more money. Creamery, finest July, 17½ to 18c, creamery, fair to good, 16½ to 17c, townships 14½ to 16c; Morrisburg 13 to 15c; western 13 to 14c.

Cheese.—The sale of about 800 boxes of Monalea combination took place this week at 7½c, and we quote 7½ to 8c for good to choice. Finest Ontario 8 to 8½c; eastern townships 7½c. French 7½ to 7¾c, undergrades 7 to 7½c.

Eggs.—Business reported at 11½ to 12c for candled stock.

Hides.—Dealers are still paying 8½c. The demand for the Quebec trade, however, is not

as urgent as it was, and but for the clearance of stocks by United States buyers, we should have accumulations here. As it is, however, the market is very bare of hides, and values are well maintained. We quote prices as follows: Light hides 8½c for No. 1, 7½c for No. 2, and 6½c for No. 3. Heavy hides 8½ to 9½c; calfskins 8c; lamb-skins 80 to 85c; clips 20c.

Wool.—A party in town is buying all the Canadian fleeces he can lay his hands on at 23½c, for United States account. Prices here remain firm as follows: Greasy Cape 19½ to 15½c; Natal 15 to 16½c; Canadian fleeces 20 to 23c; Buenos Ayres scoured 25 to 32c. In Canada pulled wool 20 to 21½c is quoted for supers, extra 23 to 26c; Northwest wool 12 to 15c; British Columbia 9c to 11c.—Trade Bulletin, August 3.

A Great Canal.

The Philadelphia Press says: "If contracts are kept the great canal which is to connect Lake Michigan with the Mississippi river will be finished in 1896, and one of the greatest projects of modern times will be brought to completion. The enterprise was suggested many years ago and a number of plans were proposed, but it is only in recent years that it was undertaken seriously. It has been pushed with vigor, however, the improvement in dredging machines and in blasting methods enabling rapid progress to be made. It will serve not only as a ship canal, but as a drainage channel for Chicago's sewerage. There are in reality two canals, one extending westward from Chicago to La Salle on the Illinois river, where it is met by another canal, which extends eastward from Rock Island on the Mississippi river.

"With the completion of these canals in sight the problem of supplying them with water is much discussed. The canal running eastward from Rock Island will draw its supply from the Mississippi river, but as this water flows into the Illinois river and so is returned to the Mississippi river a few miles north of St. Louis, no harm to the navigation of the Mississippi river is anticipated. The same confidence is not felt in respect to the source from which the canal running westward from Chicago will draw its water supply. This supply most come from Lake Michigan. The canal is 160 feet wide at the bottom, where it is cut through rock, and 200 feet wide through earth cuttings, and it is intended to furnish a depth of 18 feet of water, although its full capacity may not at first be utilized.

"The quantity of water necessary to supply the canal at first it is calculated will be 300,000 gallons a minute, and as it must all be drawn from Lake Michigan, the extent to which it will lower the level of that body of water and all the other lakes also is a matter of grave moment. Some engineers estimate

that there will be a general lowering of three inches in all the lakes, while others estimate that five or six and even nine inches is nearer the quantity that will flow off. If such a material lowering of the lake levels takes place it may disastrously affect commerce especially in dry years. Many harbors now having a sufficient depth of water for the largest lake vessels would be shallowed, and the St. Clair and Detroit rivers would not be navigable for heavy draft vessels. It is calculated also that the water now running over the Niagara Falls would be diminished by 5 per cent. at once and ultimately by 10 per cent.

Branding Dairy Packages.

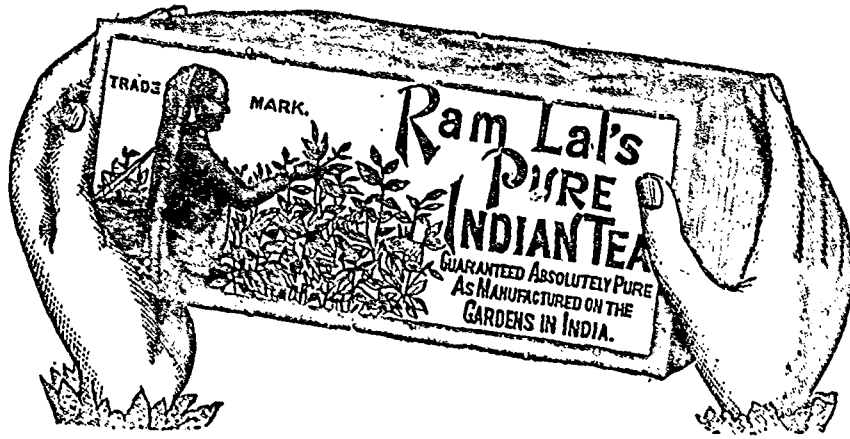
Every factory, says Mr. McDonald, dairy superintendent for Manitoba, should have a distinct brand. The words "Manitoba" and "Canada" should both be incorporated in the brand somewhat as follows:

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The brand should be stencilled on the side of the package and not on the cover, as on the latter place it is apt to become obliterated. The weight should be stencilled (not pencilled) on the side of the tub on the right side of the brand, giving gross weight, tare and net weight. Pencil marks are sure to rub out on the journey. The brand for cheese can be about the same as that for butter with the necessary changes. The brand should be stencilled on the side of the box in the hollow part just where the box is joined. The word "Canadian" or "Manitoba" should be branched on the cheese a day or so after it is taken from the press. It is a great advantage to use the word "Canadian," as Canadian cheese is acknowledged to be superior to that produced in any other country. The fact that England gets 60 per cent of all the cheese she uses from Canada shows the superiority of the article and the advantage of using the word "Canadian."

There was a binder twine shortage in Minnesota and Dakota, but it is thought there will now be enough to go around.

The Canadian Pacific railway company's farm laborers' excursion will leave Ontario for the west on the 13th and 20th of Aug. The company is also arranging for two farmers' excursions to leave Ontario August 27 and September 3.



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Grain and Milling Matters.

The by-law to bonus a farmers' elevator at Stonewall was defeated by a large majority.

Kerr and Ironside are building an elevator at Roland. Mr. Kerr will be in charge of the new elevator.

The by-law to exempt the proposed new Hudson's Bay Company's flour mill and elevator at Prince Albert, Sask., from taxation for twenty years, was defeated.

A. W. Snider, formerly in the employ of Alexander, Kelly & Co., millers, of Brandon, has formed a partnership with D. N. Russell, of Brandon, to carry on a milling business at Wawanessa, Man., in the mill now in course of construction at Wawanessa.

The employees of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company at Keewatin held their annual picnic recently. They went up the lakes on the steamer Swallow and all enjoyed the outing. The sports, especially the canoe racing and tilting were much enjoyed. The Keewatin band furnished music.

F. W. Thompson, manager at Winnipeg for the Ogilvie Milling Company, left recently for Cushing Island, off the coast of Maine. For several weeks Mr. Thompson has been seriously ill, and on the advice of his physicians he has decided to recuperate at the sea coast. He is accompanied by Dr. Holmes Simpson, who will attend him until he has completely recovered.

Stuart & Harper, machinery dealers, Winnipeg, have received the contract for supplying the machinery for the new Hudson's Bay Company's flour mill at Prince Albert, Sask., the capacity of which will be 100 barrels. Mr. Harper expects the coming season will be a very busy one for contractors in flour mill building, as at many points new mills are in contemplation.

The Killarney Farmers' Elevator company is making application for incorporation, Nathan Clark, Colin Finlayson, Alexander Finnen, William Crawford, William Shaver, John Spafford, Thomas McElroy, Wm. Smith, and James Baldwin, to be the first directors of the said company. Capital stock \$7,000, divided into 280 shares of \$25 each. It is proposed to build an elevator at Killarney of 30,000 bushels' capacity at once.

Fur Trade News.

A. Moore, a Winnipeg fur buyer for a large outside firm, left recently for the south, the fur season being about over. Mr. Moore informed a reporter that his shipments had been as satisfactory in quantity and quality as in former years. "The supply of bear skins, black and brown," said he, "has been very large; other about the same; mink muskrat and beaver, very plentiful. I do not think the supply shows any signs of falling off."

Sealskins are likely to be dearer this year than for several seasons past. At the department of marine and fisheries reports are carefully watched of the sealing operations, and there it is stated that the number of skins taken this year, and likely to be taken in Behring Sea during the open season, which commences on the first of August, will be considerably below the catch of 1894. The coast catch already accounted for is very much less.

Silver.

The silver market is dull and unchanged. London prices having sold down fractionally with a slight recovery. Silver prices on August 2 were: London 80½d, New York 66½c.

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Toronto Grain and Produce Prices.

Wheat.—The offerings are quite liberal of both old and new Ontario wheat and prices are unchanged at 76c for new and 78c for red and white sold north and west. Manitoba wheat is easier with sellers of cars of No. 1 hard west at 92c.

Flour.—Cars of straight roller are quoted at \$9 77. Toronto freights Manitoba flour is quoted at \$1.45 for cars of patents here and \$4.20 for strong bakers', and broken lots are quoted a trifle higher.

Milled.—The market is firm at \$18 to \$19 for cars of shorts and \$15 to \$15.50 for bran Toronto freights.

Barley.—Cars of feed are quoted outside at 46 to 47c.

Oats.—Mixed are quoted at 82½c and white at 83c north and west. Cars on track here are quoted at 87c.

Butter.—There is a good demand for fine dairy tubs and the market is steady for them at 14 to 15c.

Eggs.—Steady at 10½ to 11c.

Baled Hay.—The demand is slow and the market is easier at \$12.50 to \$18 for cars on the track here for No. 1 timothy.

Hides.—There is a good demand and the market is firm. A local dealer has a car of cured on hand now, the first he has had for three months, and he is asking 9½c for it; green are quoted at 8c. Lambskins 5c higher at 40c. Calfskins, 8c for No. 1 and 7c for No. 2. Tallow, dealers are paying 4½ to 5½c and selling at 5½ to 5¾c.

Wools.—There is not much being done in wools. Holders are still above the ideas of exporters and the market continues quiet. For fleece buyers are bidding 23 to 24c, according to selections, and holders in the country are asking 25c.—Globe, August 3.

Sugar.

The Sugar Cane, just received, contains a valuable translation from the Austrian consular reports of data concerning the sugar industry in India. Few persons have any idea of the wonderful capacity of that country in sugar production. It is estimated that even now India is producing 2,120,392 tons of raw sugar on 2,107,200 acres of land. In addition to this a large amount of palm sugar is also produced there. This sugar is practically all consumed at home. It is of low grade and the natives seem to be content therewith, in fact preferring it to higher grade sugar. The small land holdings interfere with the development of the central factory idea, and the result is that sugar is produced in a very small way and of quite inferior quality by a multitude of people. Should their attention ever be concentrated upon the production of cane sugar, as it has through the labors of English people in the production of tea, there is no telling how much sugar might be exported from India. The enormous supply of cheap labor there, their climate and soil are all factors that, once availed of, might swamp the rest of the world in sugar production.—Sugar Planters' Journal.

The World's Coal.

An English contemporary says: "The production of coal throughout the world last year was estimated at 553,700,000 tons. In this total the United Kingdom figured for 185,000,000 tons, Germany for 74,000,000 tons, France for 25,250,000 tons, Belgium for 19,500,000 tons, Austria and Hungary for 10,250,000 tons and the United States for 170,000,000 tons. It is estimated that 5,000,000 tons of coal were raised last year in Australia and New Zealand, 4,000,000 tons in Canada and 3,000,000 tons in British India."

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