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#### WINNIPEG, JUNE 18, 1888.

MACARTHUR will open the Russell House at Lethbridge.

GRAY, painter, Macleod, intends moving to Lethbridge.

PORT ARTHUR real property is moving more freely, it is said.

MRS. DOWSER, of Macleod, has opened the Royal Hotel, at Lethbridge.

M. McKenzie is putting up a building at Lethbridge, to be used as a brewery.

MRS. ADAMS has opened a millinery and dressmaking establishment at Medicine Hat,

MISSES WARDMAN have opened business as dressmakers and milliners at Lethbridge, Alberta.

Miss Auld has opened a fancy goods, millinery and dressmaking establishment at Prince Albert, Sask.

J. L. TAYLOR and Hugh Johnston have leased the blacksmithing and carriage building business, recently carried on at Port Arthur by D. Coveny.

THE natural gas find is causing a good deal of interest at Port Arthur. The people are already imagining themselves a large manufacturing community.

W. P. WILLIAMS, of Williams & Bunting, carpenters and builders, Winnipeg, has left for the United States, collecting all available moneys due the firm, and leaving nothing behind except unpaid bills.

AT a recont meeting of the Medicine Hat board of trade, the president read a letter he had received from John Small, of the Medicine Hat Raiiway Company, asking for tenders for sinking a shaft at the mines. THE Queen's Hotel, Rapid City, Man., has been closed.

H. D. TALBOT, harnessmaker, Neepawa, Man., is selling out to C. D. Penrose.

W. WALLEY, late of J. & W. Walley, Birtle, Man., will open a store at Langenburg.

T. C. Fogo, formerly harness maker at Mcdicine Hat, is now located at Elkhorn, Man.

WM. HANCOCK, harness dealer, Stonewall, Man., has added a stock of furniture to his business.

Fire destroyed Fitzgerald's blacksmith building at Dominion City, Man., last week. Loss \$400; no insurance.

A. P. W. GOLDSMID, general merchant, Binscarth, Man., has assigned in trust to R. T. Riley, of Winnipeg.

THE Northwest Central Railway is being pushed forward. The first fifty miles of grading will soon be completed.

W. H. Ross, of Toronto, has purchased a controlling interest in the Manitoba Cartage company of Winnipeg.

Rapid City Spectator: Some Ontario gentlemen who were in town this week, talk of starting a bank and building an elevator here.

Tenders are being called for by the Qu'Appelle board of trade for fire appliances for the town, and water tanks will be sunk at convenient points by the same institution.

THE general stock of C. W. Williams, Killarney, Man., will be offered for sale by the assignce on June 20 h. The stock amounts to \$5,627. The book debts will also be offered for sale, amounting to \$1,800.

THE Port Arthur council at a recent meeting adopted the report of the committee recommending the introduction of a system of incandescent electric light for the town. A by-law for the same will be submitted.

The stock of Geo. Brownell, general merchant, Neepawa, Man., will be offered for sale by the assignce, on June 22nd. The sale will take place in Winnipeg. The stock and fixtures amount to \$3,169, and book debts \$920.

A SPECIAL general meeting of the share-holders of the Canadian Anthracite Coal Company will be held at Winnipeg on the 26th June, for the following purposes,: To consider the expediency of selling or otherwise disposing of the property and franchises of the company; and to authorize a person to make such sale or disposal if deemed expedient.

A SAMPLE sheet of The Dominion Illustrated has been received. This is a new illustrated journal, the first regular issue of which will appear on Dominion Day. The paper will be publishedd by G. E. Desbarates & Son, of Montreal, weekly. Special attention will be given to Canadian scenery, industries attractions, etc. The sketches in the sample sheet are excellent. They include cuts of Sir John Macdonald, and Hon. Thos. Greenway, of Manitoba; views in the National Park and British Columbia; fine art subjects and humorous sketches, etc. If the same degree of excellences is kept up in the regular issues, the journal will be bound to succeed.

H. S. WESBROOK returned from the south on Wednesday.

The new roller flour mill at Moosomin, Assa., is advertised for sale.

C. H. Romisson has purchased Joe. Benson's livery business at Winnipeg.

MR. FRASER, of James O'Brien & Co., went down to Port Arthur last night.

D. D. MANN has commenced operations on his contract on the M. & N. W. railway.

Scorer & Ewing have bought out the business of Bell, manufacturer of aerated waters, Regina, Assa.

DESIARLAIS, a trader from Lesser Slave Lake, has arrived at Edmonton with about \$2,000 worth of furs.

R. Second, late in the employ of J. A. Mc-Dougall, of Edmonton, will open a store at Athabasca Landing.

ROBT. KING, of Shoal Lake, and W. Treleaven, of Portage la Prairie, Man., have formed a partnership in the organ and musical business at the latter place.

PRESIDENT CAMPBELL, of the Commercial Travellers' Association, has resigned, as he is about to leave the city. Mr. Campbell's head-quarters in future will be Buffalo.

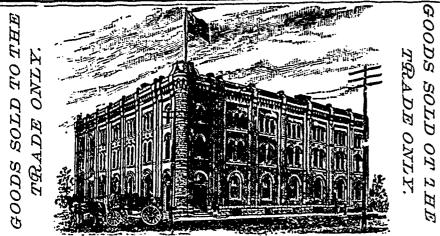
THE Grenfell cheese company, Grenfell, Assa., is said to have disposed of its entire make of cheese for the month of May at 14 cts. per lb. This a big price, if correct.

LETTERS Patent have been issued to The Empire Brewing and Malting Company (Limited) of Winnipeg, with the object to carry on a malting and brewing business in Manitoba.

The Qu'Appelle Valley flour mills, Fort Qu'Appelle, Assa., are now in running order again, after having been closed down for some time for the purpose of making changes and improvements in the mill. The capacity of the mill has been enlarged as well as the ability to turn out a finer grade of flour given.

APPLICATION of incorporation will be made for the Lake Winnipeg Transportation, Lumber and Trading Company. The capital stock is placed at \$40,000. Selkirk will be the head-quarters of the company, and the business will consist in lumbering and transportation on Lake Winnipeg and tributary streams. The applicants are, S. Jonasson, Winnipeg; F. Frederickson, Glenboro; James Walkley, St. Clements; T. H. Smith, Springfield, Norman Matheson, Kildonan; F. W. Colcleugh and W. H. Eaton, Selkirk.

WITH the commencement of its third year, The Emigrant has been changed in name, and will hereafter be known as the Manitoba Colonist. The issue for June has appeared, bearing the new name, but in every other respect, the journal is unaltered, and the high standard of excellence hitherto maintained, will be kept up. Like the Emigrant, the Manitoba Colonist will be published in the interests of emigration to Western Canada. The good work the journal is doing in this direction, deserves more generous recognition. Emigration pamphlets may be very well in their place, but no class of emigration literature should be as effective as a well conducted emigration journal, issued at regular intervals.



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THE Portage la Prairie Liberal fires off a column and a half of editorial matter at THE COMMERCIAL, in its last issue, on the subject of railway connection between that town and Winnipeg, The Liberal is decidedly wrong in its conclusions. THE COMMERCIAL adopted exactly the same line of argument in connection with the Red River Valley railway, that it has done in connection with the proposed road to Portage la Prairie. THE COMMERCIAL never said "that it was of vital importance that the Red River road should be completely under the control of the Government." Exactly the opposite idea was put forth by this journal. As a matter of fact, THE COMMERCIAL was the very first journal to point out that, with the removal of monopoly, the necessity for the construction of a road to the boundary by the Government, ceased to exist. Further, this journal urged, that it would be advisable for the Government to endeavor to have the road to the boundary built by a private company. In the case of the Red River Valley road, a considerable expenditure had been incurred by the late Government, previous to the removal of monopoly, and only in order to protect this expenditure, it was admitted that it might be necessary for the Government to complete the work, providing no satisfactory arrangement could be made with a private company. THE COMMERCIAL is therefore perfectly consistent in its reference to the proposed road from Winnipeg to Portage la Prairie. A connecting road between Portage la Prairie and the Red River Valley is very necessary, and there should be no difficulty in inducing a private company to undertake the work. The construction of the proposed road by the Government is to be depreciated, as indeed any general policy of Government railway construction should be. Whether the Northwestern or some other railway company undertakes the work of building the road to Portage la Prairie, it matters little, though the former company would naturally seem to be in the best position to build the road. It would certainly be greatly to the advantage of the Northwestern Company to own the road, or at least have a controlling

interest in it, so that it could give through rates from any points on its line. At any rate the read would be obliged to work in connection with the Northwestern, to be of any service to the country, beyond the Portage.

A MOVEMENT is on foot at Westminster and Vancouver, B. C., to endeavor to bring about the fortification of the mouth of the Fraser river and also Burrard Inlet. Westminster being situated on the former, and Vancouver on the latter. A memorial upon the subject has been drawn up, for submission to the department at Ottawa, and probably representation will also be made to the Imperial Government. The boards of trade and city councils of the two cities mentioned, are moving in the matter. Esquimault, on the south-eastern extremety of Vancouver Island, which is a British naval station, is now the only proteced point on the British Columbian coast. The memorial sets forth that it is necessary to fortify the mainland points, in order to protect the C. P. Railway, and that without such fortification, the value of the railway as a military highway will be greatly lessened, and perhaps rendered useless in case of an emergency. The Imperial Government, it will be noticed by recent discussions in Parliament, has decided to continue Esquimault as the princip 1 Pacific naval station, grants having been made to increase the defences at that port. The claims of Burrard Inlet, it will be seen from an item elsewhere in this issue, were not considered favorably.

It is reported that notwithstanding the prohibitory liquor regulations in force in the Territories, a license will be granted by the Dominion Government to the new U. P. R. hotel at Banff, to sell liquors. The Government has already made a concession in favor of the railway corporation, by allowing the sale of liquors on the dining cars. There can be no excuse. however, for permitting the sale of liquor at the Banff hotel, whilst others are prevented from selling. If a license be granted in this instance, it will be a clear case of favoritism,

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and will certainly cause a great deal of dissatisfaction, in the Territories.

### Lumber Cuttings.

On account of the Alberta Lumber Company failing to erect their mill at Red Deer, Alberta, McKenzie Bros. will operate their mill.

The large saw mill of Mitchell & Bucknell, at Millwood, Man., has been started. Several thousands of saw logs are now in the boom.

Tait has gone up the river, from Birtle, Man., with men, teams and supplies, to move saw logs that the high water difted out of the channel of the river.

Rat Portage Neuri: The average daily cut of lumber of the Minnesota & Ontario Lumber Co. is 95,000 feet. A log of white pine 38 inches in diameter, and containing 1,000 feet of lumber, went through the mill this week.

J. H. Flanigan has a contract for cutting 8,000,000 shingles for Graham, Horne & Co, of Port Arthur, and the mill is turning them out at the rate of about 30,000 a day. A new machine will be along next week and when it is placed in position the capacity of the mill will be doubled. Heretofore Graham, Horne & Co. have brought their shingles in from the United States.

Vancouver News: The new sash and door factory of George Cassady & Co., is rapidly approaching completion and will commence op crations in a few days. The building is a large three storey frame structure and is litted with the latest and most approved machinery. It is the intention to supply heat by means of steam pipes to the drying rooms from the same boiler. Nearly all the machinery is in duplicate, so there is no chance of the production of any article being stopped through a breakdown Outside of the value of the building there is already \$12,000 worth of machinery in the

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other is used, providing the timber can be se cured in time. For some time past the mills have been shipping sill timber to the largest car works in the United States, and new orders are constantly being received from them-a sufficient proof of the satisfaction the lumber gives. To-day four carloads of sill timber were shipped to the Crossen Car Works, of Cobourg, Ont., the first shipment of a large order lately received. The timber is all 65 feet in length, of the best quality and not a knot or flaw will be found in any stick of it. This lumber will be used by the Crossen Works on the palace and first-class cars now being built for the C. P. R., and which require the very best material that can be produced.

Fader Bros., who lately purchased a saw mill at Vancouver, B. C., have started men to work for the construction of a large saw mill which they intend erecting along side of their present one. They have coming from Ontario \$20,000 worth of new machinery.

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Four ocean-going ships have been chartered to load lumber at Westminster, B. C., for export. This marks a new era in the lumber trade on the Fraser river.

#### Western Notes.

The Bairnsfather family of Scottish vocalists, performed in Winnipeg last week to appreciative audiences. The company will make a trip over the C. P. R., giving entertainments in the principal towns between Winnipeg and Victoria, B. C.

Medicine Hat Times :- Tweed and Cousins, the committee appointed to solicit subscriptions to the founding of a ladies' seminary in Medicine Hat, secured subscriptions to the amount of \$2,000. The subscribers are given three years to pay their amounts, one-third each year. The seminary is now a sure thing

At a recent meeting of the Calgary Council it was decided to draw up a by-law to raise a loan by debentures to the amount of \$12,000. That would give them \$5,000 to spend on public works after paying off the debt for other public improvements already incurred. The assessment of the town is about \$1,250,000, and the taxable portion \$1.000,000. If 16 mills on the dollar is levied the taxes would amount to \$16,-000, and the by-law for \$12,000 would raise the funds for the year to \$28,000. The expenditure will amount to \$23,000, leaving \$5,000 for other public improvements.

A correspondent writes :- Huns Valley is a thriving settlement of Hungarians about 17 miles from Minnedosa and the same from Neepawa. About thirty families are located in the valley, which is of large extent and very fertile and well watered by the Stony creek. The Hungarians are a very industrious, sober and peaceable people, and appreciate the many advantages they enjoy on Canadian soil. They are cultivating an increasing number of acres from last year, and own a fair share of cattle and horses. Some of the men go to work on the M. & N. W. R. through the summer, coming home to get in hay and harvest. The postmaster is M. Ruby, and a small general store has been opened lately by Mr. Ewes, on 19, 16, 16. The colony is under the supervision of the Count G. L. De Dory. Several English settlers are also doing well in this settlement.

## The Commercial

WINNIPEG, JUNE 18, 1888.

#### BARLY CLOSING.

The movement to bring about the early closing of stores by legal enactment, is one which is attracting a good deal of attention from a portion of the commercial community of Manitoba, especially in the city of Winnipeg. The nature of the Act passed at the last session of the Manitoba Legislature, is well known to the readers of this journal, the provisions of the measure having been several times explained in these columns. The Act is not an original one, so far as the Manitoba Legislature is concerned. It is almost a copy of an Act passed by the Ontario Legislature, at its last meeting. The measure had not been in force in Ontario long enough to determine its practical working, and therefore its introduction in Manitoba is purely experimental. It is believed, however, that it should work even more favorably here than in many parts of old Canada, as the people here are generally of a liberal disposition, and are largely in favor of early closing on principle. This is shown by the favor with which the Act has been received in Winnipeg. Although only a few weeks have elapsed since the Act was adopted by the Legislature, already nearly all the merchants in Winnipeg have petitioned to have the measure (which is a local option one) brought into force in the city. The necessary by-laws will, no doubt, be prepared in due time, and soon the Act will be in force here, so that the merchants and people generally of Winnipeg, will be able to judge personally, of the advantages and disadvantages of early closing by legislative enactment.

In Ontario in a large number of towns and some cities, the Act has been brought into force, and so far as is yet known, the general verdict is favorable to the measure, though, as previously noted, it is too soon to speak definitely. Public opinion is somewhat erratic at times, and a wave of sentiment in favor of early closing, may be succeeded by a predominating feeling in an opposite direction. Early closing, however, is a reform which, one would naturally suppose, should make steady progress, and in connection with which a retrogressive movement could hardly be expected. Still, there are objections of an important na-

ture, which can be urged against the legislation in question, and which will carry much weight with many, even among some who sympathetically are favorable to the movement. In Ontario, the Act has received a serious set-back in the city of Toronto, where its constitutionality has been seriously questioned. In Toronto, where the Act was brought into force, it has been repealed almost before it could be brought into working order, and consequently before an opportunity was afforded of testing its value. This was owing to the opposition of the smaller merchants, many of whom worked hard against the measure. The larger dealers, it is noted, were generally favorable to

In Winnipeg some slight opposition to the Act is developing, but it does not promise to be of such strength as to seriously endanger the enforcement of the system, at least until it has had a trial. Public opinion here, both among the merchants and the purchasing public, is evidently largely in sympathy with the movement, and until this feeling undergoes considerable change, the opposition from the few small dealers, who are mostly of the Jewish persuasion, does not seriously threaten the Act. The objections urged against the early closing movement in Winnipeg, are the usual stock ones. One party, signing himself a "Laborer," and who is probably a small trader in disguise, writes a letter complaining of the injustice which will be done to the workingmen by the early closing of stores. This is one of the principal arguments against the movement, and at the same time one of the weakest, but one which does not often come from laborers. As a matter of fact, there is a good deal of a "fad" about it. Workingmen, who know themselves what it is to labor hard, are not the people to impose long hours upon others. Under the Act, the stores will not be closed until seven o'clock in the evening, and as laborers and mechanics stop work at six o'clock, they will have an hour, which is ample time, to do purchasing. Besides this, on Saturdays and days before holidays, the stores will be open for several hours later. To set the matter of injustice to workingmen at rest, the labor organizations of Winnipeg have themselves heartily endorsed the early closing movement. The experience of many clerks is, that ladies of the middle and higher classes, who have ample time during the day, are the ones who do the bulk of the shopping in the evening.

The real objection to early closing by legislation, hinges on the question of individual liberty. The right to infringe on this liberty is not really clear in every case. Still the principle acted upon is by no means a new departure. The question of individual liberty is in itself a notty one and moreover one which is constantly undergoing a change in the popular belief. Just about every law of the land may be considered a curtailment of individual liberty, and just how far this curtailment of individual liberties may go, is largely one of education. Laws which at one time might seem arbitrary, might seem perfectly proper at another period in the history of a country. To come to the point, the long hours of labor which shop assistants are obliged to submit to, is generally conceded to be an injustice. Very few will dony this. Is it then an infringement upon individual liberty to endeavor to prevent an injustice? Further, is it not the first duty of a Government to protect all classes of citizens from injustice and wrong? It can be said of clerks and shop assistants, that they are not obliged to stick to the store; but as a class they are by force of circumstances compelled to follow this pursuit. The compulsory closing of shops is therefore an act of justice to the workers in these places, whilst it is not a hardship, and very often a benefit to the merchant. Early closing by mutual agreement is admittedly a failure, and there is no other way to secure justice for shop; assistants than through legislation. The act now on trial in Manitoba and Ontario, is a very mild one, and it can only be brought into force when at least two-thirds of the merchants affected thereby are in favor of the enforcement of the measure. Its effect is therefore to prevent one or two obstinate dealers from interfering with the comfort, convenience and rights of the very large majority. As nearly all law may be considered a curtailment of individual liberty, a little extension of the principle in an admittedly good cause, should not cause alarm.

There is one feature in connection with this early closing act which may be worthy of notice. By the compulsory closing of stores at a given hour, it may be considered that the cart has been placed before the horse. The object of the act is no doubt primarily and mainly to protect employees in shops. Why not then limit the hours of labor for employees in shops, instead of regulating the closing of shops? The former plan would be to strike directly at the abuse, whilst the latter system attempts to attain the object in a roundabout fashion. To limit the hours of service in shops to a reasonable length of time each day, instead of regulating the closing of shops, would also seem less of an interference wit individual rights. The larger merchants, however, would probably prefer that the hour for closing should be regulated, as the small dealers, who are mostly given to late hours, would thus be compelled to close at the stipulated time.

### A FOOLISH ARGUMENT.

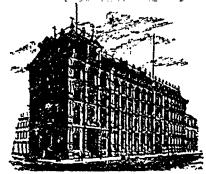
The Winnipeg Free Press has just made the startling discovery (?) that Russia is a wheat-growing country, and on this account it sees no salvation for Canada outside of commercial union with the United States. According to the Free Press, this Russian competition is going to drive American wheat out of British markets, which is going to be very disastrous to this continent. On this account, says the Free Press, "the wheat raising area of the continent must be contracted, until it is confined to the belt best fitted to pro duce the finest grades of wheat at the least cost." The Free Press goes on:-"When that happens Manitoba and the Northwest will produce the great bulk of the wheat of the continent and the United States duty must necessarily be removed to allow Canadian wheat to enter American territory free. This is another proof of the fact that the people of this continent were intended to trade freely with each other, and that unrestricted reciprocity is in store for us in the near future."

Was there ever such a silly argument thrust upon an intelligent public. Briefly, the "argument" of the Free Press is, that on account of the large surplus of wheat in the United States, for which there will be no emport market, wheat growing in that country will be curtailed. No doubt wheat growing would be curtailed under these circumstances, but the Free Press does not stop at this statement. It goes on to say that, on account of not being able to find a market for its surplus wheat, the United States will be compelled to take the duty off wheat and import this commodity (of which it has a surplus

which it is very anxious to export) from Canada! And this bosh is worked off in order to make a point in favor of the party plank of Commercial Union. The logical writer for the Free Press will no doubt consider that he has advanced a powerful argument, but to the average reader, whose perception is doubtless not quite so keen as the erudite editor, it will be a difficult matter to comprehend the full scope of the very wonderful conclusion arrived at by the Free Fress.

What appears to be such startling news to the Free Press, regarding Russian competition in the British wheat markets, will not be looked upon as anything of a wonderful nature by those familiar with the situation. The announcement that Russia has shipped a few tons of low grade flour to England, need not cause a panic in American wheat growing dis-The very low price at which this Russian flour sold, as compared with the lowest American grades, would go to show that the flour was not favorably received. Russia has long been known as a wheat growing country, second only to France among the countries of Europe. She has for many years been exporting wheat to Italy, Germany, Great Britain and other countries, and her capabilities in this direction have long since been known. The average annual production of wheat in Russia for five years, up to last year, was about 260,000,000 bushels. This gave a surplus for export of from 40,000,000 to 50,000,000 bushels. Therefore there is no fresh cause for alarm, such as the Free Press appears to feel from Russian competition.

The Free Press appears to misunderstand the cablegram from a London firm, to the effect that Great Britain might be able to do without American wheat for the balance of the season. The present wheat situation will explain this. Wheat has advanced sharply in American markets, on the strength of short crops for the coming season on this continent. British markets have not followed the advance in America, relying on supplies from Russia and other exporting countries to meet immediate requirements. The cable simply means that Great Britain may be able to get along for a few weeks without buying American wheat, at the advanced prices. It would be absurd to imagine, as the Free Press takes it, that Great Britain is likely soon to be able to get along altogether without American wheat. During the winter season, Russia is at a disadvantage, as her wheat exporting ports are blocked up. Her principal wheat movement takes place in the spring, and with a good crop last summer, she will be able to put considerable wheat on the market during the next two months. With the present advance in America, the wheat movement from the Atlantic coast will likely continue light for the present, but there is no immediate probability that the wheat importing countries of the world will be able to do without the 100,000. 000 bushels and upwards of wheat annually exported from the Atlantic coast of this continent, and which is from two to three times greater than the exports of any other country. Any great reduction in wheat production in the United States, so as to cut off exports from that country, would undoubtedly have the effect of greatly advancing prices in importing countries. Instead of being crowded out of the world's wheat markets, America is almost certain to continue for many years the great competitor with all comers in importing wheat markets. But should the opposite be the case (which at the present time there is little reason to apprehend) Canada and the United States would suffer alike. Both countries would be obliged to give up growing wheat for export. If Canada could not compete with Russia, India and other countries in British markets, it would be folly to think of competing successfully with United States wheat growers in their home markets. The Free Press panacea of commercial union can therefore hardly be trusted to meet the case. The acreage sown to wheat in the United States has largely increased during the past ten or twelve years, but owing to the rapidly growing population and steadily increasing home consumption, wheat exports have not kept pace with the expansion in the area sown. Low prices will, of course, curtail production, but when the United States ceases to export wheat, it will be because home consumption, on account of increasing population, has overtaken production. The time will probably come soonerthan many people imagine, when the United States will have little or no wheat for export, and then Canada may be in a position to export to that country to advantage.



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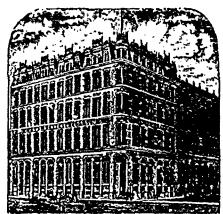
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#### WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

Monetary affairs in commercial circles have been dragging along in a rather slow manner during the past week, and there has been no feature worthy of note except it be a little weakening in the rate of discount the banks have tried to maintain. Although in mercantile circles there has been considerable part renewing and other patching up done of late, the volume of regular trade paper going to discount falls far short of the supply of funds at the command of the banks, and no one, or at least very few are inclined to extend business into any new field at present. Then in connection with the grain movement, the call for funds is very limited, and seems to come in little hectic spurts. Thus a combination of influences holds the money demand rather below normal, and with the uncertainty still existing in Ontario, banks covet business here more than they did a year ago. A weakening in the discount rate is the result, and from a few special accounts. in which heavy exchange transactions brought additional profit, the number of parties discounting at 7 per cent. has been increasing, and should the present crep be harvested in good condition, that rate will doubtless become general next fall. Still the banks hold as many customers as possible up to the 8 per cent. notch. In connection with real estate mort gage business affairs are going on smoothly and with a little life. There is a steady demand for farm loans at 8 per cent., although loan companies could handle more, but there is almost no call for first class city loans, in which a slightly lower rate could be obtained.

#### WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

Speaking generally, a quiet feeling prevailed in wholesale trade circles last week. In some branches there was a fair movement, but in others absolute dulness ruled, textile branches being among the most quiet. Provisions were also rather slow in movement. In groceries there was a fair average business, and hardware lines are improving. From the city there has not yet been much call for building material, lumber, etc., but the demand from the country keeps up fairly active. The favorable weather for the crops gave a hopeful feeling for the future. Retail trade in the city is not brisk.

#### CANNED GOODS.

Quotations are: Tomatoes, \$3.25; peas, \$3.50 to \$3.75; beans, \$2.75 to \$3.00; corn, \$3.25 to \$3.40; peaches, (Canadian) \$7.00 to \$8.00; apples, \$3.25 to \$3.50; pears, \$3.25 to \$5.50; pears, \$4.50 to \$5.00; strawberries \$5.25; raspberries, \$4.75 to \$5.25; peaches (California) \$5.50; pears, \$8.00; Plums, \$7.50; apricots, \$8.00.

#### DRY COODS.

Sorting trade in dry goods has so far this season been rather light, and not up to expectations. In clothing there has yet been very little doing in sorting business this season. Travellers are on the road. The grey goods department of the cotton combine had a meeting at Montreal last week, and a comparison of reports showed a comparatively small stock on hand. The combine still flourishes, except in

shirtings, in which by common consent the agreement has lapsed.

#### DRUGS.

In this branch business is steady, and there is yet no change to note in prices. Prices are: Howard's quinine, 75 to 90c; German quinine, 65 to 75c; morphia, \$2.50 to \$3.00; iodide of potassium, \$4.25 to \$4.75; bromide of potassium, 65 to 75c; American camphor, 40 to 45c; English camphor, 45 to 50c; glycerine, 30 to 40c; tartaric acid, 70 to 75c; cream of tartar, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg, \$8 to \$10; bicarb soda, \$4.50 to \$5; sal soda, \$2.50 to \$3.00; chlorate of potash, 25 to 30c; alum, \$4 to \$5.00; copperas, \$3 to \$3.25; sulphur flour, \$4.50 to \$5.00; sulphur, roll, \$4.50 to \$5.25; American blue vitrol, 7½ to 3½c.

#### FRUITS-DRIED, AND NUTS.

Quotations are: Dates, golden 10c per lb.; in 50-lb. boxes; Valencia raisins, \$2.30 to \$2.50 per box; Morand's Valencias, \$2.40 to 2.50 per box; Malagas, London layers, \$3.50; Eleme figs, in different sized boxes, 15c per lb.; Walnuts, 18c per lb.; peauuts, raw, 15c; roasted, 17c; almonds, 20c; pecans, 17c; Filberts, 15c; Brazils, 17c per lb.; cocoanuts, \$1.20 per dozen.

#### PRUITS-GREEN, VEGETABLES, ETC.

Old apples may now be considered a thing of the past for this season. Oranges and lemons have made a sharp advance, and are strong at quotations, with further advances expected. Cherries, peaches, apricots, etc., are in the market. Quotations were as follows: Messina oranges, \$8 to \$8.25: Riverside oranges, \$8.00 to \$8.25; Messinas, 1 boxes, \$4: Messina lemons, \$7.50 to \$8: bananas, \$3.50 to \$5 per bunch; pineapples, \$3.75 to \$4.50 per doz.; rhubarb, 5c per pound; cucumbers, 80c per doz.; tomatoes, & bushel boxes, \$2.75; new cabbage, 6c per pound or \$6.00 per crate: Bermuda onions, \$4.50 per box of 50 lbs.; Southern onions, \$8.00 per barrel; Maple syrup, 4 gal. tins, \$7.75 dozen, quart tins, \$4.50 dozen; Maple sugar, 13c pound, small cakes; cider, rectified, per bbl 32 gallons, \$14.00; in \( \frac{1}{2} \) barrels, \$7.50.

#### FIIRS.

Fur business was rather active last week, quite a number of large lots from the north being in the market. Reports from the London June sales are awaited. Quotations here have not been changed, excepting for red fox, which has been dropped. In the following range of prices it will be understood that only a No. 1 prime skin will bring the highest figure, and that the bottom prices are for the lowest grade of unprime skins. There are usually about six grades from the lowest to the best qualities. This will account for the wide range of quotations, as follows:-Beaver, \$1 to \$6 per skin; badger, 25c to \$1.50; black bear, \$2 to \$16; cubs do, 50c to \$4.00; brown bear or cinnomor, \$1 to \$15; cubs do, 50c to \$3; grizzly bear, \$3 to \$35; cubs do, \$1 \$12; white bear, \$3 to \$50; cubs do, \$2 to \$15; lynx, 25c to \$3.00; cubs do, 5c to 40c; wild cat, 25 to 75c; timber wolf, 25c to \$3; large prairie do, 25c to \$1.30; small prairie do or coyote, 25c to \$1, wolverine, 50c to \$4; panther 10c to \$2.50; fisher, 50c to \$6; red fox,

25c to \$1.35; kit fox, 25c to 60c; silver, grey or black fox. \$4 to \$50 according to color and quality, cross fox, 50c to \$5; blue fox, 50c. to \$4.50; white fox, 25c to \$1.50; martin, 25c to \$4.25, mink, 15 to 60c, muskrat, midwinter, 6 to 10c, fall, 3 to 5c, spring, 3 to 12c, culls and kits, 1 to 2c, etter, \$1 to \$3, do cubs, 25 to 75, raccoon, 25 to 80c, skunk, 15 to 50c. Skins may be so badly damaged or out of season that even the lowest price stated can not be obtained.

#### GROCKRIKS.

Eastern advices report further advances at the refin ries in sugars, of from one sixteenth to Ic. Prices were very firm, and no shading entertained. Samples of new Japan tea, said to be of superior quality, and slightly under last year's prices, are now being shown in some markets. The movement in Chinese tea markets is said to be very backward, owing to the high views of holders. Quotations are as follows: Sugars, dark yellow, 7 to 71c; bright yellow, 74 to 74c; granulated, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$c; lumps, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$c. Coffees— Rios, from 18 to 22c; Java, 25 to 30c; Old Government 33 to 34c; Mochas, 32 to 35c. Teas, Japan 23 to 48c; Congous, 22 to 60c; Indian teas, 35 to 60c; young hyson, 26 to 50c. Syrups, corn, \$2.4) to \$2.60; sugar cane, \$2.50 to \$2.75; T. and B. tobacco, 56c per pound; P. of W., butts 47c; P. of W. caddies, 48c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c, Brier, 7s, 53c, Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d. thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunette Solace, 12s, 48c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$30; Mikado, \$40; Terrier, \$30 per 1000.

#### HIDES.

Quotations here are as follows: Winnipeg inspection, No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3c; bulls, 2c; calf, fine haired real veal, 6 to 11 pound skins, No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 4c; sheep pelts, 25 to 60c. Tallow, rendered, 4c per lb; rough, 2e per pound.

#### HARDWARE AND METALS.

Trade is still rather quiet. A number of changes will be noticed in quotations, all to a lower figure, which is owing to lower freight rates. The opening of navigation on the lakes, with reduced rates, has had a tendency to lower prices. Ocean freights are also very low. On the other hand, a general firmness in hardware in the old country has had the effect of partially neutralizing the advantage of lower freights. On this account there is a disposition to hold up prices to old quotations, notwithstanding lower freights. Still, quotations are being shaded to some extent for round orders. Prices are: Cut nails, 10d and larger \$3.75; I. C. tin plates, \$6 to \$6.25; I. C. tin plates, double, \$12. to \$12.50; Canada plates, \$3.75 to \$4.; sheet iron, \$3.75 to \$5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, 35 to 40 per cent off list prices; ingot tin, 35 to 37c per lb., according to quality; bar iron, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 61 to 63; per lb., tarred felt, \$2.60 to \$2.75 per 100 lbs. barbed wire, 61 to 7c

#### LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Prices are steady as follows: Spanish sole 27 to 31c; slaughter sole, 30 to 32c; French calf, first choice \$1.25 to \$1.50; Canadian calf, 75c to \$1.00; French kip, \$1 to \$1.10; B Z kip, 85 to 90c; Bourdon kip, 70c; slaughter kip, 55

to 65c; No 1, wax upper, 45 to 50c; grain upper, 50c; harness leather, 29 to 32c for plump stock. American oak sole, 45 to 60c; buffe, 17 to 22c a foot; cordovan, 17 to 21c; pebble, 21 to 23c; colored linings, 12c.

LUMBER.

Trade prospects continue favorable, and the lake mills are pushing operations actively. Logs are now on the way down the river for cutting at Winnipeg. In the list given below, some changes will be noticed, mainly in dimension, which went into force the first of last week. Following are the list prices, f. o. b. at Rat Portage, Keetwatin and Norman :-Dimension-2x4 to 8x8, 12 to 16 ft long, \$14: do 10, 18, and 20 ft long, \$15;2x10 to 12x12, 12 to 16 ft long, \$15; do, 10 and 20 ft long, \$16. Fifty cents per Madvance on each foot over the above length up to 24 feet long. One dollar per M-advance on each foot over 24 feet long. \$1 per M advance on each inch over 12 inches surface. Surfacing, 50c per M; Surfacing and siding, \$1.00 per M. Boards-1st, common, rough, \$15.50, dressed, \$16.50; 2nd common rough \$14, dressed, \$15; Culls, rough, \$10, dressed, \$11; 1st common, stock, 12 in, rough, \$18, dressed, \$19; do, 8x10 in, rough, \$17, dressed, \$18; 2nd common, 12 in, rough, \$16, dressed, \$17; do, \$x10 inch, rough, \$15, dressed, \$16. Ten feet long and under, \$1 less per M. Shiplap-10 inch, \$17; 8 inch, \$16.50. Siding, ceiling and flooring-lst, 6 inch, \$31; 2nd, do, \$26; 3rd, do, \$20; 4th, do, \$17; 1st, 5 inch. \$31; 2nd, do, \$26; 3rd d6, \$19; 4th do, \$16; 1st, 4 inch, \$31; 2nd do, \$26. 3rd do, \$18; 4th do, \$15; 8 and 10 inch floc ing, at \$1 per M advance. \$1 per M advance for dressing on both sides. \$1 per M less for lengths 10 feet and under. Bevel Siding -No. 1, 1st siding 1 in x 6 in, \$20; No. 2, do, \$17. Stock-B, \$35; C, \$30; D, \$25. Clear, 1 inch-1st and 2nd, \$32; 3rd, \$28. 13, 13, and 2 inch-1st and 2nd, \$40; 3rd, \$35; selects, \$30; shop, \$25.. Mouldings -Window Stops, per 100 feet lineal, 75 cts; Parting Strips, do, 50 cts; 1 round and cove, per 100 feet lineal, 60 cts. Casing--4 inch, O G., per 100 feet lineal, \$1.50 : 5 in, do, \$1.75 ; 6 in, do, \$2; S inch, O. G., base, \$3; 10 in, do, Lath, \$1.75. Shingles 1st quality, \$3; 2nd do, \$2.50; 3rd do, \$1.50; 4th do. \$1. Dealers are requested to order by number.

#### PAINTS, OHS AND COLORS.

The only change to note in this branch is a decline of from 2 to 3c in linseed oil. Prices are as follows: Turpentine, S0c in five-gallon cans, or 75c in barrels; harness oil \$1.00; neatsfoot oil, \$1.25; linseed oil, raw, 68c per gallon; boiled, 70c in barrels or 5c advance in five-gallon lots; scal oil, steam refined, \$1; castor, 124c per lb.; lard, No. 1, \$1.25 per gal. olive, oil, pure, \$1.50; union salad, \$1.25; machine oils, black 25 to 40c; oleine, 40c; fine qualities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, silver star, 26c; water white, 29c. American oils, Eocene, 34e; water white, 31c; sunlight, 28c. Calcined plaster, \$1.25 per barrel; Portland cement, \$5 to \$5.50; white lead, genuine, \$7.00; No. 1 \$6.50; No. 2 \$6:00; window glass, first break, \$2.25. Alabastine, \$8 per case of 20 pkgs.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Prices are: Canadian rye whiskey, five year

old, \$2.40; seven year old, \$3; old rye, \$1.75; Jules Robin brandy, \$4.50; Bisquet Debouche & Co., 4.50; Martell, vintage 1885, \$6.50, vintage, 1880, \$7.50; Hennesy, \$6.50 to \$7.50 for vintage 1895 to 1880; DeKuyper gin, \$3,50; Port wine, \$2,50 and upwards; Sherry \$2.50 and upwards; Jamaica rum, \$4.00 to \$4.50: DeKuyper red gin, \$11.50 per case; DeKuyper green gin, \$6.50 per case; Tom Gin, \$9.00 to \$10.00; Martel and Hennesy's brandy, one star, \$14 per case of 12 bottles; v. o., \$19; v. s. o. p., \$22.

Woel has commenced to move, some lots having been received, but not in good shape, burs, etc., which of course detract from the price. From 7 to 8c is being offered for fleece, unwashed, and 12 to 15c for washed, as to quality. Western range sheep, Merinos, quoted at 11 to 14c. In the United States price have been demoralized, on account of the Mills Tariff Bill, placing wool on the free list. Prices are from 4 to 5c lower than in June last year. Considerable foreign wool is still held in bond at Atlantic ports. At Toronto offerings of the new clip are small and 18 to 19c continues to be the ruling price.

### THE MARKETS.

#### WINNIPEG.

#### WHEAT.

The crop situation has been the feature of interest for the past week. The weather could not have been more favorable, and consequently the growing crops have pulled up wonderfully. Notwithstanding the late season, the outlook is now fully as favorable as it usually can be at this time of year. Quite a little wheat is being delivered by farmers in provincial markets, the quantity held in first hands appearing to be larger in some districts than was expected. Prices were weaker, but without much change, from 68 to 72c being the range paid farmers, in the different markets.

#### PLOUR.

Prices were weaker, and though the outside figures were retained, yet there was a dispositin to shade quotations. Prices to the local trade may be given at the following range: Patents, \$2.30 . \$2.35; strong bakers, \$2.10 Patents, \$2.30 . \$2.35; strong bakers, \$2.10 to \$2.15; XXX. \$1.60; superfine, \$1.40.

#### MILLSTUFFS.

Bran quoted at \$9 per ton and shorts \$12 per ton.

About 33c seemed to be the usual price, on track, though largely nominal. He is some-times quoted, though an outside figure.

#### OATMEAL

Prices still hold at old quotations as follows: Standard, \$2.45; granulated, \$2.60; rolled oats, \$3.00.

#### EGGS.

There has been considerable irregularity in the price of eggs, quotations ranging from 13 to 15c. In single case lots 15c was the usual figure quoted by some dealers. Receipts have been light this season, and at the close of the week prices were firm at 15c, as the hot weather is liable to interfere with receipts.

Receipts of butter have not been large, but prices nevertheless continue to sag, owing to the very light movement. There has been no outside business of any consequence yet, though

some small lots have been moving westward. Owing to the backward season, most of the butter received so far has been of poor quality and white in color. An improvement in the quality is now expected. Precise range from 15 to 17c, the latter now being the top price for last our supplifies of store. best qualities of store.

#### CHEESE.

New Manitoba is now being offered. Some jobbed as high as 15c in small lots, but 13c is now about the figure obtained.

#### LARD.

Quotations ranged all the way from \$2.35 to \$2.57 for 20 lb. pails, Eastern, Chicago and home cured being in the market. Chicago brought the top price. About \$2.40 seemed to be the average price.

#### CURED MEATS.

Some packing is going on, and home cured is in the market to some extent. There is also a good deal of Chicago and Eastern stuff in the market. Prices are: Long clear, 11½ to 11½; breakfast bacon, 14½ to 15½c; rolls, 13½ to 14c; hams, 15 to 16c; Armours star hams, 18c.

#### MEATS.

Beef is firm at 67 to Sc; mutton 12 to 13c; hogs, firm, 8 to 81c.

#### VEGETABLES.

Potatoes are dull at 20 to 25c, and only mov ing in loads on the market. No shipping. Other prices are: Onions scarce, at 7ca pound; cabbage, old, \$2 per dozen; carrots 50c a bushel; turnips, 25c a bushels.

#### LIVE STOCK.

Cattle are very firm, owing to a scarcity of good butchers' stock. Buyers are trying to good butchers' stock. Buyers are trying to gurchase at 4½ here, but this price has been paid in the country, and it is said some cattle have brought as high as 5c here. The latter price could probably have been obtained for a limited number of choice cattle, last week. The firmness is not expected to continue long, as the feed is now good. Hogs were firm at about 6c delivered here, with a possibility of the figure being slightly oxceeded.

A MEETING of the board of grain examiners of the Winnipeg board of trade was held on Friday, to consider the draft of the proposed changes in the wheat grades. It was the unanimous opinion that the proposed changes were in every respect desirable, and in the interest of the farmers of Manitoba, whilst at the same time perfectly just to the grain trade of Eastern Canada. The West is a unit as to the desirability of establishing new wheat grades, as proposed, and the Government will he advised to proclaim new grades as set forth in the draft submitted.

BRANDON Sun: Several grain buyers who had closed their elevators, as they thought, for the season, have been compelled to re-open them, on account of the large quantity of wheat being brought into market.

PRICES at Brandon last week, according to the Times, were: - Wheat, 65 to 72c; oats, m good demand at 30 to 32c; cattle, 34 to ic; hogs, 43 to 5c; eggs, 12c; butter, 15c per 16; potatoes, 15c per bushel.

Ir is reported from Ottawa on good authority that the Cochrane Ranch Company will secure the beef contract for the Northwest Indian

- E. FITZ BUCKE, of Brandon, has been appointed travelling agent of the Standard Life Assurance Company for western Manitoba.
- A. MALLOY has purchased the Farmers Home Hotel at Brandon.

ABOUT 2,000,000 feet of logs are coming down the Red River from Minnesota, for Winnipeg.

P. L. MITCHELL and J. H. Hughes, lumber dealers, Brandon, Man., have amalgamated their business.

THE steamers are now running on Lake Winnipeg between Selkirk and Norway House and Grand Rapids.

JOHN GRAHAM has been admitted into the law firm of Biggs & Dawson, of Winnipeg, which in future will be styled Biggs, Dawson & Graham.

THE steel rails for the Red River Valley railray has arrived at Pembina, via the lakes and Duluth. Tracklaying commenced on Saturday.

It is officially announced that Hon. John Schultz has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba. The appointment is to take effect July 1.

A FIRE originated in the manufacturing room of Dawson, Bole & Co's drug house at Regina, on Thursday, and an explosion which followed injured two assistants. The fire was put out without serious damage to the stock.

A N. B. lobster-packing firm last year packed some cases of herrings and sent them to Baltimore. They sold so well that the firm has gone largely into the business. Canned herring will soon probably be a staple article.

#### The Trade Review.

R. J. Dunn & Co.'s review of trade for the week. The moderate improvement in trade

noticed a week ago does not yet seem to be more than the slight reaction which occasionally breaks a period of uncertainty and complacent inactivity. The signs of a lasting improvement in trade do not yet appear. Uncertainty still prevails, and buyers are conservative, confirming their transactions to immediate wants in most branches of business. Crop prospects have not changed for the worse, but the extent of loss in winter wheat is more definitely realized, while the prospect as to spring wheat and other crops is necessarily vague. With favorable weather the general results would probably be fair, and in some quarters a decidedly hopeful feeling begins to prevail. Want of confidence in the near future is the prevailing tone in all the markets. This cannot be attributed to financial influences, for money is over abundant and quoted at 1 per cent., notwithstanding the renewal of gold exports. The volume of trade of interior cities is very good at Omaha and Minneapolis, but generally below that of last year. The exports of principal products in May, were larger in volume by 15 per cent. than in the same month of 1887, but because of the heavy cotton shipments. The exports from New York for the past two weeks show a decrease of 15 per cent., with only a slight decrease in imports. The business failures occurring throghout the country during the last seven days number for the United States 209 and for Canada 23, a total of 232, as compared with 235 last week and 205 the week previous to the last. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 213, made up of 193 in the United States and 20 in Canada.

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A man who had been for some time working in Winnipeg, decided to ge farming, and in the spring of 1887 bought a farm in St. Agathe, about 20 miles from Winnipeg, paying \$1,200 for 320 acres. There was a fine crop and he sold last autumn 1,000 bushels of wheat at 55 cents, and 3,600 bushels more at 40 cents a bushels, and 200 bushels of oats at 25 cents. He did all the work himself with one pair of horses, and was so encouraged that he at once got married—having paid for farm and implements and all else out of the first crop.

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### BASTERN MARKETS.

#### CHICAGO

The visible supply statement on Monday showed a decrease in wheat of but 670,000 bushels. July wheat opened at 85%c, and ranged from 84ge to 86ge. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Aug,	Sept.
Wheat	843	841	841	833
Corn	51	519	621	523
Oats	521	32	261	271
Pork	13.8:1	13.90	14.00	14.10
Lard	8.521	8.573	8.621	9.074
Short Ribs	7.57	7.60	7.70	7.75

Wheat was very weak at the opening on Tuesday, owing to free selling and a cable advising a drop of 4d at Liverpool. Prices were firmer later in the day. July wheat opened at 84gc, and ranged from 83gc to 844c. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Wheat	841	843	844	841
Corn	521	53	53}	537
Oats	221	223	233	273
Pork	13.75	13.85	14,95	14.05
Lard	8.523	8.574	8.62}	8.071
Short Ribs	7.571	7.60	7.674	7.75

Wheat was nervous on Wednesday, and fluctuated freely, July ranging from 837 to 843c. December wheat closed at 864c. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Aug.	Scpt.
Wheat	83}	843	841	811
Corn	623	531	533	541
Oats	32]	30	231	271
Pork	13,70	13.773	13.87	13.974
Lard	8.60	8.55	8.00	8.65
Short Ribs	7.521	7.55	7.624	7.70

July wheat ranged from \$37 to \$48c on Thursday. December wheat closed at 857c. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Wheat	83}	837	84	837
Corn	521	53	53}	53}
Oats	33	33}	23].	271
Pork	13.671	13.75	13.85	13.95
Lard	8.473	8.55	8.60	8.05
Short Ribs	7.52}	7.55	$7.62\frac{1}{2}$	7.70

The markets all around were dull and drooping on Friday. July wheat opened at 835c. which was the highest point of the day. The lowest figure for July was SIJc. Closing prices

	Junc.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Wheat	ខរទ្ធ	821	857	823
Corn	511	512	52}	527
Oats	321	<b>S3</b> }	279	263
Iork	13.40	13.65	13,75	13.85
Lard	8.45	8.50	8.57	8.65
Short Ribs	7.50	7.50	7.574	7.65

On Saturday, prices continued in their downward course. December wheat opened at 843c, and closed at \$47c. Other closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Wheat	31	81}	82	821
Corn	50	503	51	513
Oats	253	321	271	26
Pork	13.623	14.72}	13.773	13.871
Lard	8.40	8.50	S.55	8.00

#### MINNEAPOLIS.

Closing quotations on Thursday for wheat were:

	Cash.	July.	On track
no I hard.	83	221	84 -
No I northern	817	82	821 -
N 2 11	79	70]	79 -80
closing quotations for	r flour	were as	follows:

to local dealers, \$4.70;

Patents, sacks

Patents to ship, sacks, car lots, \$4.30 to \$4.50 in barrels, \$4.70 to \$4.90; bakers, here, \$3.75 to \$3.90; superline, \$2 00 to \$3.00; red dog, sack, \$1.50 to \$1.60; red dog, barrel, \$1.65 to

The Northwestern Miller says: The foreign markets will take the bakers' at about 22s 6d, and with very low freights, sales that way are quite large.

#### DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

Closing prices for No. 1 hard on each day of the week were:

U	8571.	July.	Aug.
Monday		941	843
Tuesday	831	833	842
Wodnesday	84	841	849
Thursday	_	833	841
Friday		821	823

Closing prices on Saturday were: June, 814; July, 821.

The markets were weaker, on account of improving crop prospects, and a sort of midsummer dulness prevailed.

#### JANADIAN SECURITIES IN ENGLAND.

The Canadian Gazette of June 1st, gives the following quotations of leading Candian securities in the London market:

Price	e. Rise.	Fall.
Canada 4 per cents., 1885; 113	-	-
Ditto 31 per cents 105	<u> </u>	_
Ditto 4 per cents,, 1885	_	- 1
British Columbia 41 per cents 115		-
do 6 per cents 1877	_	_
Manitoba 5 per cents 111	_	
Quebec 5 per cents., 1853	-	-
Winnipeg 5 per cents 110	. –	
•Canadian Pacific shares (N. Y. register) 59		- 9
Ditto shares (London register) 59		8
Ditto mortgage bonds 108		
Grand Trunk ordinary stock 10		흕
Ditto first preference		•
Bank of B. C. fully-paid shares 34	_	ا ا ا ا ا مس
Oitto £15 paid	_	_
Bank of B. N. A 74	_	_
Manitoba Mortgage		_
Trust and Loan of Canada, £5 paid	-	
Canada North-West Land 2		
Hudson's Eay	-	23
Varcouver Coal, £9 pald	_	-
Manitoba Northwestern bonds	_	_
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#### Montreal Grain Market.

On Tuesday flour was steady and in good demand. Manitoba strong bakers', \$4.50 to \$4.70. Grain business quiet. A bid of 96c was made for 10,000 bushels of No, 1 northern, which was refused. Quotations: Canada red winter wheat, 96 to 974c; Canada white, 96 to 974c; No. 1 hard Manitoba, \$1 to \$1.02; No. 2 ditto, 98c; No. 1 northern, 95 to 96c. Peas, 85 to S6c. Oats, 49 to 50c. Barley, 55 to 60c. These quotations held for the balance of the week.

#### Toronto Markets.

Manitoba wheat was at times above buyers' view. Sellers asking \$1.02 for No. 1 hard. Manitoba patent flour, \$5 to \$5.25; patent winter and spring, \$3.10 to \$4.70. Wheat, No. 2 fall, 961 to 97c; No. 3 fall, 91 to 93c; No. 2 spring, 84 to 85c; No. 3 fall, 91 to 93c; No. 2 spring, 84 to 85c; No. 1 and 2 red winter, 96 to 97c; Manitoba No. 1 hard, 99 to 100; No. 2 hard, 95 to 96c; Manitoba No. 1 northern, 94c; No. 2 northern, 92 to 93c; Peas, No.1, 74 to 75c; barley, No. 1, 65c; No.2, 60c; No. 3, extra, 55c. Provisions-The market continues strong. Bacon is firm at the advance; some holders are disposing of heavy long clear at 10c and light at 101c.

Hides were in better demand. Dealers paying ble for green.

Dried apples sold at 7 to 71c and evaporated at 81 to 91c.

Receipts of butter were heavy. In consequence the market was weaker. rolls sold at from 13 to 15c, and choice tubs at 15c. Creamery slow; dealers are looking for lower prices; sales made at 18 to 22c.

Cheese jobbing at 94 to 10c, for new. Offers are being received from the factories at 84c. At the London cheese fair on Saturday, thirty factories registered 3,700 boxes, 350 being June make and the balance May. The May's were all sold, including 1,452 boxes at 84c, 450 at 83c, 1,148 at 84c and 210 at 83c. The market was ic higher than last week. A year ago prices were 9 to 91c.

In many places in Manitoba, threshing is now going on.

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The Victoria Transfer Co. has opened a branch at Vancouver.

There is talk of a new morning paper being established at Westminster.

Humphries, a Victoria Alderman, has opened a cigar stand at the place named.

Robert Sanderson is building Hume & Cowan's new steamer, at Revelstoke.

The Bank of B. C. is considering the the advisability of opening a branch at Seattle, W.T.

S. McHuges, of Victoria, has opened a confectionery store and manufactory at Vancouver.

A car load of self binders was received lately at New Westminster. This is evidence that the district is progressing.

A by-law to raise funds for public improvements, will be considered at Victoria. The amount will probably be \$75,000.

E. V. Bodwell has sold 33 feet on Cordova street, between Carroll and Abbott streets, Vancouver, for \$6,800; 50 feet on Hastings street, between Hamilton and Homer streets, for \$9,000.

Victoria Colonist: Three loads of seal skins valued at \$30,000, go forward to New York today via the Olympian and Northern Pacific. This makes nine carloads which have so far this season been shipped cast by the same route. Considerable freight is at present being handled by the American lines to and from this city.

A London cable says: Lord Sudley called attention in the Lords to night to the superior advantage of Burrard Inlet over Esquimault as a naval station on the Pacific. Lord Elphenstone said the authorities divided in opinion, but after full consideration the Government thought it unwise to transfer the naval station from Esquimault to Burrard Inlet, which in time of war would become a mere rat trap for our ships. The Government were prepared to spend £31,000 on armaments at Esquimault, £10,000 on submarine store, £10,000 on submarine buildings. The real question of the present for the Imperial Government and Canada was one of garrison.

The Coquitlam Water Works Co. have withdrawn their offer to the Westminster council. and submitted the following offer instead: "That the company will construct and main tain in a state of first-class efficiency a system of water works for the supply of this city, direct from Coquitlam Lake, and will allow the city the free use of the same, for purposes of fire protection and sewer flushing, on condition of an annual payment of \$5,000 to the company. This agreement to hold good for three years, at the expiration of which time the city to have the right of purchase of the said works on payment to the company of their outlay upon the same, with 10 per cent. added thereto, together with such additional sum as will, with the receipts from the works bring up the net annual profits to investors therein to 10 per cent." The matter was referred to a committee.

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The Namimo Gas Co. has declared a dividend of 7 per cent.

The output of the several collieries of the Vancouver Coal Company has aggregated 1,000 tons per day lately.

The stock of W. S. McCartney, drugs, Kamloops, has been sold by the sheriff.

H. Kells, dealer in boots and shoes, Westminster, has sold out to A. B. Wintemute, and will go farming.

A motion to raise the commercial travelers tax at Victoria, from \$10 to \$50, was laid over at a late meeting of the city council.

The Illecillewaet Silver Mining Co. has decided to run a tunnel into one of its claims to strike the lead about 100 feet below the surface.

### The Calgary Country.

A prominent commercial traveller speaking of the business outlook for Calgary, said, "I have more hope of Calgary's prosperity this trip than ever I have had before," and when interrogated on the subject, said: "It is the first time during my trips to Calgary that I have seen something produced that will add to the wealth of the country." He referred to the quantity and quality of Alberta butter which he saw. He said he had written to his firm to say that although th y might not expect to take any more money out of Calgary for butter, they might expect to receive large orders for butter tubs at an early date. The color and quality of Alberta butter, he remarked, will find a market almost anywhere it may be offered and he recommended merchants to begin and pack for shipment, mentioning all the mountain and British Columbia towns that would shortly look to Calgary for their supply, and the money that would naturally flow into the hands of the farmers for this commodity alone would be a considerable sum. He spoke highly of the cheese factory which had been established in the neighborhood and predicted that only a few years would elapse before Calgary butter and cheese would be finding its way in carloads both east and west and supply English and Japan trade. But butter and dairy products are not the only products that the farmers of Alberta must supply the local markets with to control the trade that rightly belongs to them. The same gentleman remarked that he sold \$1,200 worth of eggs in Calgary one day last fall besides their numerous other shipments made during the year. They have also sold several thousand dollars' worth of condensed milk in Calgary each year, and when these amounts are added to the sums paid out each year for potatoes, oats, and bacon, the result is truly enormous. Everyone will agree with us that all of these articles can be produced in sufficient quantities to supply not only the local demand but for shipment both east and west, and if the amount of money sent out of the country for these articles and for railway freights were distributed among our own people, the country would make rapid strides. Let our farmers only produce these necessaries, which we believe they can do, with more profit than in any other part of the Dominion, and they will find themselves farther ahead at the end of ten years than the first settlers of Ontario did

in twenty-five. We have it on good authority that only a short time will chapse before a tannery and a woollen mill will be established here, and as these will employ a number of hands that must be supported, the demand will increase, other industries too will likely spring up and the success of both town and country is assured if the people only prove true to their own interests.—Calgary Tribune.

#### Northern Alberta.

The Bulletin is indebted to J. B. Tyrrell, of the Geological Survey of Canada for a copy of the report on his work in Northern Alberta during the season of 1886, which arrived by last mail. One of the illustrations gives a view of the Big Coal Seam 25 feet thick, on the North Saskatchewan, 45 miles above Edmonton. In describing the partially wooded nature of the greater part of Northern Alberta, Mr. Tyrrell says :- "With the exception of the small forest areas mentioned above, the rest of the region consists of half wooded country, with groves of poplar and willow, separated by open glades and grassy stretches of greater or less extent. This part is thus attractive both to the traveller in search of natural beatuies and to the wouldbe settler looking for a place where to make for himself a comfortable home in the shortest possible time." A very interesting part of the report is a short account of former explorations dating from the year 1750. The amount of valuable information given in the report is so great and so much in particular that adequate mention throughout is impossible, but the following paragraph of special interest is given in full :- "It has long been known that this is the highest point on the, river where gold can be washed out of the gravel and sand bars in paying quantities, and prospectors on that account have been led to examine the banks in this vicinity very closely. In sections 35 and 36. township 50, range 4 west of the fifth principal meridian, the coal seam has been burnt out over a considerable area, and the ground is now scattered over in many places with large masses of a slag-like rock, and where these have not been covered with alluvial deposits, beds of ashes and burnt clay and sandstone skirt the edge of the bank of undisturbed coal-bearing strata. A number of specimens of this burnt material were collected and have been assayed in the laboratory with the following interesting results: Two masses of slag-like rock lying at the foot of the slope in which the coal seam is exposed, taken frem places one mile apart, showed a trace of gold. Arenaccous clay-shale underlying coal seam, showed trace of gold. Ashes from burnt coal seam, showed trace of gold. A trace of gold was also found in the parting of clay-shale in the coal seam where it had been unaffected by fire. A sample of the over-lying boulder clay was also assayed, but no gold was detected in it." In figuring out the amount of coal in the 25-foot seam west of Edmonton the conclusion is reached that in an area of two miles by three is contained 150,000,area of two miles by three is contained 150,000,000 tons. On the Red Deer at a point over 100
miles distant the same seem is again exposed
with a thickness of ten feet, containing 12,530,000 tons to the square mile. At knee Hillcreek, 80 miles further south, it is again exposed, and contains 5,000,000 tons to the square
mile. Mention is made of limestone on the
spales of the North Scalestaleaum in terminal. banks of the North Saskatchewan in township 47, range 9, west of 5th principal meridian.-

### Sugar for Naething.

Last Saturday, Betty and me were oot getting oor provisions, and in gaing alang a street in the Sooth-side, Betty grippit me by the arm, and, pointing tae a shop window, says: "Guid keep us, Jeems! d'ye see that? Sugar for naething!" "Eh! what's that ?" I says, getting oot my spees. "That's extraornar; trade must be dull atweel when they've tae gie awa' the goods for naething. My certy, it's a new gemm this. Puir bodies! hoo can they afford a' that gas and a big rent? Betty," I cries, "ye ken I've never ganged tae pay a fair price for onything I buy; but when folk offer ye a thing for naething, I wid be stunnin' my ain licht if I didna tak' it. Gie me the basket, and I'll go in and get eight pun', and, after I come oot, ye can slip in and get unither eight pun'; it'll no look sae greedy like. Jist wait a wee," And in I goes.. "I'll tak' eight pun, o' that sugar!" I says. "Certainly, sir" And in a jiffy I got the sugar in a paper poke, and, putting it in the basket, I shut doon the lid, and says, "I'm sure I'm vera much obleeged tae ye tae be sae kind tae me-me a perfect stranger. I really canna fin' words tac express my thanks. Sugar's no vera dear, but it's aye something; it mann be a sair loss tae you. Hooever, I must jist thank ye," and, wi' that I made tae come oot.

"Hey," cries the lad at the back o' the coonter, "ye've forgot tea! there's two pun o' tea goes alang wi' that!"

"Lod save us, tea!—tea, did ye say? Betty," I cries, "it's no only sugar they're are gieing awa', but tea. Great criftens, this bates all! Tea! Certainly I'll tak' the tea," and I held up the lid o' the basket, and he popped in a package o' tea, a'ready made up. I thocht it wis vera fortunate I had seen the shop before the unemployed got word o' it, or they wid hae haen it a' rockit oot afore I got near't.

"Is there naethin' else -coffee, or onything," I says.

"No!" he says, "it's jist the tea and sugar go the gither."

"Weel, I'm share we ocht tae be thankfu' for that same; altho', if there wis a bit pun o' coffee I widna object. Weel, guid day tae ye! guid day!" and I cam' oot. Lod, he jumpit ower the coonter, and grippit me at the door, and shook me, and says, "The money, sir!"

"Money!" says I, perfectly dumfoundered, "ye ne'er said there wis ony money; but it's no ower late yet! Hoo' much dae ye gie? Ye're a perfect angel in that bad times. I hope the money's no spurious."

"Ye're tae gie me the money," he says. "Me!" I says; "money for what?" "For the tea," he says. "Did ye no' say it went alang wi' the sugar?" "Certainly." "And didna ye say ye gied the sugar for naethin'?" "Yes." "And what's the money for, then?" "For the tea," he says, getting angry. "Noo, look here," I says, pulling him intae a close oot o' the crood, "let us understaun' each ither. Noo, jist listen! Betty, haud the basket a wee! Tae. begin at the beginning, did ye no say ye gied sugar for naethin'?" "We do." "Weel, so faur, so good; ye gied me my sugar for naethin', and, when I wis coming oot, ye cried after me that ye gied tea alang wi' the sugar."

"But ye're tae pay for the tea."

"I'ut, tut! will I hae tae begin again? Noo, look here, and pay attention! We'll tak' it backwards this time. Are ye listening? Didna ye ca' me back when I wis gaun oot weel enough pleased wi' the sugar, and no askin for tea—didna ye cry me back and said ye gied tea alang wi' the sugar?" "I did."

"Weel, and hadna ye gion me the sugar for naething?"

"Wrel, and what has ye tae say for yoursel', eh? It's no the worth o't, min' ye; but I am no man tae be made a fule o'; hooever, there's my card—ye can summon me, but I'm thinking ye'll get the warst o't. No, no! I wisna born yesterday. I thocht there wis some juckrypockry aboot it. Come awa', Betty, here's oor caur;" and the crood "hoorahed," and the policeman threatened tae tak him up for obstructin' the pavement, and we cam' awa'.—
Glasgoe Gailic.

### Dairy Products.

The scarcity of grain for export, due to the short crep in Ontario last year, has caused increased attention to be paid in that province to dairy products. Indications accordingly seem to point to a largely increased production, and on every side we see a determination to make dairy products fill up as far as possible the deficiency caused by the failure of the crops.

Now that the cheese buyers are returning to this country from Great Britain, we can learn how disastrous the past season has been to the English cheese houses. Many of these houses bought at the top price for cheese last fall, when the efforts of speculators had enabled the farmers to boom up the value of Canadian fall cheese to an unprofitable height, and consequently were only able to dispose of it at a considerable loss. Naturally these houses will be careful not to fall into such an error again, and as New Zealand cheese will arrive just at the period when Canadian fall cheese realizes its best market. we may fairly expect that its presence will be used as a lever whereby prices can be kept down at reasonable limits. In fact it is to New Zealand dairy products and the increasing use of margarine that the British public look now for cheap butter and cheese, and therefore it behooves us to take both of them into our careful consideration.?

Now that the refrigeratoring chambers have become a recognized institution upon occangoing steamers' 't is no longer an impossibility to place butter and cheese in good condition in London after a long sea voyage through a tropical climate. New Zealand cheese is packed in boxes of 40 to 50 lbs. each, and these in turn packed in crates. The butter is carefully wrapped in linen and deposited in well-made firkins, hooped with iron, and containing about 100 lbs. each. Both of these products are of very fair quality and sell far cheaper than Canadian, but we are informed that, in the case of butter at all events, they require to be used quickly when opened, as after their long detention on board ship they deteriorate very rapidly on exposure to the air.

The outlook in England is not over bright. Stocks of cheese, it is true are comparatively light, but the Scotch market is represented as crowded with homemade cheese and there is every prospect of a large make of Cheshire. With this to meet the English demand and the certainty of increasing supplies from the Antipodes, it does not look as if very high prices could be reasonably looked for, but we must remember that there is every prospect that ocean freights will rule unusually low. Inland freight rates, thanks to growing competition, are more likely to recede than to advance and consequently cheese handlers can afford to accept profitably a lower rate than was the case in former years when both these factors were considerably higher.

For butter we cannot safely say the outlook is encouraging. The poor and uncertain quality of much Canadian butter has caused it to be regarded with disfavor, and it is evident that only the finest quality of creamery butter will be readily saleable in England. Margarine and New Zealand butter have effectually killed the chances of average farm or store-packed butter, and the days when the English house wife would purchase a keg of butter of as many different colors as Joseph's coat, and with a distinct flavor to every couple of pounds, are long since gone by. Margarine has killed the sale of cheap stale butter, and the sooner the Canadian farmer recognizes this tact, the better it will be for his interests. If Canadian butter is to be a profitable investment for export it must be of the very best quality. Nothing else is saleable except at a sacrifice, and therefore the Canadian dairyman must make up his mind to excel his competitors or else drop quietly out of the business, -Journal of Commerce.

### United States Government Crop Report.

There was some reduction in seeding the winter wheat in some states, though the average breadth of all was but slightly reduced. In the east and south there was no material loss of area from feezing, but in several western states it was considerable. The apparent reduction of breadth of winter wheat as compared with that of last year is about 1,750,000 acres. The percentage of reduction for the entire winter wheat region is placed as 7.2 per cent. It is 18 in Illinois, 14 in Ohio, 10 in Michigan, and 9 in Indiana. This is in comparison with the reduced area harvested last year. There has been an increase of area of spring wheat in Dakota and in the territories further west, but a decrease in Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota, making an average decrease for the spring wheat region of one per cent. The area in spring wheat is apparently slightly below 36,000,000 acres. Some improvement in New York and Pennsylvania, and marked decline in Missouri and minor changes of States elsewhere, making the average 73.3, against 73 in May. The loss by over-flow of the Mississippi in Illinois off-sets the part improvement of other counties. In Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kansas the average condition is nearly the same as in May. The acreage of barley is nearly the same as last year, New York and Wisconsin are credited with an increase of 1 per cent, Minnesota 2, Dakota 10, Iowa, Missouri and California report a small reduction. Condition of barley averages \$8.8.

The detailed report of the Department of Agriculture makes the total acreage of winter wheat 22,507,172 acres, and the estimated yield

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### Victoria's Future.

Last week in writing on this subject, we stated that it is the people who make the city. not the city the people, and we now ask what hopes may be drawn with regard to our future from the character of our population. The new cities around us have sprung into existence with the rapidity of Jonah's gourd, and for this reason their population is much more homogencous than ours. The citizens of Vancouver, for instance, are all newcomers, and every man, woman and child in the place has a personal interest in the city's progress. They have invested all their money in it, if they had any to invest, and are bound to make money out of it if they had none to begin with. On the other hand we have two classes of people among us, those who consider Victoria belongs to them because of their long residence here, and those who belong to Victoria because the place has attracted them from its business prospects, its climate, or its beauty. Now, the first class referred to are for the most part comfortably situated as far as money is concerned, and are quite content that Victoria should continue "as it was in the beginning," who have no need to worry themselves about its growth or prosperity and who look only at the cost of modern improvemements which may be proposed. A few years ago they even resented somewhat any increase of the population, especially from the East, but they seem now to have wakened up to the discovery that wisdom comes from the cast, though it seldom remains there. This portion of our people, however, form a splendid foundation for our future progress, occause they are well-to-do, conservative and cautious. No new-fashioned boom, such as has brought ruin to thousands in the new centres can effect this city much as long as we have this solid and substantial phlanax to resist its approach. But this class are already in the minority and their value to us is greatly enhanced on that account. The new element is pouring in upon us in an ever-increasing stream and the old inhabitants are being thinned out by increasing years. The good, however, they have accomplished will live after them and prove of great importance in the onward march of our city. With regard to the

since Confederation, and who have cast in their lot with us for better or for worse, we need only say that they will compare to advantage with those who within the last few years have settled in other places on, this coast. Many of our most enterprising merchants, professional men, ministers, doctors, teachers, mechanics, etc., are comparatively new comers, and we have every reason to congratulate ourselves in having attracted to our city such a band of fellow citizens. This class, as a matter of course, increases every year and their growth is a sure augury of the future prosperity of Victoria. What we need now is simply the complet welding of these two elements and that welding process is going on every day. Why should we not stand shoulder to shoulder in seeking the growth of Victoria, and why should we not only warmly welcome new comers but take every means in our power to induce those who have money or, what is of more value, brains to cast in their lot among us? We heard the other day of a gentleman who was looking for a sphere of usefulness in this city and who was seized upon by a Vancouver man who promised to find him employment at once if he would go over to that city with his family. We, as a rule have allowed new comers to shift for themselves, or have actually discouraged their remaining among us, whereas in Vancouver every citizen they can add to the population is considered of importance and is treated with the utmost respect and consideration. On the whole, we believe no more intelligent, cultured, sensible people are to be found in the Dominion than in Victoria, and if they will but work together for its growth aud advancement no city on the Pacific coast will outstrip it in the race. We are always glad to notice any display of public spirit on the part of our Board of Trade or Board of Alderman. believe the Board of Trade to be a most important body. Much of the recent prosperity of eastern cities in Canada has been owing to the vigor of these boards of business men, who have the city's interest at heart, and we venture to hope that our Board here will grow into a more powerful lever in helping forward our city. Let them speak out and public opinion will soon ripen into public action, -Colonist,

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## Business East.

Win. Lodson, butcher, London, has retired. Geo. Fraser, pictures, Arnprior, has assigned. R. E. Trebileock, tailor, London, is about to assign.

Watt Bros., furniture, Meaford, have assigned.

Theo Quick, grocer, Leanington, has assigned.

Jno. Barnard, builder, Parkdale, has assigned.

Edwin Foster, merchant, Port Burwell, has assigned.

W. G. Bingham & Co., hardware, Burks Falls, have sold out.

Samuel Wilton & Son, grocers, Stratbroy, have assigned.

T. & A. B. Snider, millers, German Mills, have assigned.

Edwin D. Ockerman, general storckeeper, Milton, has assigned.

J. H. & D. M. Ross, general storekeepers, Annan, has assigned.

A. D. McDonald & Co., general storekeepers, Arkona, have sold out.

Barnes & Co., manufacturers of box shocks, Uttawa, factory burned.

Gosnell & Sutherland, general storckeepers, Highgate, have sold out.

Jos. Letang, general storekeeper, Brudenell, is offering to compromise.

tiuelph Carriage Top Co., Guelph, meeting of creditors called for 6th inst.

Pettypiece & Auld, printers, Forest, have dissolved—Pettypiece continues.

A. J Routh, jeweler, Ottawa, has assigned. Miss Leigh, fancy goods, Ingersell, is dead. Martin Bros., carriages, Toronto, were burn-

E. A. Taylor, books, London, bailiff in possession.

F. J. Brennan, grocer, Cornwall, has compromised.

Hasenflug & Beck, grocers, Waterloo, have dissolved.

J. J. Grace, sewing machines, Ar., prior, has compromised.

W. R. Vancourtland, hardware, Amprior, has compromised.

John Lindsay, general storekeepe.; White-lake, has assigned.

John McCormick, general storekeeper, Morewood, has assigned.

J. P. Pease, Furnace Co., (Ltd.), Tor uto, was damaged by fire.

Thos. Conway, general storekeeper, Essex Centre, has sold out and is away.

J. H. Hull, mills, Gravenhurst and Kilworthy, is selling out the Kilworthy mill.

W C. Young, manufacturer of shoes, Toronto, is offering to compromise at 15c in the S.

Jas. McCool & Co., general storekeepers, Mattawa, Ont., and Fort William, Que., have assigned.

#### QUEBEC.

O. W. Cote, grocer, Marbleton, has assigned. Edgar Codebecq, grocer, Valleyfield, has assigned.

The following were burned out at Hull: B. Carriere, grocer; Florimond, Desjardins, undertaker; E. Parent, pain 2; Nap. Simard; grocer.

Ruintal & Hogue, plumbers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Amyotte & Papuin, builders, Montreal, have dissolved.

J. Vanier & Freres, grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Nerce Desroches, dealer in dry goods, Quebec, has failed.

Abbott & Hodgson, manufacturers of mails, Montreal have dissolved.

Chesnut & Mann, druggists, Montreal—R. S. Chesnut is dead.

Helene Nugent, general storekeeper, Chicoutimi, has assigned.

Thos. Costen & Co., gunsmiths, Montreal—Geo. W. Costen is dead.

R. White & Co., Manufacturers of shoes, Montreal, have dissolved.

John Smardon & Co., soap manufacturers, Montreal, have dissolved.

D. Kutner, hats, Montreal, has ceased doing business under this style.

Wm. Little, lumber, Montreal, demand of assignment made on him.

James Gannon, grover, Montreal, demand of assignment made on him.

Jno. E. Elliott & Co., oil refiners, Montreal, Alfred G. Elliott only member has assigned.

McNeven & Cole, manufacturers of paper and lumber, Sault au Recollet—Daniel McNeven is dead.

E. A. Small & Co., wholesale clothing, Mont-real--Chas. H. Dobbin admitted partner under same style.

Henderson Manufacturing Co., confectioners, Montreal, Jas. M. Henderson has ceased doing business under this style.

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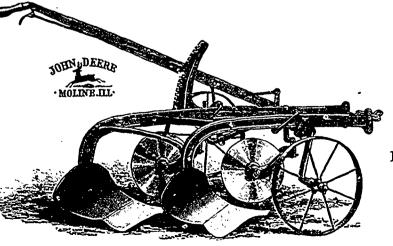
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### Canadian Live Stock Imports.

Canada stands high as an importer of British stock. From the Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom, it appears that in 1886, the Dominion imported 1,589 horses, of the value of £110,383, giving an average of £69 15s, 8d. per head. Many of the animals bought by Dominion breeders have cost as high as £600 and £700, but recently they have been secured at more reasonble prices. Included in the total given above there are, of course, a large number of yearlings, and the lower prices of these naturally pull down the average of the whole. The bulls, oxen, cows and calves, nearly 27 per cent. of the whole exports, are credited to Canadian breeders- a circumstance which points conspicuously to the strong efforts Canadian agriculturlists are still making to wards improving the type of stock in the Dominion. The total value of these purchases is £22,379, or in average per head of £37 ls., which gives Canada second place in regard to price among foreign purchasers.

The impression is, we fancy, pretty general that the major portion of the fine cattle exported from this side to Canada is virtually intended for United States breeders, but the fact that 25 per cent. of the pedigreed stock shipped from England in 1886, went direct to United States ports, in our opinion, dispels such an erroneous idea. The best animals have been secured for the Dominion.

Of sheep and lambs, 393 head were taken from many well known English and Scotch flocks at a cost of £1,948, or nearly £5 per head, not by any means a fancy price, but still, considering the fact that this average includes about 50 per cent. of lambs, a price large enough to buy the best. The aggregate amount paid by Canadian stockmen for imported animals of all classes reaches the handsome sum of £135,210, showing that, as a customer for the fine stock of Britain, Canada is the largest of all foreign buyers, her gross purchases representing over 25 per cent. of the whole transactions.

#### General Notes.

A machine for manufacturing cigars, which, it is claimed, will turn out between 3,000 and 5,000 per day, has been invented. The machine, if successful in every particular, will do as much work in one day as ten or twelve men.

It is stated that a plan has been prepared by. i our of the leading legal counsel of the country whereby bucket shop keepers can evade the provisions of the recent Act against them. It is asserted that under this plan, these places will re-open and do business once more.

Montreal Trade Bulletin: Oatmeal is about the most difficult article to quote just now, as there is a great deal of Manitoba meal coming in, which is selling at 174c to 20c per bag less than combine prices for ordinary, the sale of 100 bags being reported at \$2.45. Some buyers complain of the flavor of the Munitoba product, whilst others say it is as good as the comline meal, and suits their trade equally as viell. In barrels the combine price is \$5.45 for ordinary, and \$5.70 for granulated, but certain members of the trust, it is said, are doing a little cutting.



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