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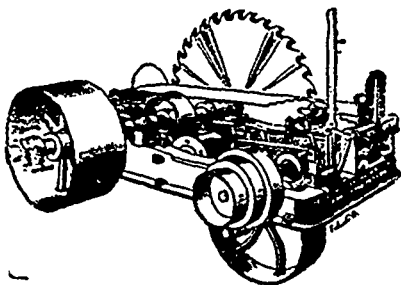
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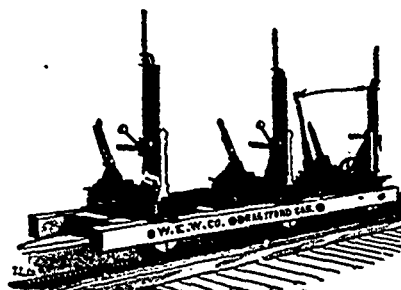
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## REVIVAL IN BUILDING.

Notwithstanding the prevailing high prices of lumber, hardware and other classes of building material the present promises to be an active building season in Winnipeg, and many of the country towns of Manitoba. Already in the city some of the large new buildings projected for this season's construction are under way and owing to the dry weather rapid headway is being made. Besides these a considerable number of more or less expensive dwelling houses are being constructed. Winnipeg needs a large number of new buildings of various kinds. The stores, dwellings, etc., built in the boom days are rapidly becoming unfit for use and will have to give place in the near future to a better and more enduring class of buildings, having all modern conveniences. Not only is this the case, but the city is growing so that it has now exceeded in population the capacity of its building to contain it, and it is a most difficult thing to find a vacant house or store. In consequence of this rents have gone up quite 20 per cent., and it has once more become possible to make good profits out of renting dwellings and stores. Much the same state of affairs exists in the country, where many of our country towns have outgrown their first generation of buildings and are experiencing quite a revival of the building business. People who have been living in the country for any length of time have gathered around themselves a considerable amount of property of one kind and another and are able to finance for new buildings to better advantage and in many cases to pay for them outright. There does not appear to be

the slightest danger of the mistakes of the early eighties, which led to so much boom building and consequent ruination, owing to the inability of people to carry their real estate holdings, being repeated in Manitoba as the present revival in building is based on a legitimate increase in population and will not any more than keep pace with the growth of the country.

## THE TRAVELLER AS A COLLECTOR.

One of the bugbears of the commercial traveller in the business of collecting, which he is sometimes required to undertake. Some travellers make good collectors, but the majority make very poor ones, and for what seem to them good reason. They do not care to jeopardize their chances of making new sales by a too earnest effort along the line of pressing for payment of some old account. The average retail dealer of any kind is a decidedly sensitive creature as a rule, and needs considerable petting to keep in good humor, and the traveller who is unfortunate enough to give him a bad quarter of an hour over an account is likely, when he next asks for an order, to get turned down. For this reason most travellers make poor collectors. Sometimes, however, it happens that a house will strike a genius who can both sell and collect with equal facility, but it is only rarely that this combination is obtained. Mostly when a man proves to be a good salesman he manages it by standing in with the customer, which means that collections are left in the background, and when one proves to be a good collector it is either because he determines to keep a clear slate and let the future take care of itself, because the merits of his goods are such that the retailer must have them, or because he is a genius in this particular calling.

## Winnipeg Board of Trade.

An important meeting of the council of the Winnipeg board of trade was held on the afternoon of Wednesday, the 23rd ult., a report of which was unavoidably crowded out of last week's Commercial. At the meeting correspondence was read between the board and Premier MacDonald in reference to the appointment of an official assignee for the province, which indicated that legislation will be passed shortly embodying the views of the board in the matter. Representations now being made by the board of St. John, N. B., to the Dominion government for the repeal of the duties upon empty packages such as fruit baskets and boxes which have no commercial value were endorsed. The correspondence re the late Territorial insolvency act was read and the action of the officers in the matter approved. A. Strang, delegate to the Grand Forks waterway convention, reported on that gathering. It was reported that the C. P. R. had agreed to remove an objection-

able freight regulation affecting mixed carlots. The board's action re addressing freight packages in full was reported to have met with general approval throughout Canada. L. A. Nares was appointed delegate to the fourth congress of chambers of commerce to be held in London, England, June 26 to 29.

C.N. Bell, secretary of the board, reported on the result of his recent trip to Ottawa. Among other things this report dealt with Manitoba export statistics. In the past much of the grain and produce of Manitoba exported to other countries has figured in the Dominion returns as from Quebec and other eastern provinces owing to the system of compiling statistics which places the exports to the credit of the province in which the shipping port is situated. In this way Quebec gets credit for much of the exports of Manitoba. The minister of customs has promised to remedy this, and is now working out a scheme for doing so. In the matter of branch post offices in Winnipeg such representation has been made to the postmaster-general that he has promised as many branch offices as the Winnipeg inspector shall recommend. As a result of Mr. Bell's efforts for the establishment of flaxseed inspection for Manitoba, a bill has been passed through both houses at Ottawa embodying the recommendations of the board. Another important reform is in regard to the inspection of grain in the Manitoba division. The minister has agreed to instruct all grain inspectors to specify the exact amount of dirt or foreign seeds to be cleaned out of grain which has been ordered by them to be cleaned. A conference was held between Mr. Bell and the member for Winnipeg re the inspection of apples and Mr. Bell reports that Mr. Puttee is carefully watching western interests in the matter. Mr. Bell interviewed the postmaster general on the question of better service on the Emerson branch of the Northern Pacific railway, with the result that reform has been promised. In the matter of customs duty being collected on the commissions of agents buying foreign goods for Canadian firms, Mr. Bell interviewed the minister of customs, but no concessions could be obtained in this matter. The final paragraph of Mr. Bell's report dealt with the question of inspection of grain at Montreal. The corn exchange of that city have asked for and obtained a bill providing that all foreign grain passing through Canada for export may be inspected at Montreal and certificates of grade issued. Interest was taken by the Winnipeg board in this matter owing to an effort having been made by some members of the Montreal exchange to have the bill also provide for inspection of Manitoba grain at that port. This idea did not, however, in the meantime gain favor with the majority of the Montreal exchange to have the movement did not result in anything.

On Tuesday afternoon of this week a meeting of the full board was held which is reported as follows: The president, D. K. Elliot, occupied the chair and on calling the meeting to order gave a summary of the actions of the council since the last meeting of the board. Amongst other matters the question had arisen of a delegate to the London congress of chambers of commerce and Mr. Nares had been asked to represent the Winnipeg board of trade. A delegation from the council had waited upon Mr. Mellen during his visit to the city regarding the rebuilding or deposition of the ruins of the Manitoba hotel. They had been

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informed that the Northern Pacific railway company had not yet decided upon its course of action in regard to rebuilding or otherwise, but the matter would in the near future receive its attention. The attention of the council had been drawn to a bill about to be passed by the legislative assembly of the Northwest Territories in which it was proposed that all assignees of firms assigning in the Territories must be also residents of the Territories. It had been represented to Mr. Haultain that such a measure would be a great injustice to wholesale firms here and the bill had been withdrawn. Mr. Bell, secretary of the board of trade, had given the council a full report of his doings at Ottawa. The president went on to explain that a delegation from the council had interviewed the local government respecting the grasshopper pest and had been assured by Hon. Mr. Davidson that the government were fully alive to the importance of the question and active measures were to be taken at once to confine the pest to as small an area as possible. Prof. Fletcher, the Dominion etymologist, and Prof. Luzon, an authority on the same subject from St. Paul, had been communicated with and both gentlemen would probably arrive in the city in a few days. On motion the entire report of the executive council was adopted.

Mr. J. Russell gave an interesting report on the beet-sugar industry. The government had been interviewed on the subject and they had promised to experiment with a view of testing the suitability of this country for the production of the sugar beet. Mr. Russell believed that the district around Winnipeg was as suitable as any for the production of the quality of beet required. Experiments in the States had brought out the fact that the farther north the beet was grown, the larger percentage of sugar was found in the article. The long period of sunlight in northern latitudes in the summer and the low temperature at the time of ripening were especially favorable climatic features. It was important that if the beet was to be grown on next or subsequent years that the soil should be prepared at once, as a properly cultivated soil was an essential of success. As Manitoba alone consumes 15,000,000 pounds of sugar annually the importance of the industry from the standpoint of home consumption alone was an important one.

An inquiry was made as to what progress was being made with the work on the St. Andrews rapids. It had been understood some time ago that a number of men were at work there, but at present the work was entirely discontinued. Mr. Bell explained that during his visit at Ottawa he had learned that the contract for the improvements had been awarded to Mr. Thos. Kelly. The government had, however, fixed a minimum wage rate, which was higher than the rate on which Mr. Kelly had based his estimates in making the tender. A delay was consequently occasioned by the necessity for a readjustment of the matter, as the contractor had refused to proceed with the work on the basis of the minimum wage rate fixed by the government. The delay, however, would probably be but a brief one.

Mr. Strang drew attention to the fact that although the C. P. R. had reduced general passenger rates in the province from 4c to 3c per mile, yet the commercial travellers had received no corresponding reduction and were

now paying the same rates as the general public. On motion a committee to be selected by the president was appointed to confer with a committee from the Commercial Travellers' association and interview Mr. McNicoll on the subject on his return from the west. The names of Messrs. J. H. Ashdown, F. W. Drewry, A. Strang, W. Georgeason, F. W. Stobart, and G. F. Galt were suggested by the president as a suitable deputation.

Mr. Stobart asked if the council of the board of trade were taking any steps to watch the legislation being passed by the provincial legislature respecting increased taxation of certain interests. He believed that such measures should be carefully watched as likely to injuriously affect certain important commercial interests in the city.

Mr. Russell endorsed Mr. Stobart's sentiments, and believed that in the interest of the board a permanent legislative committee should be appointed to watch such legislation and report to the board when measures possibly prejudicial to any business interests were introduced. After further discussion, Messrs. W. Georgeason, J. Russell, Capt. Carruthers, J. H. Ashdown, N. Bailey, and F. W. Stobart were appointed as a legislative committee.

The president read the various clauses of the advance programme of the London congress of chambers of commerce, pointing out those which the council had instructed their representative, Mr. Nares, to support or oppose. A clause recommending general and compulsory adoption of the decimal and metric system of weights and measures after two years created some discussion, but was finally approved.

#### British Columbia Sealing Catch.

The total catch of seals this year while larger in the aggregate than last year—more schooners were employed—is a little below the average of last year per schooner. The total catch for the 31 schooners which hunted off the coast this season was 17,480 pelts, an average of 564 to the schooner. Last year 19 schooners made a total catch of 10,472 skins off the coast, an average of 551 to the schooner. Had the weather not been so terribly rough in the north, sealers say, this would have been the best season for years on the coast. Seals were most plentiful, but the weather was so bad that lowering days were few. Those vessels which hunted only off the southern coast made catches which averaged over 650 to the schooner, and had the daily average to the northward been equal to those taken on the California and Oregon coasts, the catch this season would have been a very large one. As it is, the catch is the largest for four seasons. The catch on the coast in 1898 was 11,055; in 1897, 6,100, and in 1896, 10,703. When the Indian catch the coast catch of the season of 1899 steamer Wallipadue in about a week the coast catch of the season of 1899 will run up close to 18,000 skins. The total tonnage of this year's fleet is 2,551. The number of men employed 997. Of these 374 were whites and 623 Indians.

#### American Sheep for Australia.

A car load of what are probably the finest prize sheep ever sent to Australia arrived at Vancouver on Thursday last from the eastern states for shipment by the Aorangl to the Antipodes. They belong to Pitny B. Norton, of Addison county,

Vermont, who last year also took through a shipment of prize stock for the Sydney fair. This shipment of 48 head was brought through in a palace horse car, which is much better ventilated and generally more suited to the purpose than an ordinary freight car. The car was inspected by Dr. J. W. Bland, the veterinary surgeon of the department of agriculture, of New South Wales, and he pronounces them the finest lot of Spanish-American Merinos he has ever seen. They are all of the best bred stock in Vermont, worth \$1,000 each and over; they will be sold to the sheep raisers of Australia at the annual fair next July. The shipment left Vermont thirteen days ago, and all are now in an apparently perfect condition. They will be kept in the car until the steamer is ready to sail, and then will be given deck berths in crates. The wool on the rams is a revelation to local breeders it is now four inches long and will average in weight 45 to 48 pounds; a weight which would have been considered marvellous half a century ago. The sheep are considered standard bred with very long pedigrees so that their names and fortunes can be told as far back as when their ancestors were browsing on the Spanish uplands. But these aforesaid ancestors had smooth coats; the American breeding has put folds in their coats with the result that a fleece can now enclose the body of a bullock. It is this principal that it is desired to carry out on the Australian sheep ranch to give more wool per sheep, and thus a market has been created for American breeders.

#### Crop Report.

Canadian Pacific railway agents in the province and Territories were asked by the Free Press on Monday afternoon to furnish reports of the amount of rainfall this season, and the condition of the crops in their localities. Below are the answers received by wire at night, showing a healthy condition, but a desire for rain:

#### ALONG C. P. R. MAIN LINE.

Portage la Prairie, May 28.—The crops in this section are looking very well considering that during May there has been practically no rain. Not enough has fallen to settle the dust. Crops on light sandy soils are suffering from lack of rain.

High Bluff, May 28.—Crops looking good, but are in need of rain. Have had only two very light showers since seeding started.

Carberry, May 28.—Crops are looking well, and although we have had no rain for several weeks, the crops are not suffering.

Brandon, May 28.—Light land is suffering for want of rain. Other land all right so far. The growth is slow. Rainfall for April and May about half an inch.

Alexander, May 28.—All grain suffering for want of rain. Have had no rain up to date. Hot winds and drought has already destroyed grain in some places, where badly blown. An early and heavy rain is greatly needed, otherwise a very poor crop will be the result.

Oak Lake, May 28.—Light rain in some parts of this district last week, but crops generally badly in need of rain. Hot, dry weather, with high wind has had a bad effect on all crops.

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Carman, May 28.—Crops on heavy land are above ground and look well but are at a standstill. No growth. Light lands badly blown in places

## Some Horse Nail Arithmetic.

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Now, test this statement by a little horse nail arithmetic, and see the result: A box of No. 8 Oval Head "C" brand, will contain about 2,500 nails. A full set of four shoes for a horse requires 32 nails. Divide the quantity required for one horse into the quantity contained in one box, and you will find that 78 is the answer. A box of No. 8 Horse Nails will, therefore, shoe 78 horses. The average price charged by a farrier for shoeing a full set is \$1.25. For 78 horses the total cost will, therefore, be  $78 \times \$1.25 = \$97.50$ . For this work he uses one box of say No. 8 Nails; he can either buy the best nails made, the "C" brand, which is the standard in Canada and for this reason has always commanded the highest price; or he can buy another brand which has always commanded the cheapest price. What would be the difference to him? Possibly at the most 50 cents a box, which on the total value of the work done by him, viz.: \$97.50, represents practically a percentage of one-half of one per cent. only! or to put the matter another way: in one set of shoes, the difference in the cost of the "C" brand and the cheapest nails sold in Canada is only 64-100 of one cent. Don't you think you had better have the best for the sake of two-thirds of one cent? Then always order the "C" brand, made only by us. In buying the "C" brand you are getting the product of our thirty-five years' experience in the manufacture of this one article. Every nail is warranted perfect, and made from the best selected Swedish Charcoal Steel Nail Rods, by the "hot hammer forged process."

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### Auction Sales of Manitoba School Lands.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that auction sales of School Lands will be held at the following places in the Province of Manitoba, on the undermentioned dates, viz.:-

Brandon, Friday, June 1st, 1900 at 1 p. m.  
 Virtem, Monday, June 4th, 1900 at 10 a. m.  
 Carberry, Monday, June 4th, 1900, at 10 a. m.  
 Oak Lake, Tuesday, June 5th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 McGregor, Tuesday, June 5th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Morden, Tuesday, June 5th, 1900, at 10 a. m.  
 Portage la Prairie, Wednesday, June 6th, 1900, at 10 a. m.  
 Miami, Wednesday, June 6th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Souris, Friday, June 8th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Gladstone, Friday, June 8th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Emerson, Friday, June 8th, 1900, at 10 a. m.  
 Birtle, Monday, June 11th, 1900, at 10 a. m.  
 Minnedosa, Tuesday, June 12th, 1900 at 1 p. m.  
 Crystal City, Tuesday, June 12th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Rapid City, Wednesday, June 13th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Killarney, Thursday, June 14th, 1900 at 1 p. m.  
 Rolsevain, Saturday, June 16th, 1900 at 10 a. m.  
 Deloraine, Tuesday, June 19th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Melita, Thursday, June 21st, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Baldur, Monday, June 25th, 1900, at 1 p. m.  
 Holland, Wednesday, June 27th, 1900, at 10 a. m.  
 Winnipeg, Friday, June 29th, 1900, at 1 p. m.

Note.—The hour of sale will be in accordance with local railway time.

The lands to be offered are situated in the best settled portions of Manitoba, with good railway and market facilities, and comprise some of the choicest farming lands in the Province. They will be offered in quarter sections, except in a few cases, where they have been divided into lots, and will be subject to the upset prices stated in the sales lists.

They will be sold without regard to persons who may be in illegal occupation of the same, but such persons, if any, will be allowed a period of thirty days after the sale within which to remove buildings and other property.

#### TERMS OF PAYMENT.

One tenth in cash at the time of the sale and the balance in nine equal annual instalments with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum on the balance of the purchase money from time to time remaining unpaid, except where the land is sold in Legal Subdivisions or in smaller areas, in which case the terms of payment will be one-fifth in cash at the time of sale, and the balance in four equal annual instalments with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum. The second instalment of the purchase money will be made payable on the 1st, November, 1901, so as to allow the purchaser to obtain a crop from the land before the second payment becomes due, and the remaining instalments yearly from that date.

Note.—Payments must be made in cash. Scrip or Warrants will not be accepted.

Lists of the lands to be sold, with full particulars, may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Department of the Interior, Ottawa; J. W. Greucway, Inspector of School Lands, Crystal City, Manitoba, or to any Agent of Dominion Lands in Manitoba.

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and suffering. Have had only one light rain lasting about 20 minutes this spring. Rain is badly needed.

Pilot, Mound, May 28.—No rain yet. Crops all right, but must have rain within a week or ten days.

Cartwright, May 28.—Crops in this vicinity are looking well. No rain as yet: badly in need of it.

Glenboro, May 28.—No rain in this district. Crops are suffering for want of it.

Boisevain, May 28.—We have had no rain up to date. The summer fallow and fall plowing are still looking well, except where the wind has blown the surface off the seed on the light high and light sandy lands. The buck setting is about half up and the balance will not come until we get rain. If rain comes within the next ten days we will have an average crop, but we need rain and each day it holds off is an injury.

Antler, May 28.—Crops are looking well. Good rain last night. Crops not suffering for want of rain yet.

Melita, May 28.—No rain yet this season, and it is very badly needed. Crops are commencing to suffer. The early sown grain is the worst. Some fields have been plowed up and re-sown.

Deloraine, May 28.—Have had several light showers since seeding. Crops, with the exception of one or two fields, are looking first class, and never so far advanced at this season of the year.

Treherne, May 28.—The crops in this vicinity are looking very fair, and are suffering very little for want of rain. No rain this spring.

Souris, May 28.—No rain of any account. Crops not suffering much, but rain is very much needed.

Manitou, May 28.—Crops in this district looking well. No rain, but badly needed.

IN RED RIVER VALLEY.

Gretna, May 28.—One hour's light rain during the last month. Crops looking fairly well. Rain needed soon.

Plum Coulee, May 28.—Crops at a standstill. Had about one and a half hours' light rain last week. More needed badly.

Winkler, May 28.—About two hours' rain has fallen, not enough to wet the roots of the grain. Crops are not suffering up to the present time. Need rain at once.

Morris, May 28.—About one hour's rain this season, not sufficient to do any good. Crops are badly in need of rain.

Dominton City, May 28.—Crops looking well on heavy land. To the southeast they are not yet suffering. Crops to the northwest are on light land and are badly in want of rain. Ten days ago there were ten hours' of light rain.

LaRiviere, May 28.—Have had two light showers since seeding. Grain not suffering yet, but need rain badly.

Otterburne, Man., May 28.—Crops in this district are looking well and not suffering for want of rain. Had a nice shower on the 23rd inst.

Douglas, May 28.—Crops are looking good. Spring has been very dry, only two light showers. Require rain plentifully now.

ALONG M. & N. W. LINE.

Westbourne, May 28.—No rain here since the snow went, and the crops are commencing to suffer for want of it. If the weather keeps dry for another week no doubt but the crops will be greatly damaged.

Gladstone, May 28.—No rain in this vicinity yet this season. Crops are advancing slowly, but are still a little ahead of last year. Rain is much needed.

Nernawa, May 28.—Crops are suffering for want of rain. In many

cases late sown grain is not up. Have had no rain at all.

Rapid City, May 28.—Crops in this district are looking well, but commencing to stop growing for want of rain, especially the later sown grain. No rain has fallen here this season.

Shoal Lake, May 28.—Crops in this district are beginning to suffer for want of rain, especially grain sown on high land. We have had two light showers during the past two weeks, but not sufficient to help crops much. Rain is badly needed.

Strathclair, May 28.—We have not had any rain in this district since spring opened and the crops are beginning to suffer for want of it. Farmers say if we would get a good heavy rain now they would not be much set back by the past dry weather.

Midway, May 28.—Crops are beginning to show the want of rain. Not any rain has fallen in this vicinity this spring.

Millwood, Man., May 28.—About three hours' of moderate rain recorded in this locality this season. Crops are doing well, and not suffering as yet for want of moisture.

Birtle, May 28.—There has been no rain in this district lately, and the wheat on the high ground is suffering badly for want of moisture. On the low ground, if the rain comes soon, there will be an average crop, but all depends on rain coming very soon. Oats are also suffering for rain.

Russell, May 28.—Have had half an hour's light rain during the past two weeks. The crops are beginning to show the need of more moisture, as they are turning yellow in spots. The late sown grain has not sprouted in some instances.

Saltcoats, May 28.—About two hours of a heavy shower here. Crops in good condition, and not suffering for want of rain so far.

Yorkton, May 28.—We have had six hours' moderate rain in this vicinity since the snow went. Owing to the ground being very wet last fall, when it froze up, there is nothing suffering here as yet.

NORTHWEST OF WINNIPEG.

Balmoral, May 28.—Seeding all over here. Bulk of wheat is doing fairly well, but oats and barley are suffering for the want of rain.

IN THE TERRITORIES.

Regina, May 28.—Crops in this district were doing well until struck by a severe hot wind Saturday and Sunday, which injured the high, exposed summer fallow to some extent. Rain is badly needed. Very little has fallen yet. If rain comes soon the damage by the hot winds will be considerably lessened and will not be serious.

Balgownie, May 28.—Crops very good south of here, but want rain badly in the north. Have had several good rains the past ten days.

Broadview, May 28.—Crops looking very well. Not more than 2 inches of rain fell this spring. They are in need of rain in this district.

Red Deer, Alta., May 28.—Crops fully six weeks in advance of this time last year and looking excellent. Pasturing exceptionally good. Have had frequent showers. Could do without rain for a month.

Wetaskiwin, Alta., May 28.—Crops further advanced for this time of season than they have been for eight years. Pasture excellent. Have had frequent showers.

Swift Current, May 28.—Pasturage fair, requires more rain. No rain today, probably rain to-night.

Macleod, May 28.—Ranchers state the weather all spring has been most favorable for their industry. Rains

have been frequent and heavier than usual in the district, giving good growth to hay. Very little grain crop put in tributary to Macleod. What there is reported in good condition.

Maple Creek, May 28.—Crops and pasturage in excellent condition. We have had an abundance of rain.

Calgary, May 28.—Rainfall for the month 1.35 inches. Crops and pasturage three weeks in advance of the average of last ten years. Rain not specially needed, but indications that we shall have it. Early potatoes and tender garden vegetables injured by frost last night. All else first rate.

Oxbow, May 28.—Have had only a few light showers this spring, but most of the grain is looking well. If rain does not come soon the crops will suffer.

HOPPERS AT CARBERRY.

A gentleman who arrived in the city last night from Carberry states that the grasshopper pest is being felt in the fields north of Carberry. The hoppers are now young and vigorous and are literally mowing down the fields of grain as they advance. Most of the hoppers are now in the stage of existence preceding the acquisition of wings and they are present in considerable numbers.

EUROPEAN OUTLOOK.

London, May 28.—The Mark Lane Express in its weekly review of the crop situation to-day says: "Wheat has improved, but oats and barley are less promising than for many seasons. French cereals are three weeks late. In Austria-Hungary, southern Russia, Turkey, Greece and Persia, wheat and barley are satisfactory. In Italy the average will not be exceeded. Spain expects a good wheat crop."

TUESDAY'S REPORTS.

Moosomin, May 28.—Grain in this district is looking splendid, but rain is badly needed. There has been no rain for the past ten days.

McGregor, May 28.—Practically no rainfall. The want is beginning to be felt.

Minnedosa, May 28.—Crops are still advancing nicely, and apparently not yet suffering to any extent from want of rain. Have not had enough rain to do much good. A few heavy showers would now be of great benefit. Grasshoppers are becoming plentiful and doing slight damage in some places.

Emerson, May 28.—We have had two good rains since seeding, and the crops have a good color as yet. Late seeding is not doing much. We want rain badly.

Moose Jaw, May 28.—The crops are progressing very favorably. We have had several good rains.

Medicine Hat, May 28.—The pastures and crops here are looking favorable. We have had enough rain to suit the crops and pasturage.

Lethbridge, May 28.—The pasture is exceptionally good. We have had frequent rainfalls. The weather is rather cold.

Stebles, May 28.—The crops and pasturage here are good. Rain is not badly needed. Cannot say the amount of rain fall.

Wolsley, May 28.—Crops in this district are healthy and occasional good showers have kept things growing. Although not suffering for lack of rain, a good rain would be much appreciated by the farmers.

Pipestone, May 28.—The crops are suffering on account of high winds and no rain.

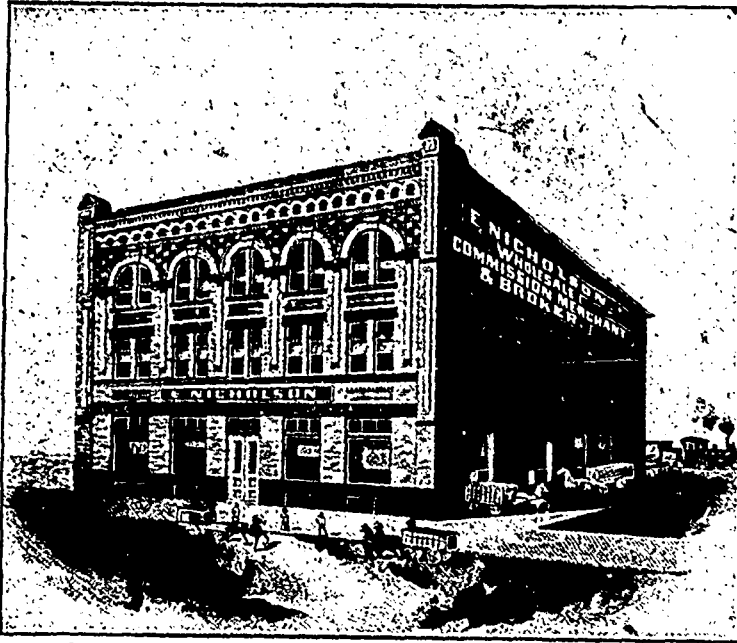
Reston, May 28.—The crops in this district have done well so far, but the need of rain is beginning to be felt. There has been no rain to speak of for some time.

Regina, May 28.—There was a very heavy rain last night and it is still raining to-day.

Virden, May 28.—We have had several light showers during the past week. The grain is looking good and is not suffering for the want of rain yet.

Holland, May 28.—The crop generally is looking well considering the drought. We have had no rain, excepting a very light shower, this spring. If the rain holds off a week or two longer, the effect on the crop will be serious.





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Statistical Wheat Report.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Montreal	313,000
Toronto	65,000
Kingston	30,000
Coteau, Que.	200,000
Dépot Harbor, Ont.	222,000
Winnipeg	310,000
Manitoba elevators	2,650,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	13,100,000

Total May 17	6,896,000
Total previous week	8,107,000
Total a year ago	8,387,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's May 10, were 61,979,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 42,305,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on May 1 were 7,050,000 bushels, compared with 5,923,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended May 23, was 46,113,000 bushels, being a decrease of 1,598,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 24,102,000 bushels, two years ago 23,692,000 bushels, three years ago 24,897,000 bushels, and four years ago 50,340,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, is 5,936,000 bushels, compared with 7,957,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 13,707,000 bushels compared with 16,978,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

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

	Bushels.
1900	148,014,000
1899	117,213,000
1898	65,590,000
1897	107,198,000
1896	146,682,000
1895	172,099,000

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1899, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop.	Last crop.
Minneapolis	74,083,374	78,836,776
Milwaukee	9,006,542	11,810,756
Duluth	47,847,113	65,996,943
Chicago	22,101,361	31,439,785

Total	154,040,390	188,084,280
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The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1899, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop.	Last crop.
Toledo	10,760,830	12,801,682
St. Louis	8,801,489	13,656,401
Detroit	3,062,433	4,843,858
Kansas City	14,388,540	24,958,743

Total	37,553,322	56,261,681
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Grain Freight Rates.

Chicago Trade Bulletin. — There were so many rumors about rate cutting that the east bound agents held a meeting during the week and braced up the weak ones. The tariff on domestic grain and grain products from Mississippi river common points is. To New York, 17½c. Boston 19½c, Philadelphia 15½c. Baltimore 14½c. On export grain rates from Chicago are as follows: To New York and Boston 13c, Philadelphia 12c, Baltimore 11½c From the Mississippi river for export. To Boston and New York 15½c, Philadelphia 14½c, Baltimore 14c, Lake and rail rates from Chicago to New York, 12c per 100 lbs. on flour, 5c per bushel on wheat, 4½c on corn and 3¼c on oats. Ocean freight room was in fair demand and rates were steady Rates are 3¼d per bushel from New York, and 3d from Boston to Liverpool. The through rate on wheat from Chicago to Liverpool is 13.60c per bushel, all rail via New York, and 12.75 via Boston. Flour is 23½@24c per 100 lbs., and provisions 48.28@48.70. Lake rates are lower at 1½c for wheat, and 1¾c for corn, and 1c for clipped oats to Buffalo.

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard wheat closed at 76c, Fort William.

Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.50; best bakers, \$1.80.

Oatmeal—\$1.85 per 50lb sack of Manitoba meal.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$10 per ton; shorts, \$12, delivered to city dealers.

Oats—Carlots on track, 40@42c per bushel for No. 2 mixed.

Barley—38@41c per bushel.

Corn—In carlots, 41@42c per bushel of 36lb.

Butter—Dairy, full grass butter, 15@17c per lb, commission basis; creamery, 16@17c at the factories.

Cheese—9½@10c per lb for old; new cheese, 8½@9c.

Eggs—13c for Manitoba fresh.

Hides—No. 1 green hides, 6½c per lb.

Wool—7@8c for unwashed fleeces.

Seneca—17c per lb.

Hay—Baled, \$8@8.50 per ton on cars.

Potatoes—60@70c per bushel; carlots, 60c per bushel.

Dressed Poultry—Turkeys, 15c per lb; chickens, 15c; live chickens, 80@90c per pair.

Dressed Meats—Fresh killed beef, 6½@7½c; fresh killed mutton, 11@11½c; hogs, 6@6½c; veal, 7@8c; spring lamb, 4½@5½c per carcass.

Live Stock—Cattle, 4@4½c for choice steers; stockers, \$12@16 for yearlings; sheep, 5c; hogs, 4½@4¾c off cars for selected weights.

The Montreal Wholesale Grocers' Guild has fixed the price on new crop molasses at 39c for single puncheons and carlots at 38c.

During the ten months ending April 30 last the total foreign trade of Canada was \$297,932,525, or an increase of \$12,875,453 over the corresponding period of last year. The total exports were \$148,335,451, an increase of \$18,520,202. The imports were \$149,597,374, an increase of \$24,355,251. For the ten months the customs collections were \$24,236,142, as against \$20,072,127, a betterment of \$3,164,020. The imports for April increased from \$12,452,117 to \$13,938,065.

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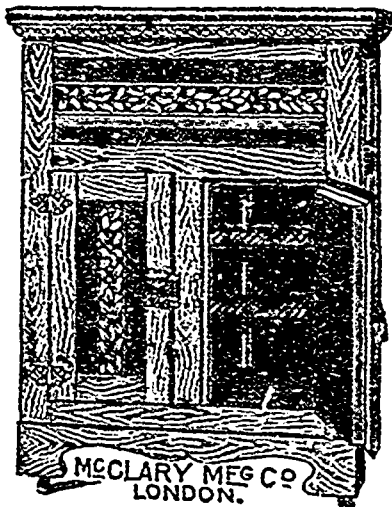
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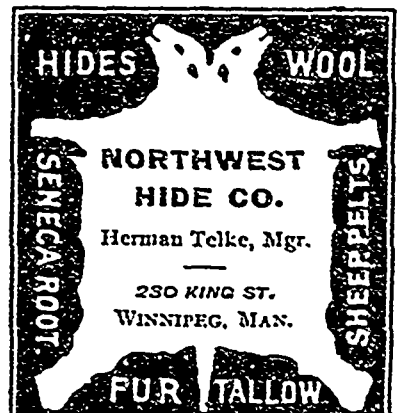
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CITY TRAVELLERS.

The accompanying engraving shows a group of Winnipeg city travellers, all members of the Winnipeg City Travellers Association. President Dickie appears in the centre of the group. The Winnipeg association was formed about six years ago with about 20 members, representatives of city jobbing concerns. Alex. Pratt, then travelling for Paulin & Co., was the first president; J. M. Scott, vice-president; and K. J.

TRAVELLERS MEET.

At a meeting of the directors of the Northwest Commercial Travellers' of Canada, held last Saturday afternoon in the board room of the Association in the McIntyre block the acceptance of the resignation of J.M. O'Loughlin as secretary was regretfully confirmed and his successor, Fred J. Cox, appointed, Mr. Cox resigning the office of vice-president to accept the appointment. Geo. F. Bryan was then unanimously elected vice-president, and A. Buchler a director to fill the vacancy on the

T. A. of Canada desire to show in some tangible way their appreciation of the services you have rendered the association during the past fourteen years they also desire to express their unanimous regret at your approaching departure from their midst. We therefore ask your acceptance of the accompanying watch and chain as a silent token of remembrance of your fellow workers in the association and as a mark of the universal esteem in which you are held by them, both as a fellow-traveller and friend. They all join in wish-



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Johnston, secretary treasurer. John Mount, now in Nelson, is generally spoken of as the father of the association, while some of those instrumental with him in forming it besides the above named officers, were: A. D. Scott, W. R. Watson, W. Blackadar, I. M. Carroll, J. Douglas, R. J. Galan, D. M. Horne, John Horn, W. G. Lock and others. There are now in the association about 30 members. J. H. Dickie is president, A. J. Veitch, treasurer, and W. J. Blundell is temporarily acting as secretary. John Horn, who is now vice-president, does not appear in the above group, his absence having been unavoidable.

board. After the transaction of some further business the meeting adjourned, but only to perform the most pleasant part of the afternoon's programme. The officers and members of the board were at this time joined by a large representation of past officers and directors of the association, when L. C. McIntyre took charge of the proceedings by claiming the attention of Mr. O'Loughlin a few moments to read the following address and to present to him a handsome gold watch, chain and locket, suitably engraved:  
"Dear Mr. O'Loughlin,—The past and present officers and members of the board of directors of the N. W. C.

ing you the greatest prosperity and happiness in your new sphere of usefulness in New York and trust that as you refer to your watch to mark the flight of time you will ever be reminded of the Winnipeg friends you left behind you in the city of the plains.  
Signed: Wm. Hargreaves, president; F. J. C. Cox, Fred Finney, Frank Agnew, Kenneth McKenzie, G. F. Stephens, D. W. Bole, A. S. Blinn, L. C. McIntyre, Geo. F. Bryan, R. M. McGowan, Jas. A. Lindsay, J. Y. Griffin, Henry Bell, F. W. Drury, A. P. Jeffrey, J. T. Black, J. I. B. Persse, H. Bruce Gordon, Thos. Johnson, F. M.

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Mr. O'Loughlin recalled in a few well chosen words, expressing the great regret it was to him to be obliged to sever the close ties which bound him to Winnipeg and to the many good friends he had made while here. He also expressed his great surprise at being presented with such a nice present as he never thought his fellow travellers were coming against him in any way, but the gift would always be a pleasure to him as a constant reminder of the many pleasant years he had spent in fellowship with the donors, whom he heartily thanked for their kindness and good wishes.

**Manitoba Railway Man on the Western Situation.**

The following is gleaned from an interview published by the Montreal Gazette with Robert Kerr, passenger traffic manager of the C. P. R., who has just returned from the San Francisco railway and steamboat convention:

Mr. Kerr says the crop outlook in Manitoba and the Territories is particularly good, and barring something unforeseen, he believes the crop will be an abundant one. The Alberta ranch stock are in magnificent shape. The past winter was a particularly fine one, there being but little snow and no heavy storms.

Speaking of the settlers coming to the Northwest from Illinois, Minnesota, Dakota, and other states, Mr. Kerr said:

"These people, when once they find themselves on this side of the line, have very little to learn, as the conditions in the way of farming are quite similar to those in the States I have just named. Mixed farming is now general through the Canadian Northwest. They recognize the fact that it is never wise to carry all their eggs in one basket. If wheat fails, the farmer still has his stock of coarse grains to fall back upon, and when one line fails he is generally sure of the others, and is not, in consequence, badly hurt. Throughout Manitoba now you see farms with wire fences, splendid houses and barns that make you think of the best agricultural districts of Ontario, and the eastern provinces. We have farmers, in fact, who have everything paid off and money out at interest besides."

Mr. Kerr was all through the Kootenay and Boundary districts, and says the mining industry is improving, and a heavy development is expected in the very near future.

Speaking of the conference at San Francisco, he said it was composed of representatives and managers of the trans-Pacific steamship and trans-continental railway lines, several leading men of the Orient being present.

**Making Good Roads.**

The first consideration in the building or repairing of a dirt road or a road having a dirt foundation should be its drainage. No water should be allowed to remain on the track and none should be left at the side. The roadbed must be so constructed and kept that water will run off at once, and the side ditches, culverts and cross drains must have ample capacity for carrying the water away. It would be well also to have the roadbed underdrained with tile running its length and having necessary outlets to the side. Seldom is there anything to prevent giving a road good drainage and usually it is a simple and easy undertaking, but, though everybody who

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builds, repairs or uses these roads recognizes the necessity of proper drainage, few well drained roads can be found in this section of the country.

Had the time and money expended on our country roads been skillfully directed and intelligently applied they would have been generally good; but whether well or poorly constructed dirt roads will not keep in condition without proper care. As a rule a road is built or generally repaired and then is left to itself. Ruts form and ditches and drains become obstructed, so when a rainy spell comes on, water stands or settles in the track, and at the side and soon the road becomes bad, and the damage done will cost a dozen times as much to repair as would the timely attention necessary to prevent it. To nothing does the old saying, "a stitch in time saves nine" more aptly apply than to roads. With the excellent machinery now provided our country roads can be put and kept in good condition with little expense, comparatively, but they never will be well kept until they are placed, as in Europe, under such supervision as will see that repairs are promptly made. Through lack of such supervision the country suffers enormous loss every year.—Farm Implement News.

A New York report says of the wool markets: "Reports from the west show a better feeling existing than has been the case for some time, with growers meeting offers of eastern men at a somewhat more reasonable figure. Many of them are still asking prices that would mean a cost price of 55c landed here, clean, which is rather more than is now received on some lots. Territories have monopolized the bulk of attention, and in the neighborhood of 1,250,000 pounds of this variety have been disposed of. Much of this wool has been unwashed, and the price has ranged very close to 18c. The idea of closing out stocks of undesirable lots is becoming prevalent, and it is expected that concessions will be made further to get rid of them. Fleeces have been dull and with little interest manifested in them. The same is true of California, Texas and Oregon wools, with dealers expecting to make up lots from new purchases."

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## THE IMPLEMENT TRADE

## THE TWINE MARKET.

Latest reports from the early harvest territory says the Farm Implement News, indicate that a few sellers who have shown a disposition to compete with prices made by irresponsible sidewalk brokers selling rejected and old twine now realize that their action was unwise. As a result the market in that territory is firmer. The conclusion has evidently been reached, as it ought to have been when the quotations of the aforesaid irresponsible persons were first made, that sellers of new and standard makes of twine are not obliged to compete with such prices to obtain orders. The dealers, as has been stated repeatedly, are suspicious of twine offered at such low prices by persons whose names are strange in the twine market.

The result of competition of this character is not advantageous to the sellers of low grade twine; the amount of business obtained by them is small, probably no greater than would have been obtained at higher prices. But quotations of this character have a bear influence on the prices of others, especially when it is deemed advisable, for the sake of future business, to be as low as the lowest, or inadvisable to assume the risk of carrying unsold twine until another season.

It appears now that either because stocks have been greatly reduced or confidence in the outcome is stronger, attempts to compete with the price of suspicious twine have been discontinued. Such is the report that comes from the territory referred to.

In the middle west and northwest the price has not touched the average prevailing for several weeks in the early territory. Many concerns still hold to the original price basis of 11½ cents in small lots while none, as far as we can learn, has gone below an 11 cent basis, except the sellers of the suspicious stock previously referred to. The reliable houses have not attempted to compete with that stock. Whether or not any of them will, cannot be foretold; but no such disposition is apparent at this time. The situation of the past few weeks in the southwest may be correctly described as a local flurry, the influence of which has not extended into other territory. It has been charged by some of the leading sellers that the lowest prices made by responsible houses related to twine that would not bear inspection, but on this point corroborative testimony is lacking.

The decline in sisal hemp is regarded as a menace to a firm market or to a continuance of the present average of prices, but the decline is considered by many as coming too late to materially change the present conditions. It should be borne in mind by the dealers that late arrivals of sisal hemp are of short stock. The information on which this statement is based comes from unquestioned authority and is repeated here for no other purpose than to give the trade all the news of the twine and fiber markets.

## IMPLEMENT ASSOCIATION.

Secretary Chapin, of the Western Retail Implement Dealers' Association of Canada, has mailed to all Manitoba dealers copies of the by-laws and constitution of the association, as adopted at the meeting held at Brandon on April 19. In an accompanying letter he says: "Our annual meeting will be held in Winnipeg next February, and is intended to be a

great big thing, including a supper; special notice later on. But the 'latest' is a double booth on the fair grounds, Winnipeg, in July, fitted especially for dealers, and may be called 'head-quarters' for dealers. Every dealer should register his name, and make all his appointments here; if he wants to find an implement man he will know where to look; arrange to see each other or anybody at head-quarters for dealers; wash water, combs, brushes and mirrors at hand; also daily papers and oceans of ice water. Help yourself—it's for you—feel at home. Bring your wife or daughter or girl. The directors will be in charge and endeavor to adapt themselves to circumstances, but will not make a big fuss or show about it, nor spend much money. But Winnipeg Industrial would be incomplete without something along this line. Read the by-laws and constitution carefully and join the organization, and get others to join; meet your competitors and discuss business in a friendly way. There are approximately 350 dealers in Manitoba and the Northwest, 55 have paid their dues to this organization, 295 owe this organization \$5 each. Send it in, boys."

## IMPLEMENT TRADE NOTES.

Sisal hemp receipts at New York are increasing and prices are weaker in consequence.

One line of trade that has been good this past spring has been that of vehicles. Jobbers have done a much better business than they expected.

R. H. Agur, manager of the Massey-Harris Company at Winnipeg, left this week on a trip east and south for the benefit of his health. Mr. Agur has been ill for some time.

The buggy trade of Manitoba has reached large dimensions this year and factories which sell in this territory and the Northwestern States have found great difficulty in supplying the demand.

Total receipts of hemp at Manila this year to May 21 were 432,000 bales. Total shipments to the United States have been 50,000 bales, to England 175,000 bales, and to other countries 37,000 bales.

A test made by Farm Implement News of Chicago proved conclusively that at least one of the large catalogue twine houses in the United States is this year again selling inferior twine under representation that it is equal to the best in quality.

Reports from the southern grain states are unanimous in stating that the crop of winter wheat will be unusually heavy and accordingly a large amount of twine will be needed to bind the grain. This will have the effect of hardening the market for twine further north.

There is much dissatisfaction among implement houses regarding their treatment at the Winnipeg Industrial and other western fairs. Some of the dealers claim that they are not treated nearly as liberally as exhibitors in other lines, and they talk of refusing to exhibit at the fairs in consequence.

Speaking of the situation in the Philippines Farm Implement News of Chicago says: "Our army has made little progress in organizing municipal governments in southern Luzon and the work has been temporarily suspended on account of the presence of so many insurgents. The Americans hold only a few of the coast towns and these are surrounded by

hostile natives. The district is one of the largest and most important in the matter of hemp production. It has been repeatedly stated by New York fiber men that the large receipts of manila hemp came from the accumulations at forwarding ports and that after these supplies are exhausted the receipts will be light; also that while the receipts to date are the heaviest in the past five years, the total for the year will be short of an average."

## Grain and Milling Notes.

Bready, Love & Tryon's elevator at Boharm collapsed a few days ago, spilling 9,000 bushels of wheat.

A dispatch from Edmonton dated May 30, says: New hay was offered for sale on this market this morning, an unheard of thing in the district. Oats in Saskatchewan district are 14 to 15 inches above the ground and a strong growth.

It is estimated that about 1,500,000 bushels of next fall's flax crop has already been sold in the Duluth market. This flax, it is understood, is destined for shipment abroad, notwithstanding the increase in price since last summer. Despite the high prices, European demand for fall flax, as well as for cash seed, is very active.

Toronto Globe: "A meeting of the grain section of the Toronto Board of Trade has been called for 12.45 p. m. on Monday to discuss the question of the inspection of Ontario grain at Montreal. Dealers in Montreal are anxious to have Ontario grain inspected at Montreal. Local exporters can see no good reason for not having the inspection made in all cases by the Toronto inspector. They appear to have a better case than the Montreal men who want the change. In Liverpool, New York and other large grain markets the certificates of grade given by the Toronto inspector is accepted. That does not appear to be good enough for Montrealeers. Montreal people have to get the standard samples of Ontario grain from Toronto in any case. It is difficult to understand why they want the change."

The Dominion elevator bill embodying the changes suggested by the late commission was taken up in the house on Wednesday for third reading. Sir Henri Joly moved that it be sent back to committee, so that the clause 40, which provides for more than one warehouse being erected, be amended so that parties applying for the same should pay for the land upon which the additional building was to be erected, and for the siding and spur required for the same. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in support of the amendment, said that the producer could not get along without a railway nor a railway without the producer. It was necessary that both should work together. All that was wanted was that if more than one warehouse was required, the people who built it would have to pay for the land on which it was placed, as it was not right that anyone's property should be taken away from them without compensation." This amendment was opposed by some of the western members. It was, however, carried by a majority of 81.

Anthracite coal dropped 50c per ton at Montreal last week, making the price 25c per ton lower than at this time last year.

Beef hides have declined ½c per pound at Montreal, making the price \$2½c for No. 1 hides, 7½c for No. 2 and 6½c for No. 3.



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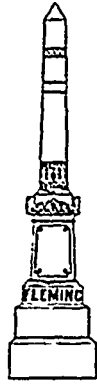
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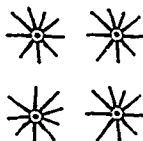
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for the balance of this and next month has been engaged at full figures and it is reported that the demand is now keen for July space at 60s to all the leading ports. The demand for export cattle is also good, and it is stated that 5½¢ per lb., is being paid freely for really choice stock.

### Manitoba Wheat Stocks.

There were 2,400,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on May 26. Receipts for the week were 484,000 bushels and shipments were 795,000 bushels. A year ago stocks in store at Fort William were 3,187,000 bushels; 851,000 bushels two years ago; 3,250,000 bushels three years ago; 3,612,000 bushels four years ago; 589,000 bushels five years ago; 1,543,000 bushels six years ago. Stocks of wheat at Fort William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and Interior points were estimated approximately at 7,250,000 bushels, compared with 8,700,000 bushels a year ago; 2,181,000 bushels two years ago; 6,328,000 bushels three years ago; 8,000,000 bushels four years ago, and 3,000,000 bushels five years ago.

### Taxing the Railways.

An act respecting the taxation of railway mileage and the earnings of railway companies has been introduced in the Manitoba legislature. The act divides the railways into two classes, those which are not expressly exempted from provincial or municipal taxation, and those which are either wholly or partly exempted from such taxation. It is provided that the railways coming under the first classification shall annually pay to the crown in the province a tax of \$150 for each mile of railway within

the province, from terminus to terminus. The tax to be payable on the 1st day of July, and thereafter on Feb. 1 in each and every year. It is also provided that in calculating the mileage every railway company shall include all switches, tracks, spurs and sidings, and each mile of double track shall be counted as two miles of single track.

The roads coming under the second classification are required to pay an annual tax of 3 per cent. of the gross earnings on their lines within the province. The statement of such gross earnings must be furnished by the company, and verified by the proper officers.

### Important Produce Change.

Announcement has been made to the effect that the business of the Parsons Produce Company at Winnipeg has been taken over and will hereafter be carried on by R. A. Rogers & Co. The Parsons Company got into difficulties last winter mainly through losses in British Columbia and the Yukon. Mr. Rogers, its general manager, has now arranged to take over this Winnipeg branch which will be carried on henceforth under the style given above. The British Columbia and Yukon business is not included in this arrangement.

### Western Business Items.

Peter McArthur is putting in a shingle machine and an apparatus for making fish boxes at his mill at Winnipegosis, Man.

The Manitoba Union Miring Company has commenced installing its cement plant near Roland, and it is expected that the manufactory will be in operation in about three months.

F. Heming has entered into partnership with his brother, W. W. Heming, in the furniture business at Swan River.

Fred J. Nixon, official assignee, has opened an office in the Bannatyne block, Winnipeg, over the Bank of Nova Scotia.

Tenders are wanted for the erection of a school house in Fairville school district. Bids to be in by the 9th inst., to Wm. Goggin, Dauphin, Man.

The stock and book debts of Geo. H. Rogers & Co., dry goods, etc., Winnipeg, were offered for sale at auction by the assignees on Thursday. The stock was bought in by the creditors at 50c on the dollar and the book debts went to Rogers himself at 10c on the dollar.

### Ontario Cheese Markets.

Ingersoll, Ont., May 29.—Virtually no cheese market to-day. A few boxes last three or four days' make boarded, but no bids made. May cheese about all sold.

Campbellford, Ont., May 29.—The cheese board met here to-day. Twelve hundred and seventy boxes, all white were offered. Sales being four hundred at 97½¢, 550 at 95¢, and 80 at 94½¢; the balance being unsold.

The proposed new measure of the Manitoba legislature taxing banks, loan and insurance companies, etc., was presented in the house this week.

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# WINNIPEG PRICES CURRENT

## GROCERIES

Prices to retail dealers for ordinary lot, with usual discounts for cash or large lots.

Canned Goods	Per case
Apples, 3s, 2 doz.	2 15
Apples, preserved, 3s, 2 doz.	3 00
Apples, gallons, (per doz.)	2 80
Black or Lawton berries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25
Beans, 2s, 2 doz.	2 00
Corn, 2s, 2 doz.	2 40
Cherries, red, pitted 2s, 2 doz	3 00
Peas, Marrowfat, 2s, 2 doz.	1 85
Peas, sifted, 2s, 2 doz.	2 25
Pears, Bartlett, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25
Pears, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 50
Pears, Bartlett, 3s, 2 doz.	5 00
Pineapple, 2s, 2 doz.	4 50
Pineapple, imported, 2s, 2 doz	5 00
Peaches, 2s, 2 doz.	3 90
Peaches, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz	5 00
Peaches, Canadian, 3s, 2 doz	6 25
Plums, 2s, 2 doz.	2 75
Plums, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz	4 50
Pumpkins, 3s, 2 doz.	2 00
Raspberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 00
Strawberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 00
Tomatoes, 3s, 2 doz.	3 35
Salmon, talls, 1s, 4 doz.	5 25
Salmon, Cohoec talls, 1s, 4 doz	7 50
Per tin.	
Sardines, domestic 1/2s.	0 4 1/2
Sardines, imported, 1/2s.	0 6 1/2
Sardines, imported, 3/4s.	1 15
Sardines, 1/2s, boneless.	20 33
Sardines, Dom., mustard 1/2s.	10 12
Per doz.	
Imported Fresh Herring, 1s.	40 1 50
Imp. Kipperd Herrings, 1s.	75 1 85
Imp. Herrings, Tom. Sauce 1s	80 1 90
Imp. " Anch. Sauce 1s	80 1 90
Imp. " Shrimp Sauce 1s	90 2 00
Canned Meats	
Corn Beef, 1s, 2 doz.	3 25
Corn Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3 00
Lunch Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3 00
Lunch Tongue, 1s, 2 doz.	6 00
Lunch Tongue, U.S. 2s, 1 doz	6 75
Lunch Tongue, Can. 2s, 1 doz	6 00
Brawn, 2s, 1 doz.	2 60
Pigs Feet, 1s 2 doz.	2 50
Roast Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	2 85
Per doz.	
Chicken, Duck or Turkey, 1s2	50 2 60
Potted Ham, 1/2s.	65 70
Devilled Ham, 1/2s.	65 70
Potted Tongue, 1/2s.	65 70
Potted Ham, 3/4s.	1 30
Devilled Ham, 3/4s.	1 30
Potted Tongue, 3/4s.	1 30
Coffee	
Green Rio.	11 11 1/2
Inferior grades	10 1/2 11
Cereals	
Split Peas, sack 9s	2 50
Pot Barley, sack 9s	2 30
Pearl Barley, sack 9s	3 75
Roll Oatmeal, sack 9s	1 75
Standard Oatmeal, sack 9s.	2 25
Granulated Oatmeal, sack 9s	2 25
Beans (per bushel)	2 10
Cornmeal, sack 9s	1 30
Cornmeal, 1/2sac 49 (per 1/2sac)	0 05
Per pound	
Rice, B.	4 1/2c
Patna	5 1/2c
Rice, Japan	5 1/2c
Sago	4 1/2c
Tapioca	5 1/2c
Cigarettes	
Old Judge	\$7 50
Athlete	5 50
Sweet Caporal	5 50
Sweet Sixteen	5 50
Derby	7 50
T. & B.	5 20
Cured Fish	
Boneless Hake, per lb	05 05 1/2
Codfish, whole cases, 10 lbs.	6 50
Codfish, Pure per lb	7 1/2
Herrings, in half-barrels.	4 00
Digby chicks	16
Dried Fruits	
Currents, new, Prov'l Bbls	05 1/2 5 1/2
Currents, Prov'l Cases	5 1/2 5 1/2
Currents, Prov'l 1/2 Barrels.	05 1/2 5 1/2
Currents, Filatrina, bbls	05 1/2 5 1/2
Currents, Filatrina, cases	05 1/2 6
Currents, cleaned, cases	07 7 1/2
Dates, Cases	07 1/2 08
Figs, Hleme, about 10 lb box.	20 22
Figs, Glove Box, per doz	1 80
Figs, Cooking, S	06 1/2 07
Figs, boxes.	07 1/2 08
Figs, Tappets	05 5 1/2
Figs, Portuguese, boxes	06 1/2 07
Sultana Raisins	10 1/2 11

## Dried Fruits

Raisins, Val., fine, off stalk	Per pound
Raisins, Selected, off stalk	2 50
Raisins, Val. Layers, per box	2 40
Clusters, 3 Crown.	2 25
" 4	2 75
Loose Muscatels, 2 crown	8 1/2
Loose Muscatels, 3 crown	9 00
Loose Muscatels, 4 crown	9 00
London Layers, 20 lb Boxes.	1 90
Apples, Dried.	07 07 1/2
Rvap Apples, finest quality.	07 1/2 08
California Evaporated Fruits	
Peaches, peeled	17 18
Peaches, unpeeled	11 12
Pears	12 1/2 13
Appricots	17 17 1/2
Pitted Plums	11 11 1/2
Nectarines	13 13 1/2
Prunes, 100 to 120.	5 1/2 6 1/2
Prunes, 90 to 100.	5 1/2 6
Prunes, 80 to 90.	6 6 1/2
Prunes, 70 to 80.	6 1/2 6 1/2
Prunes, 60 to 70.	7 7 1/2
Prunes, 40 to 50.	8 8 1/2
Matches	
Telephone	\$1 90
Telephone	4 75
Tiger	4 65
Parlor Matches, Eagle	1 75
Nuts	
Brazils	11 12 1/2
Taragona Almonds	15 15 1/2
Peanuts, roasted	11 11 1/2
Peanuts, green	9 10
Greenhale Walnuts	14 1/2 15
French Walnuts	13 14
Sicily Filberts	13 11
Shelled Almonds	30 35
Syrup	
Extra Bright, per lb.	36 3 1/2c
Medium, per lb.	2 1/2c 3c
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins	75 7 00
Glucose, brls	3 1/2
" half-brls.	3 1/2
Molasses, per gal. (New Ori.)	37c 40c
" Porto Rico	45 46
" Barbados	50 53
Sugar	
Extra Standard Gran.	5 30
German Granulated	5 30
Extra Ground	7c
Powdered	6 1/2c
Lumps	6 6 1/2c
Bright Yellow Sugar	4 60
American	13 1/2c 15c
Maple Sugar	13 1/2c 15c
Salt	
Rock Salt	1 1/2c 1 1/2c
Per barrel	
Common, fine	2 00
Common, coarse	2 00
Dairy, 100 3	3 25 3 50
Dairy, 60-5	3 15 3 30
Per Sack	
Dairy, white duck sack	00 45
Common, fine jute sack	00 43
Spices	
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins	75 90
Per pound	
Allspice, whole	18 20
Allspice, pure ground	18 22
Allspice, compound	15 18
Cassia, whole	18 20
Cassia, pure ground	20 25
Cassia, compound	13 18
Cloves, whole	17 20
Cloves, pure ground	25 30
Cloves, compound	18 20
Pepper, black, whole	16 17
Pepper, black, pure ground	18 20
Pepper, black, compound	10 13
Pepper, white, whole	23 25
Pepper, white, pure ground	28 30
Pepper, white, compound	18 20
Pepper, Cayenne	25 30
Ginger, whole, Jamaica	25 30
Ginger, whole, Cochian.	20 25
Ginger, pure ground	23 25
Ginger, compound	15 25
Nutmegs, (per pound).	55 80
Mace (per pound)	75 80
Teas	
China Blacks—	Per pound
Choice	35 40
Medium	25 35
Common	13 20
Indian An—	Per pound
Choice	33 40
Medium	25 32
Common	16 32
Young Hysons—	Per pound
Choice	35 45
Medium	28 35
Common	22 30
Japan—	Per pound
Finest May Picking	35 40
Choice	30 35
Fine	25 30
Good Medium	20 25
Common	15 20

## Tobacco

T. & B. 3s, 4s, and 9s Cads.	Per pound
Lily, 8s, Cads.	00 70
Crecent, 8s, Cads.	00 61
T. & B. Black Chewing, Ss or 16.	00 58
T. & B. Mahogany Chewing, Ss or 16.	00 61 1/2
T. & B. 1-12 pkg, cut	00 61 1/2
T. & B. 1-5 pkg, cut	00 85
T. & B. in pouches, 1-4	00 86
T. & B. in 1-5 tins	00 06
T. & B. in 1/2 tins	00 56
T. & B. in 1-12 tins	00 81
Orinoco, 1-12 pkg.	00 81
Orinoco, 1-5 tins	00 00
Orinoco, 1/2 tins	00 86
Tucketts Cherub Cigarette	1-12
Brier, 8s, Cads	00 63
Derby, 3s and 4s, Cads.	00 65
Derby 8s, Cads	00 65
P. & W. Chewing, Cads.	00 65
P. & W. Chewing, Butts.	00 65
Tonka, 1/2 tins	00 00
Tonka, 1-12 pkg	00 88
Canadian Leaf, 50 lb bales, very bright	21 15
Lower grades	12 1/2 21
Dominion Tobacco Co.'s List.	
BRIGHT CHEWING PLUG.	
Pomunery, 10 1/2 s	72
Sminax, Bars 3 s	62
Holly, 3 s and 15 s	55
Caramel, Bars, 7s.	43
BLACK CHEWING PLUG.	
Black Bass, Bars, 10 1/2 s.	40
Black Bass, 6 s and 8 s.	43
BRIGHT SMOKING PLUG.	
Virgin Gold, 3 1/2 s.	68
Virgin Gold, 9 s	68
Bulls Eye, 3 1/2 s and 5 s	40
Empire Tobacco Co.'s List	
SMOKING.	
Empire, 3s @ 4 1/2	37
Golden Plug, 3s	53
Royal Oak, 3s	53
Something Good, 7s	54
CHEWING.	
Currency, Bars, 10 1/2 s.	40
Currency, 6s	40
Free Trade, 8s	45
Snowshoe, Bars, 12s	45
Wooden Ware	
Pails, 2 hoop clear.	1 95 2 00
Pails, wire hoop.	2 20 2 25
Pails, Star fibre	3 50
Tubs, No. 0 common	11 50 12 00
Tubs, No. 1 common	10 00 10 50
Tubs, No. 2 common	8 00 8 50
Tubs, No. 3 common	6 75 7 25
Per nest.	
Tubs, nests (3)	1 90 2 00
Tubs, wire hoop (3)	2 25 2 40
Per doz.	
Tubs, fibre, No. 0	16 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 1	14 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 2	12 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 3	10 50
Per nest	
Tubs, fibre, (3)	3 20
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (2)	3 50
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (3)	90
Washboards, Globe, per doz.	2 00
" Perfection, per doz.	2 20 2 25
CURED MEATS, ETC.	
Lard, pure leaf, steam rend.	\$ 1 90
Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb. tins, per case of 60 lbs.	6 00
Lard, pure, Tierces, per lb	9
Lard, soft tins	9 1/2
Lard, Compound, 20 lb pails	9 1/2
Lard, Compound, 3 and 5 lb. tins, case 60 lbs.	9 1/2
Smoked Meats	
Hams	13
Breakfast bacon, bellies	12 12 1/2
Breakfast bacon, backs	10 11
Spiced rolls	9 1/2
Shoulders	9 1/2
Pic-nic Hams	9 1/2
Dry Salt Meats	
Long clear bacon	9
Shoulders	8 1/2
Short Clear	9 1/2
Backs	9 1/2
Barrel Pork	
Heavy mess	15 00
Short cut	15 00
Meat Sundries	
Fresh pork sausage, lb	8
Bologna sausage, lb.	7
Pickled pigs feet, kits.	\$ 1 40
Sausage casings, lb.	30

## DRUGS

Following are prices for parcel lots with usual reductions for unbroken packages.

Alum, lb	3 1/2 4 1/2
Alcohol, gal.	5 25 5 50
Bleaching Powder, lb.	05 07
Bluestone, lb.	09 10
Borax	09 10
Bromide Potash	75 80
Camphor	80 85
Camphor, ounces	85 92
Carbolic Acid	45 50
Castor Oil	13 20
Chlorate Potash	18 20
Citric Acid	55 60
Copperas	03 04
Cocaine, oz	6 10 6 50
Cream Tartar, lb	25 32
Cloves	20 25
Epsom Salts	03 04
Extract Logwood, bulk	12 16
Extract Logwood, boxes	17 24
Formalin, per lb	40 45
German Quinine	10 15
Glycerine, lb.	25 25
Ginger, Jamaica	30 35
Ginger, African	15 20
Howard's Quinine, oz.	60 65
Iodine	4 75 5 00
Insect Powder	30 35
Morphia, sul.	2 60 2 25
Opium	4 50 5 10
Oil, olive, Pure	2 10 2 75
Oil, U.S. Salad	1 10 1 25
Oil, lemon, super	1 60 1 80
Oil, Peppermint	80 2 10
Oil, Cod liver, gal.	25 1 5
Oxalic Acid	14 15
Potass Iodide	3 75 4 00
Salts, German, lb.	75 30
Salitre	05 10
Sal Rochelle	25 30
Shellac	25 30
Sulphur Flowers	3 1/2 4 1/2
Sulphur Roll, keg.	3 1/2 4 1/2
Soda Bicarb, keg of 112 lbs.	3 75 4 01
Sal Soda	2 00 3 00
Tartaric Acid, lb.	40 40
Strychnine, pure crystals, oz.	75 85
LEATHER	
Per pound	
Harness, oak	45
Harness, union oak No. 1.	36
Harness, union oak No. 1 R.	45
Harness, hemlock No. 1, anchor brand	46
Harness, hemlock No. 1 R anchor brand	35
Harness, hemlock country tannage, No. 1 R	31
Russet collar leather, per foot	30
American Oak Sole.	40
Sole, union oak	40
Listowell, sole	25 30
Penetang, sole	25 30
Acton Sole	25 30
B. F. French calf	15 1 3/4
B. F. French kip	95 1 15
Canada calf	65 80
Canada Calf, Niagara	80 90
Niagara Brand Kip	65 75
Wax upper	42 46
Grain upper per foot	10 10
Kangaroo, per foot	30 40
Dolgora, per foot	25 40
Dolgora, bright	30 40
Bag sheepskins, per doz.	5 60
FUEL.	
Coal	
These are retail prices, delivered to consumers in the city, or 50c per ton less at the yards, except western anthracite nut size, which is 40c less at the yards.	
Per ton	
Pennsylvania anthracite—	
Stove, nut or lump	10 00
Pea size	8 00
Canadian anthracite, stove	9 00
Canadian anthracite, nut	7 50
Lethbridge bituminous	8 10
Crow's Nest bituminous	5 25
U. S. bituminous	7 50 8 00
Souris Lignite	4 50
Souris, car lots F.O.B. mines	1 50
Blossburg Smthing	9 30
Cordwood	
These are prices for car lots, on track Winnipeg.	
Per cord	
Tamarac	4 25 4 25
Pine	4 00 4 25
Spruce	3 00 3 00
Poplar, green or dead, cut.	2 60 3 00
Manitoba Oak	4 25 4 50
Birch	4 25 4 50
Minnesota Hard Maple	5 00
Minnesota Oak	4 25 4 50
Slabs	85 3 00