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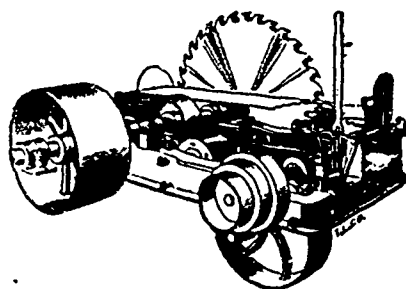
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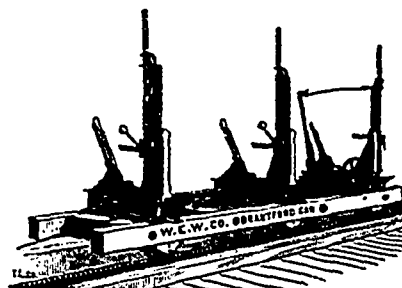
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WINNIPEG, NOVEMBER 19, 1898.

## New Postal Regulations.

Ottawa, Nov. 14.—The postal union convention concluded at Washington in June, 1897, will come into force on January 1 next and the quarterly supplement of the Postal Guide issued today enumerates the changes made in the postal regulations in force between Canada and other countries of the universal postal union. Amongst other things it is permissible to print engravings or advertisements on the front side of post cards, provided they do not interfere with the address. Cards may be addressed with a small adhesive label and the sender may put his name on the front. Articles of glass, liquids, oils, fatty substances, and dry products, are admitted as samples provided they are put up as directed. Specimens for natural history such as arled or preserved animals or plants, geological specimens, etc., not for commercial purposes, are admitted to sample post. Fac simile copies of manuscript or typewriting may be sent as printed matter at a rate of one cent per two ounces, provided not less than twenty identical copies are handed in at the post office at one time and are not simply dropped into the receiver. It is provided that articles sent at the printed matter rate may bear certain words in writing. Commercial papers, samples and printed matter may be enclosed in one package up to an aggregate weight of four pounds six ounces. Provision is made that a postmaster in one country may redirect a letter received from another country, upon the application of sender or postmaster where the letter was posted. Letters mailed on vessels at sea may be prepaid by postage stamps of the country whose flag the ship carries. Spe-

cial postage stamps of temporary validity, issued in any country, cannot be used for prepayment of international correspondence.

The imperial penny postal rate, which will come into effect on Christmas Day, will be applicable to letters passing between Canada, Great Britain, British India, Newfoundland, and the following African protectorates: British East Africa, Uganda, Zanzibar, British Central Africa, Niger Coast Protectorate, and the Niger company's territory. It is hoped that other portions of the empire will have completed arrangements for adopting this reduced rate at Christmas or shortly thereafter.

Notice is given of the withdrawal of the statutory privilege of free transmission of Canadian newspapers, and the imposition on January 1 of one-quarter cent per pound, and on July 1 of one-half cent per pound.

After January 1, 1899, money orders may be drawn in Canada for payment at Japanese postoffices at Chemulpo, Fusan, Seoul, Yuens and Mukho, in Korea, and in like manner at those offices for payment in Canada.

## Boots and Shoes.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: Manufacturers for the regular trade are fairly busy on spring orders and a few sorting ones; but those who make for jobbers are still quiet, although we learn that the cut prices recently offered by Quebec houses have induced a number of jobbers to secure quite a few lines of staple goods. We are informed that the split bunkums offered to firms here at 67 1-2c to 68c cannot be made here under 80c first cost. The amount of spring orders so far taken compares favorably with those of a year ago.

## Southern Manitoba.

In a previous letter on this subject the reader was left at the town of Souris in Western Manitoba, the point at which the Glenboro and Souris branches of the Canadian Pacific join each other. It is proposed in this one to deal with the towns along this Glenboro branch, which are among the most important and prosperous in Manitoba. The country tributary to this road is well settled, has been for twenty years in places, and the people are well used to and equipped for the life of a prairie farmer. They are mostly Canadians or British born people, although there is a settlement of Icelanders in the neighborhood of Glenboro, and a scattering of Germans and French at other points. As a result of their long residence and intelligent farming the settlers in most of these parts are quite well-to-do, and some of them are rich. There are many fine homes to be seen, good stables and barns, horses and vehicles, and many of the farmers have money out at interest.

This year the crops have yielded well and with the exception of the loss arising from the late threshing and damp grain the results of the season's operations have been highly satisfactory. The yield in places was unusually large.

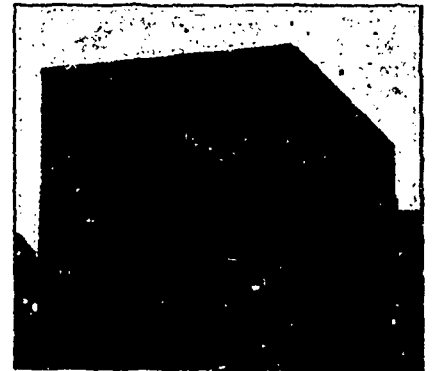
The towns are the best indication of the prosperous condition of the country. Like many of those which have been described in previous letters

they have been extensively improved in the building line this year. New elevators have been added at several points, and new stores, dwelling houses, etc., have also appeared in goodly numbers.

Between Souris and Glenboro there are several small villages and one more important place, Stockton, which has several stores and a thriving business community.

Glenboro, once the terminus of this branch and the centre of a well settled and prosperous district, shows unmistakable signs of prosperity this fall: It has a population of about 500 people, four general stores, blacksmith shops, implement agencies, tailors, photographers, hardware stores, lumber yards, a mill, newspaper, bakery, butcher shop, drug store, furniture store, law and insurance offices, a branch of the Union bank, elevators, etc. One of the evidences of prosperity this year is the new store of Fumerton & Co., general merchants, a cut of which is shown herewith. This store is 32x75 feet, two storeys high and built of solid brick. It has a brick warehouse annexed, 20x32 feet in dimension. A basement of stone and cement extends under the whole building. The heating is done with hot air furnaces and the lighting with an acetylene gas plant.

East of Glenboro, the next town is



Fumerton & Co's New Store at Glenboro, Man.

Cypress River. This is also showing every sign of progress and development this year. Several very substantial buildings have been erected and the result of this season's harvest will, no doubt, be a still further increase in the business establishments.

Holland, ten miles east of Cypress River, is a divisional point on this line of railroad, and has a flourishing business community. Its population is estimated at 200. The main features in connection with the development of the town has been the enlargement of some of the stores and substantial increases by some of the merchants in their stocks of goods. James Holland, stationer and fancy goods dealer, has increased his investment in this way this year, so also has W. H. Ross. Last year this enterprising merchant added forty feet to his flour, stone store and has now an establishment which has few equals in the province, even in Winnipeg. Fumerton & Son are doing a large general business in what used to be T. H. Pentland's store. During the summer C. Hielert, proprietor of the roller flour mill at this point, has improved his plant by adding a new sixty-horse power engine, a condensing heater of twenty-five barrels capacity, and a new set of polishing brushes, besides completely overhauling the plant.

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Treherne is the next town east. This has been made famous by the almost complete destruction of its business buildings by fire some months ago, and the rapid manner in which these have been replaced by new and better buildings. The blow was a severe one to the town, but it met the loss bravely and will no doubt rapidly recover the lost ground. This fire made it difficult to do business for a while, and consequently the merchants will not be able to show such a large aggregate turnover this year as they would otherwise have done, but the season's farming operations have been successful, and aside from the loss arising from the fire, the year's results will no doubt, be satisfactory.

Rathwell and Elm Creek are points of minor importance lying between Treherne and Carman. They each have the nucleus of a business community, and will no doubt, rise in time to the dignity of towns. At Elm Creek the train switches onto a spur line which runs due south for about twelve miles into Carman, the principal town on this branch. Here there is a population of somewhere in the neighborhood of 1,000, and its limit extends from the railroad across the Boyne river, covering a large amount of ground. Its business concerns include several old and well established firms, for it must be understood that Carman is one of

points and places of business on the Glenboro line. If space would permit a great deal of statistical matter could be given showing the position of these towns now, compared with previous years, but figures are often wearisome and unless carefully perused do not convey very much to the mind of the reader. The general remarks made regarding each place are based upon the results of careful inquiry and observation. All the information gathered by The Commercial's representative while visiting these places goes to show that they have made substantial advances in every direction during the past year and that notwithstanding several temporary setbacks these sections of the province are now upon a footing which justly entitles them to rank among the leading agricultural districts of, not Manitoba only, but the whole of Canada.

### A Grand Building.

Many handsome additions have been made to the business blocks in Winnipeg this year, of which the new wholesale hardware warehouse of Geo. D. Wood & Co. takes first place. This magnificent structure is situated on the corner of McDermot avenue and Arthur street, having a frontage on

one sheet of plate glass each. The roof, which is of galvanized iron, inclines to the centre from all four sides. The timber work throughout the structure is on the same massive plan as the walls, and designed to carry the heavy weight which accumulates on the floors of a wholesale hardware warehouse, without any strain whatever.

The main entrance to the building is on McDermot avenue, by a wide, massive doorway and large vestibule. The entrance is finished in British Columbia fir, and glass partition separates the approach to the stairway from the main warehouse floor, with a doorway leading to the main floor. The main or ground floor is filled with heavy goods, including nails, iron tubing, bar steel, axes, spikes, rope, wire, etc. Special racks have been constructed for storing tubing and bar steel. On this floor is located the shipping office.

One large receiving door opens to Arthur street and two doors open to the archway from one side. Across the archway is the iron house, where a large stock of iron of all kinds is carried; also a separate apartment for the oil vault. The latter apartment is separated by a heavy solid wall from the other apartments.



Flour Mill and Row of Grain Elevators at Carman, Man.

the oldest settlemen's in Manitoba. The general merchants are as follows: D. J. Graham & Co.; Hemenway & Lawtson, E.L.B. McLeod, the A. MacDonald Co. (also of Winnipeg), Thomas B. Melke, Staples & Carthew, Toombs & Kirkpatrick and Mrs. John Taylor. Besides these, Butchart & Somersall and R. G. Hamilton deal in hardware, J. W. Jameson in stationery, etc., Merry & Williams in agricultural implements, and a number of others are handling smaller lines. There are two banks, the Union Bank of Canada and the Bank of Hamilton, the latter of which was opened last year. Carman is well supplied with elevators and has a flour mill, the property of The Lake of the Woods Milling company. It has also a good public school equipment, besides churches and all the other features of a well-organized town. So, of course, have all the other places which have been mentioned in this review. The farming community around Carman is a particularly rich and prosperous one. Some of the farmers have been here for 20 years or more, and have in that time accumulated considerable of this world's goods around them.

Between Carman and Winnipeg there are several small business points such as Fannystelle, Starbuck and Headingley, each of which serve well settled farming district.

This in brief is a list of the principal

the avenue of 73 feet, and 132 feet on Arthur street. The depth of the building at the rear is 99 feet. This location is right in the centre of the wholesale district. A driveway extends through the building from Arthur street. This drive-way is arched over, as shown in the accompanying engraving, and gives great convenience for receiving and shipping goods, which can thus be done under cover. Several shipping and receiving doors open onto the drive-way or archway from either side.

The building has four floors and basement. It is built of Selkirk stone to a height of seven feet above the grade line and above this of white brick. The building is a very massive and strong structure. No pains were spared to make the walls and foundation sure and solid. In fact the walls are quite strong enough to carry three or four additional stories, and by the way the business of the firm has been expanding of late, this additional space may be required sooner than might be expected. The windows on the ground floor on both streets are of

Three doors open to the archway from this side besides a separate door for the oil vault.

The basement is used for storing horseshoes, building paper, cement, wire, lead, fire brick, grindstones, paints, oakum, glass, nails, etc.

In the basement is located the ten horse power electric motor used for operating the elevator, which reaches all floors. The elevator is capable of carrying 4,000 pounds, and is on the more modern principle. A 30 h. p. boiler surrounded by a concrete floor, is also located in the basement for heating the big building by steam on the one pipe system, with radiators. The vaults extend from the basement upward, giving vault accommodation on three floors.

The stairway from the main entrance leads directly to the offices on the second floor. The offices and sample room are ranged along the front and down the Arthur street side of this floor. First comes the private office of Mr. Geo. D. Wood, then the general office and a fine, well lighted sample room occupies the corner, next the manager's office, and finally the entry office. The offices are handsomely fitted up in British Columbia fir. A particularly pleasing feature is the handsome metallic ceiling, supplied by the Metallic Roofing Co., of Toronto. A wide passageway leads

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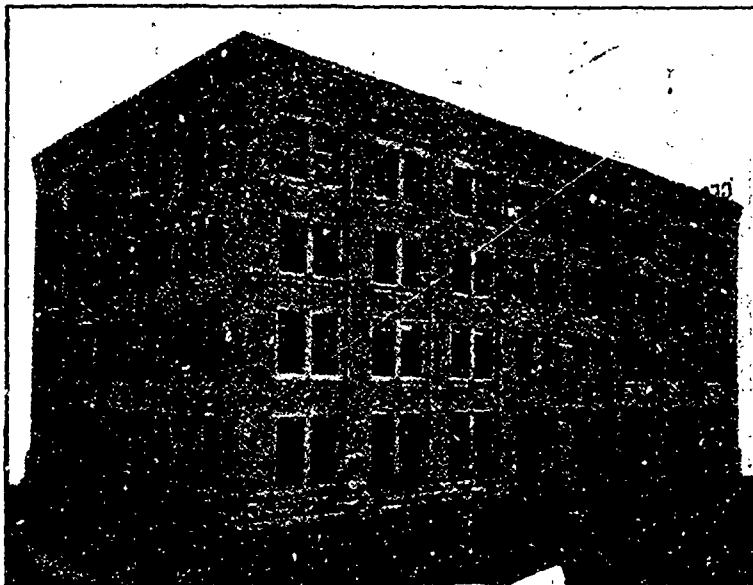
along in front of the offices, on the opposite side of which is a very handsome closed cabinet, used for armory and fine cutlery, etc., where goods can be kept free from dust and rust. A heavy oak railing extends across the building in front of the cabinet, separating it from the passageway in front of the offices. The balance of this floor is taken up with the large stock of general shelf goods, which is arranged in shelving extending across the building and along the walls. A big stock of bolts and screws fill the spaces along one side, and a considerable space is devoted to hinges, brass, malleable, wrought and steam filter s goods. In the rear of this floor is situated the packing room. Here is located a dormant scale, of a capacity of 4,000 pounds. Also tables for laying out orders, giving 750 square feet of table space. A hanging shelf is used for empty boxes, which are therefore always at hand for the convenience of packers.

The third floor is very similar to the one below, containing as it does many tiers of shelving across the building, besides 600 square feet of hanging

most noticeable to the eye in passing through the building, have been mentioned. To enumerate even approximately the various lines carried in stock would take up altogether too much space.

In passing through the building, one is struck with the vast space taken up with goods, and also with the many conveniences and devices for storing goods, so that they can be easily reached and inspected. Provision has been made for both gas and electric lighting, so that light is always ensured, should one or the other plant meet with an accident.

This handsome structure is certainly a credit to the city, and speaks eloquently for what has already been attained in the wholesale trade here, as well as for the future of this western metropolis. The building would do credit to a much older and larger place than Winnipeg. Indeed, commercial men from the east have stated that the warehouse is not surpassed by any wholesale hardware warehouse in any of the trade centres of Eastern Canada.



New Warehouse of Geo. D. Wood & Co., Winnipeg

shelving. A whip rack occupies a large space along one side, of which line a large stock is carried. The goods on this floor include belting, blacksmiths' supplies, hose, bells, brushes, mixed paints, twines, harvest tools, spades, shovels, wirecloth, poultry netting, wire goods and belting, perforated zinc, stamped and pieced tinware, granite ware, etc. A specially constructed rack has been supplied for belting and perforated zinc. Also a rack for saws, which gives very convenient accommodation for these goods.

One more ascent leads to the fourth and last floor. Here is found great piles of churns, washing machines, lamp chimneys, bent stuff, brooms, wooden ware, plasterers' hair, bellows, handles, waste, galvanized pails and tubs. The pump rack in the rear of this floor supplies a very convenient arrangement for the large stock of iron pumps of all kinds here stored. The rack has a capacity of two car loads. The firm has the sole agency here for the celebrated Barnes pumps. Of course, only a few of the lines

**Customs Collections.**

Following is the customs statement for the port of Winnipeg, for the month of October, 1898, as compared with October, 1897:

	1897.	1898.
Exported ... ..	\$134,722	\$214,738
Entered for consumption, dut.	237,610	278,573
Entered for consumption, free	79,771	157,122
<b>Total for consumption ... ..</b>	<b>\$317,381</b>	<b>\$435,695</b>
Duty collected ... ..	\$77,179.09	\$91,604.64

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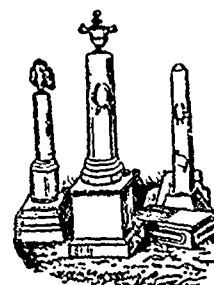
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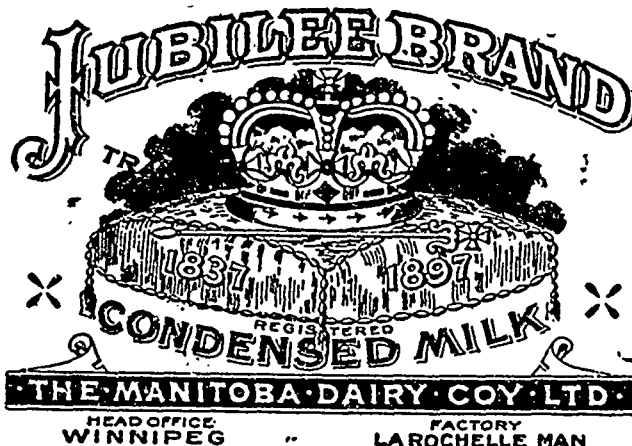
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As a result of this consolidation it has been decided to establish a wholesale fish business in Winnipeg. Offices and warehouses are being fitted up on Thistle street, near Main, and a full stock of fresh and cured fish, etc., of all kinds will be carried, with the object of establishing a straight wholesale trade here in this branch. It is probable that Mr. Reid will be the manager here of the business.

The export business in Manitoba fish will be continued, and the company will control a line of cold storage warehouses, boats and general fishing plant, which will enable the new company to handle this important Manitoba industry to better advantage than ever before. Manitoba white and other fish now have a large sale in eastern cities, even to New York, and also in all the large centres south.

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**Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.**

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

- Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, 92½c.
- Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.55; Bakers, \$2.35.
- Bran—Per ton, \$9.00.
- Shorts—Per ton, \$11.00.
- Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 38c for new.
- Barley—Nominal at about 32@34c.
- Flax Seed—Prices to farmers, country points, 60c per bushel.
- Butter—Dairy. Shippers buying at 14@16c, and 20c paid for creamery at the factory.
- Cheese—1½c paid to factories.
- Eggs—Fresh cold storage stock, 18c; lined same.
- Beef—City dressed, fresh, 4@4½c.
- Mutton—5@6c.
- Hogs—Dressed, 5@5½c.
- Veal—5@6c.
- Lambs—6@7c.
- Cattle—Butchers 2@2½; export 2½@3½c.
- Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.50 per 100 lbs for best bacon.
- Sheep—2½c off cars here; lambs, 2½@3c.
- Seneca Root—18@20c lb.
- Hides—Green city hides, 7c, for No. 1.
- Hay—Baled, on track, \$6.00 @ 6.50.
- Potatoes—35@40c per bushel.
- Wool, 8@9½c for unwashed fleece.
- Poultry—Chickens, 8@9c lb; turkeys, 11@12½c; geese, 9c; ducks, 9c.

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**Winnipeg Clearing House.**

The clearing house returns this week, compared with the corresponding week in previous years, show as follows:

Week ended Nov. 17, 1898.....	\$1,536,604
Corresponding week, 1897.....	3,301,495
1895.....	2,053,571

Following shows the bank clearings at Winnipeg, by months, for three years:

	1898	1897	1896
January .....	6,347,168	5,009,819	4,977,200
February .....	5,517,000	3,851,000	4,052,000
March .....	5,963,000	4,289,000	4,256,000
April .....	6,740,000	4,162,000	4,032,000
May .....	8,693,314	5,014,786	4,226,201
June .....	7,397,000	5,531,000	4,094,000
July .....	6,316,238	5,616,603	4,971,277
August .....	6,180,375	6,298,574	4,616,959
September .....	6,414,551	8,015,201	4,610,706
October .....	9,347,673	12,791,879	7,585,172

**Financial Notes.**

Victoria clearing house returns for the week ending November 15th were \$591,868.

B. Willson, manager of the Bank of Hamilton, at Winnipeg, left this week on a trip to British Columbia.

The Bank of Montreal has opened a branch at Greenwood, B. C., under the temporary charge of G. A. Henderson.

The Bank of Hamilton will open an agency at Plum Coulee, Man., which will be under the direction of Mr. Russell, manager of the bank's branch at Winkler, another point in the same district.

The village of Rapid City, Man., which went out of existence some years ago as a corporation, on account of financial difficulties, is to be reorganized. The citizens now feel able to grapple with the situation and are applying to the provincial government with this object in view.

There appears to have been considerable competition in the opening of bank branches at Greenwood, one of the new British Columbia towns. The Bank of British North America and the Bank of Commerce appeared on the scene about the same time, and in the rush to secure accounts, a billiard room was turned into a banking office, with the tables for counters, etc.

The city council of Victoria, B. C., finds a surplus of \$33,223 at its disposal, the revenue for the current year having exceeded expectations, and the expenditures being kept below the estimates. It has been decided, therefore, to expend part of this sum on the enterprises for which the ratepayers recently refused to allow money to be borrowed; including waterworks improvements and a new bridge at Rock Bay.

**Manitoba Oatmeal**

The Winnipeg Free Press gave the following comment on oatmeal in its market column one day this week: "It seems strange that the United States article can compete with our own production, after paying freight to this country from Iowa. Manitoba oatmeal sells for five cents per sack less than United States goods because it is of inferior quality. The difference is not caused by any lack of quality in the raw material, but

in the milling, the local goods containing black specks and hulls."

The writer of this item shows complete ignorance of local commercial conditions as well as gross ignorance of the quality of Manitoba meal. It is not at all strange that imported meal has been selling for some time in Manitoba, but it is passing strange that one who would undertake to prepare market reports for a journal of any kind, should be so ignorant of the local commercial situation.

United States oatmeal has been selling in Manitoba freely for some time, first on account of the failure of the oat crop of Manitoba last year; and secondly on account of the tariff discrimination, which imposes a much higher duty on oats than on the manufactured product. The oat crop of last year was practically a failure in Manitoba. Very few oats were obtainable at any price, and the few marketed were very poor quality. There was not a sufficient supply for feed purposes of all qualities, much less of choice grain suitable for milling purposes. A large number of ear loads of corn were imported from the United States to supply the deficiency of feed stuffs caused by the scarcity of oats. Oats were selling in Winnipeg for feed purposes at as high as 47 and 48 cents per bushel for ear lots, while the Iowa oatmeal mills were buying them at 18 to 20 cents per bushel. Under such conditions it is not strange that the Manitoba mills were compelled to close down and allow the southern millers to supply this market. The imported meal was not sold "in competition" with the Manitoba commodity. There was no competition. The southern millers had the market to themselves. Owing to the tariff discrimination referred to, the Manitoba millers were not able to bring in oats to mill here, the duty being much higher on the raw material than on the manufactured article.

Now as to the quality of Manitoba meal, it is decidedly superior to a great deal of the imported meal which has been brought to Manitoba during the past season. Some fairly good meal has been brought in, but much of it would be classed as poor, compared with Manitoba meal. The small quantity of meal made here from last year's oat crop was much poorer quality than usual, owing to the exceptionally poor quality of the oat crop, which was the worst ever harvested since oatmeal milling became an industry here. The quantity made, however, was so small that it did not cut any figure in the market. With an average oat crop to work upon, the quality of Manitoba meal will average better than the imported meal, which has been sold in the Winnipeg market for the past year.

The Manitoba oat crop this year is a great deal better than that of last year, but the harvest has been so delayed by unfavorable weather that the local millers have not been able to get a sufficient supply of oats so far to fill their orders. If they could get delivery of oats in sufficient quantities they would soon stop importing. Not a ton of imported meal could come in here under normal conditions. It is not a matter of quality at all, as the Free Press reports would make it appear, but a result solely of the failure of last year's oat crop.

Some Manitoba meal from the "w" crop is now beginning to come in and is giving every satisfaction. E. Nicholson, commission agent Winnipeg,

who has been one of the principal importers of United States meal, says that the new crop of Manitoba meal is giving excellent satisfaction. Bags of the Manitoba and imported meal were opened in his warehouse and the comparison was decidedly favorable to the Manitoba article, which was entirely free from hulls and other impurities.

**Grocery Trade Notes.**

It is reported that the crop of Fard dates is short.

Cables report an advance of 2s in the price of Valencia shelled almonds.

The crop of figs in Smyrna is less than 25 per cent. of the ordinary output.

Prices for nutmegs are advancing in foreign markets, and rumor says Singapore black and white pepper will also advance.

The San Francisco market for canned salmon is firm. The pack is estimated there at 900,000 cases less than last year.

Stocks of Japan tea in primary markets are low and in consequence prices have been advanced one cent per pound.

As a result of the use of a new raisin seeder invented by W. Northrop, of Toronto, and which has become very popular, Toronto wholesale houses are advertising seeded raisins in cartoons as one of their specialties.

Those who follow our grocery prices will have noticed the increase reported last week in dried apple prices. This is due to excessive competition among exporters. 4-1-2c is said to be the ruling price in eastern markets, but as high as 4-3-4c has been paid by jobbers.

Bright & Johnston, Winnipeg, expect to receive the first car of new season California naval oranges on Monday or Tuesday next. This will be fully a month earlier than usual. The car is being made up by selecting the ripest fruit from a number of Riverside orchards.

The price of all grades of domestic refined sugars at New York has been advanced one-eighth of a cent a pound. This makes the price of granulated 5-1-8 cents a pound or 4.84 cents net, exclusive of trade discounts and is the first general advance since the beginning of the cutting of prices between the American Sugar Refining company and outside refiners.

The Winnipeg market is a very much larger thing than it used to be some years ago. Evidences to this effect are frequently noticeable. Where broken lots were formerly handled, ear lots are now the rule, and commodities which formerly moved in ear lots, are now handled almost in train loads. The other day Bright & Johnston received a full car of honey from Brighton, Ontario, which is believed to be the first straight car of honey ever handled here.

Canned tomatoes are in a comparatively strong position this fall and when we take into consideration the fact that in Canada the consumption of these goods has largely increased during the past year and is likely to still further increase as a result of the demand from the British Columbia and Yukon mining districts, it looks as if the quotations might be still further advanced before next season's pack is on the market.

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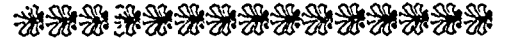
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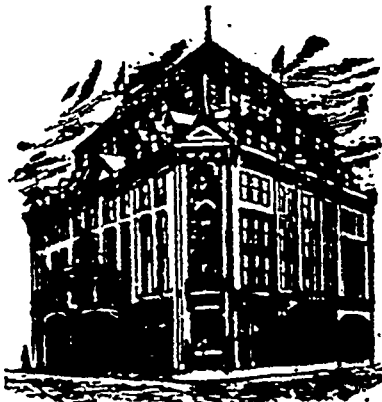
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Tin—Lamb and Flagg, 56 and 28 lb ingots, per lb 21@22c.

Tin Plates—Charcoal plates, I C, 10 x 14, 12 x 12 and 14 x 20, \$4.50@4.75; I X, same size box, \$5.75@6; I C, charcoal, 20 x 23, 112 sheets to box, \$8.00@8.50; I X, box, 20x23, 112 sheets, \$9.50@10.

Terné Plates—I C, 20x 28, \$8 @ \$9.50. Iron and Steel—Bar iron, 100 lbs., base price, \$2.05 band iron, 100 lbs., \$2.65@2.75; Swedish iron, 100 lbs, \$5.25 @6; sleigh shoe steel, 2.50@2.75; best cast tool steel, lb., 9@11c; imitation Russian sheet, 7@8c; genuine Russian sheet, lb., 12@13c.

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

Canada Plates—Garth and Blaina, 3.00 @ \$3.15.

Galvanized Iron—American, 20 guage, \$3.50; 22 and 24 guage, \$3.75; 26 guage, \$4.00; 28 guage, \$4.25 100 lbs.

Iron pipe—Quoted as follows per 100 feet: ½ inch, \$2.50; ¾ inch, \$2.75; 1 inch, \$3; 1 ¼ inch, \$4; 1 ½ inch, \$5; 1 ¾ inch, \$7; 2 inch, \$8.50; 2 ½ inch, \$11.50.

Lead—Pig, per lb., 4 ½ to 5c.

Sheet Zinc—In casks, \$6.75 lb., broken lots \$7.00.

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

Ammunition—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American discount 40 per cent; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 and 5; rim fire military, American, net list; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent, shot shells, 12 guage, \$6 @ 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 6½c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6½c. Robin Hood powder, 17 lb kegs, \$10; ½ kegs, 4½ lbs, \$3; Canister, 9 oz., 60c. Loaded shells, 12 guage, soft shot, \$20 per 1,000. No. 10 guage, \$23.00 per 1,000.

Dupont Powder—Dupont Rifle FFg, 25-lb keg, \$5.00, 12½ lb keg, \$2.75, cases of 4 6½ lb kegs, \$6.60, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$8.50, cases of 48 ½ lb canisters, \$9.25; Dupont Rifle FFFg, 25 lb keg, \$5.25, 12½ lb keg, \$3.00, cases of 4 6½ lb kegs, \$7.00, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$9.00, cases of 48 ½ lb canisters, \$9.75; Dominion Rifle, 25 lb keg, \$5.75, 12½ lb keg, \$3, cases of 4 6½ lb kegs, \$7, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$11, cases of 48 ½ lb canisters, \$12; Sea Shooting Fg, 25 lb keg, \$6; Manitoba Sporting, 25 lb keg, \$8.00, 12½ lb keg, \$4.25, cases of 4 6½ lb kegs, \$9.00; cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$13.00; Eagle Ducking, 25 lb keg, \$11.00, 12½ lb keg, \$5.75, cases of 4 6½ lb kegs, \$12.00; Crystal Grain, cases of 4 6½ lb kegs, \$14.00, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$17; Blasting, 25 lb keg, \$3.00. Dupont Smokeless powder, 12½ lbs, \$22.00, 6½ lbs, \$11.25, 3½ lbs, \$5.75, ¼ canisters, \$1.00.

Wire—Galvanized barb, solid, plain, twist, \$2.40 per 100 lbs.; Plain wire and staples, \$2.90.

Axes—Per box, \$8@9.

Nails—Cut, keg, base price, \$2.15 for 20 to 60d., with new classification of extras; common steel wire nails, 4½@6 inch, \$2.35 per keg, with usual extras for smaller sizes

Horse Nails—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List price as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount of above list prices 45 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron shoes, \$3.90; steel shoes, \$4.50 up; Snow shoe, \$4.15 per keg Rope—Sisal, lb., 11c base; manilla, lb., 12½c base; cotton, ½ to ¾ inch and larger, 15c lb.

Building Paper—Anchor brand plain 45c; do tarred 60c; Jubilee plain 57c; do tarred 73c.

**Winnipeg Prices of Paints, Oils, Glass, etc.**

Following are close jobbing prices, as to quantity:

White Lead—Pure, \$6.50 100 lbs; No. 1, \$5.50.

Prepared Paints—Pure liquid colors, gallon \$1.15@1.25.

Dry Colors—White lead, pound, 7c; red lead, kegs, 6c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 2½c; less than barrels, 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 3½c; less than barrels, 4c; Venetian, red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 3½c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb., Paris green, 18@20c; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots, 2½c; less than barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, in casks, 3½c; less quantities 4c lb.

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

Sundries—Glue, sheets, 15c lb; broken, 12½c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 16@25c. Stove gasoline, case, \$3.50; benzine, case, \$3.50. Axle grease, imperial, case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, case, \$3.75; Diamond axle grease, \$2.25 case. Coal tar, barrel, \$7. Portland cement, barrel, \$4@4.25; plaster, barrel \$3.00; plasterers' hair, P. F., 90c bale. Putty, in bladders, barrel lots, 2½c lb., do., in 100 lb kegs, 2½c., do., less than barrels, 1b, 3c. Alabastine, cases of 20 pkgs., \$6.50@7.50 as to color.

Window Glass.—Single glass, first break, 16 to 25 united inches, \$2.20; 26 to 40, \$2.45 per 50 feet boxes; 41 to 50, \$5.20; 51 to 60, \$5.70; 61 to 70, \$6.20 per 100 feet boxes. Large lots can be bought 10c under these quotations per 50 feet.

Linseed Oil—Raw, gal., 55c; boiled, gal., 58c in barrels; less than barrels, 5c gallon extra, with additional charges for cans.

Turpentine—Pure spirits in barrels, 63c; less than barrels, gallon, 65c. An additional charge for packages for small quantities.

Oils—Range about as follows: Black oils, 25@30c gallon; clear machine oils, 27@30c; cylinder oil, 50@75c, as to quality; castor oil, 13c per lb; tanners' or harness oil, 65c; neatsfoot oil, \$1, steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 gallon.

Refined Petroleum—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 17c; crescent, 20½c; oleophene, 21c in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 24½c for cocene and 21½c for sunlight. Straight car lots Silver Star 1c less, other brands 2c less.

**Winnipeg Lumber Prices.**

These prices are retail quotations at Winnipeg, such as contractors and others buy at. The mills quote delivered prices at Winnipeg, plus freight to outside points.

Dimension and Timber—No. 1, 2x4 to 2x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$18.50, 18 ft, \$19.50, 20 ft, \$20.50, 22 ft, \$21.50, 24 ft, \$22.50; 3x6 to 3x12, 4x4 to 4x12, 6x6 to 6x12 and 3x8, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$20.00, 18 ft, \$21.00, 20 ft, \$22.00, 22 ft, \$23.00, 24 ft, \$24.00; 8x10 to 12x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$22.00, 18 ft, \$23.00, 20 ft, \$24.00, 22 ft, \$25.00, 24 ft, \$26.00; 2x4, 10 ft, \$20.50; 2x6

to 2 x 12, 10 ft, \$18.00. No. 2 dimension, \$2.00 less than No. 1. Dimension, 26, 28 and 30 ft, \$26.00. Timber—26, 28 and 30 ft, \$28.00. \$1.00 per M advance on each inch over 12 inch in depth and width. Tamarac dimension same price as pine. Spruce dimension at \$2.00 per M less than pine. Cull plank, all widths at \$12.00 per M. B. C. fir dimension up to 32 feet at \$28.00 per M., 33 to 40 feet, \$30.00, 41 to 60 feet \$36.00. \$1.00 per M extra for each 2 in. over 12 in. in width or depth.

Boards—1st common, red pine, \$25.00, 2nd common, \$18.50, 3rd common, \$16.50; No. 1 cull, \$13.00, No. 2 cull, \$9.00; spruce, \$16.50. \$1.00 per M extra for stock boards. \$2.00 per M less for 6 to 8 ft. and under. \$1.00 per M less for 10 ft. No. 1 box, 14 in. and up, \$30.00, No. 2 box boards, 14 in. and up, \$23.00. Extra dressing \$2.00 per M.

Siding, Flooring and Ceiling—2nd, 4, 5 and 6 inch, white pine, \$36.00; 3rd, 4, 5 and 6 inch white pine, \$28.00; 1st and 2nd, 4, 5 and 6 inch red pine, \$30.00; 3rd, 4, 5 and 6 inch red pine, \$25.00; 4th, 4, 5 and 6 inch, red and white, \$20.00; Cull siding, red and white, \$16.00; B.C. No. 1 and No. 2 edge grain flooring, 3, 4 and 6 inch, \$32.00. \$2.00 per M advance for dressing both sides.

Bevel Siding—No. 1 white pine, \$26.00; No. 2 red and white, \$23.00.

Shiplap—Pine, 6 inch, \$18.00, 8 and 10 inch, \$20.00; Spruce, 8 and 10 inch, \$19.00, 6 inch, \$18.00; cull shiplap, 8 and 10 inch, \$17.00; do., 6 inch, \$14.00.

Shingles—B. C. cedar, per M, No. 1, \$2.75, No. 2, \$2.50; B.C. cedar dimension shingles, \$4.00; B.C. cedar dimension band sawed, \$5.00.

Lath—Pine lath, No. 1, per M, \$3.00, No. 2, \$2.50.

Finishings—1½, 1 and 2 inch—White pine, 1st and 2nd clear, \$65.00, 3rd clear, \$55.00, selects, \$45.00, shops, \$36.00; red pine, clear, \$40.00, selects, \$32.00; B.C. cedar clear, \$50.00; do., over 12 inch, \$55.00; B. C. fir edge grain No. 1 stepping, \$45.00; No. 2, \$40.00; B.C. fir, flat grain, No. 1, \$37.00; No. 2 do., \$32.50; B.C. finishing up to 12 in., \$37.50; do., over 12 inch, \$42.50. \$5 per M advance on 2½ inch and thicker. One inch—White pine, 1st and 2nd clear, \$55.00, 3rd clear, \$48.00, selects, B, \$38.00, selects, C, \$30.00; red pine, clear, \$40.00, selects, \$30.00; B.C. cedar, clear, \$50.00. B.C. fir finishing, \$37.50; do. over 12 inch, \$42.50.

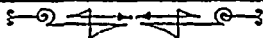
Oak—Red and White—½ sawed, \$45.00; 1st and 2nd, 55.00 to \$65.00; common, \$40.00.

Mouldings and Base—Parting strips, 100 feet lineal, 60c; lattice, ½x1½, 100 feet lineal, 75c, ½x1½, 100 feet lineal, 85c; window and door stop, 1½ inch lineal, \$1.25, ditto, 2 inch lineal, \$1.50; ½ round and ¾ cove, 75c; 1½ inch mould, \$1.50; 2 inch mould, \$1.75; 2½ inch mould, \$2.00; 3 inch mould, \$2.25; 3½ inch mould, \$2.50; 4 inch mould, \$2.75; 4½ inch mould, \$3.00; 5 inch mould, \$3.25; 6 inch mould, \$4.00; 5 inch window stool, 1½ \$4.50; 6 inch window stool, 1½, \$5.25; 4 inch casings, \$2.25; 5 inch casings, \$2.75; 6 inch casings, \$3.25; 8 inch base, \$4.25; 10 inch base, \$5.00; 12 inch base, \$7.00; hand rail, 2x4, \$5.50; wainscot cap, 2½ inch, \$2.35, 3 inch, \$2.75; paper mould, 60c. Moulding made from 1½ stock add 25 per cent; 1½ add 50 per cent. Hardwood mouldings or mouldings to detail at special prices. All shop work at special net prices.

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If you have not yet ordered your stock of Bond's Soap, and you want your customer to get thoroughly acquainted with it before you keep it in stock, if you will send us a list of your customers, we will mail each of them a free sample. We invite every grocer and general merchant to write us for sample, which he would do well to use on his scales, showcases, windows, silver plated articles, to remove ink stains from the counter and desk. Take it home to his wife or mother and get her opinion of it. She can use it on the silver and cutlery without fear of scratching. In fact, it can be used on the most delicate piece of jewelery, or the dirtiest, grimmest kitchen or dairy utensil with equally good results. Every time you sell a bar of Bond's Soap we guarantee you to give complete satisfaction to your customer, both as regards weight, price and above all, **QUALITY**.

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

Table listing various grocery items such as Canned Goods, Dried Fruits, Nuts, Syrups, and Cured Fish with their respective prices.

Table listing various grocery items including Dried Fruits, Nuts, Syrups, Salt, Spices, Teas, and Cured Fish with their respective prices.

Table listing various tobacco and wooden ware items such as Tobacco (Cigs, Pipes) and Wooden Ware (Pails, Tubs) with their respective prices.

CURED MEATS AND LARD

Table listing various cured meats and lard items such as Lard, Smoked Meats, and Dry Salt Meats with their respective prices.

MEAT SUNDRIES

Table listing various meat sundries items such as Fresh pork sausage, Bologna sausage, and Ham with their respective prices.

FRESH FISH, OYSTERS

Table listing various fresh fish and oyster items such as Whitefish, Pickerel, Pike, Salmon, and Shell Oysters with their respective prices.

DRUGS

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

Table listing various drug items such as Alum, Alcohol, Bleaching Powder, and various oils with their respective prices.

LEATHER

Table listing various leather items such as Harness, Do, Black collar leather, and Sole with their respective prices.

FUEL

Table listing various fuel items such as Coal (Pennsylvania anthracite, Stove), and Cordwood with their respective prices.



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ment of Hats and Caps for the spring. His address—Hotel Manitoba, Winnipeg

**Manitoba**

A great deal of fall plowing has been done this year in some districts.

A. T. Andrews, of Gladstone is opening a branch store at Plumus, a town on the Dauphin railroad.

The contents of E. A. Ward's fancy and children's goods store, Winnipeg, were damaged by fire on Wednesday. Loss about \$500.

D. A. Ramsay has purchased the business of Nicholson Bros., general merchants, Dauphin, and is taking Mr. Phillip into partnership.

C. C. Macdonnell, dairy commissioner, of Manitoba, will visit the Dauphin district next week, where he will address a series of meetings. Efforts are being made to establish creameries at Ochre River and Dauphin.

The municipal safe at Altona was blown open on the night of Nov. 14, and about \$2,500 stolen. The money taken includes \$1,100, taxes of the municipality of Rhineland; \$300 of the Northern Elevator company, and \$200 belonging to private parties.

Joseph Grenon & Son, fishermen, Winnipegosis, have sold their business to Hugh Armstrong. The business will be carried on by Mr. Armstrong on an extended scale. Joseph Grenon will go into the fish commission business elsewhere.

John A. Roberts, dairy inspector, Winnipeg, has submitted a list of thirty-seven persons who have paid their license fees, but had signified an intention to cease selling milk, owing to the stringent license regulations.

A charter has been issued to Thos. Hazlewood, Andrew Grievie, Harriet E. Keys, William Leeson and A. L. McLean, all of Winnipeg, giving them power to do business as the Winnipeg Trading Co. They will carry on a general mercantile business. The capital stock is \$2,000.

The estate of Robt. Paul, general merchant, Winnipeg, recently deceased, will be sold by auction on the 21st inst. at 12 o'clock. The estate consists of: groceries, \$1,750.31, dry goods, clothing, furnishings, boots and shoes, \$374.05, fixtures, etc., \$775.95. H. Sandison is administrator of the estate.

Returns of the amount of butter made in the Manitoba creameries this year will show about 1,000,000 lbs. Some creameries reported an increase and others were not so favorable. The average price received was 18 1/2 cents, according to the dairy commissioner.

W. W. Bole, druggist, late of Moose Jaw, has arrived in Winnipeg to take an interest in the Bole Drug Co., as recently announced in The Commercial. Before leaving his late place of residence, Mr. and Mrs. Bole were presented by their friends with a very valuable silver service. The Moose Jaw and Regina papers give Mr. Bole a very flattering send-off, while expressing the general regret felt on account of his departure from his late western home. Mr. Bole took an active interest in public affairs at Moose Jaw. He was president of the board of trade there and for several years served on the school board and in other public capacities, so that he will be greatly missed by that community.

**Northwest Ontario.**

Head & Co., architects, Rat Portage, has been dissolved.

E. Brown is making arrangements to establish a vinegar factory at Rat Portage.

Several parties are out locating the Ontario and Rainy River railway extension, which road is to connect with the Winnipeg and Southeastern, forming a through line to Lake Superior.

**Alberta.**

Geo. Gilmer is erecting a grain warehouse at Edmonton.

Kelly & Beals, of Edmonton, have bought out Jos. Bougie's carriage and blacksmith shop at that place.

A new trading company has been formed at Calgary under the name of the Calgary Clothing Company. They will open for business shortly.

**Again Branching Out.**

J. Y. Griffin & Co., packers and provision merchants, Winnipeg, have made another move in the direction of reaching out for the trade of the west. They have established a branch at Nelson, B. C., which will hereafter be headquarters for their business in the Kootenay. Robert Robertson, who has for some time been connected with the Winnipeg business of the firm, has gone to Nelson to take charge of the new branch. Mr. Robertson is thoroughly posted in the produce trade, and besides this qualification is a very estimable person, and he will certainly become popular in the Kootenay country as soon as he becomes known there. A full stock of the manufactures of the firm will be carried at Nelson, besides a stock of general produce. A smoke house will also be established there at once, and meats from the factory here will be smoked on the spot, so as to be always fresh. It is the intention to make the Nelson business a permanent branch, and the erection of a warehouse is contemplated for the near future.

**Among the Retailers.**

Winnipeg retail dealers in the boot and shoe trade are having considerable trouble in explaining the advance in rubber goods to their customers. Of course the same story has to be gone over to each and every customer, who drops in to buy a pair of rubbers, as said customer is sure to remember that he paid something less for his last pair than he is now asked, and it is often difficult to lead them to accept the statement that the advance in prices is general and necessitated by an increase in the first cost of the goods.

Crude rubber, it is well known to the trade, has been advancing in price for years, and is now held at very high figures. Manufacturers of rubber goods have accordingly been compelled to advance the prices of their wares. Last spring they made an advance on rubber footwear, but this was not put into effect by the retail trade at the time. Winnipeg retailers, however, decided to put the advance into effect on winter goods for the fall trade, and hence the trouble with customers. The advance amounts to about five cents per pair on children's rubbers, ten cents on ladies' sizes and fifteen cents on men's sizes. The advance is a legitimate one, as rubbers have been sold on a close margin, and the retailers are entitled to the prices now asked.

**Territorial Butter.**

The representative of The Commercial at Vancouver, in his report last week, made some disparaging remarks regarding the quality of butter from the government creameries in the Territories, which was being offered in the Vancouver market. This week our British Columbia representative again returns to the same subject. We have taken special pains to find out what there is in these complaints, and learn that they are not without cause. The root of the difficulty appears to lie in the system followed by the management of the government creameries in holding early made goods for the fall and winter market. The government creamery, now giving such unsatisfactory results at Vancouver, is early makes, including June goods. It is not to be expected that this butter could compete in quality with fresh, late made goods from Manitoba and Ontario, which is also offering in the Vancouver market. The difficulty is further aggravated by the lack of proper storage accommodation in the British Columbia markets. Creamery butter is a very delicate commodity, and will deteriorate very rapidly in quality if improperly stored. Butter that has been held in cold storage for four or five months, will deteriorate more rapidly than fresh goods which have not been so held. The Commercial has always consistently advocated the marketing of butter at current values, while it is fresh and sweet. Sometimes a better price can be realized by holding, but it is often secured at the expense of quality and reputation. This has proved to be the case in holding the government butter. It is questionable if it has not been penny wise and pound foolish policy on the part of the management of the government creameries, in holding butter so long, thereby obtaining such a bad reputation for territory butter. Mr. Kinsella, of the dairy department, was in the city this week and was interviewed on the matter. He lays special weight upon the lack of good storage at Vancouver, but this is evidently only part of the difficulty, which has its beginning in the holding system. We are quite prepared to believe that the butter was good quality of its class when it left the government storehouse, but if it had not been held so long it would have undoubtedly gone into consumption under more favorable conditions.

**The Cigar Trouble.**

Trouble has arisen between the factories and their employees in the cigar-making business at Winnipeg. The men's have organized a union and adopted a bill of wages which means a radical increase over prices heretofore paid, and which would necessitate an increase of from \$4 to \$6 per thousand in the price of cigars. This bill the employers refuse to accept, and in consequence, a union cigar factory is being opened, but as this will only employ a few hands for the present it will not materially affect the situation in Winnipeg. The probabilities are that the dispute will be settled amicably after public discussion has taken place.

Mayor Andrews, of Winnipeg, has returned from his trip to Great Britain. He will make his report to the city council on Monday next, regarding the result of his trip in connection with the new waterworks bonds.

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**Lumber Trade Notes.**

F. A. Maguire is starting a lumber yard at Elgin, Man.

Clark, of Cypress River, is taking over J. B. Mather's lumber business at Glenboro.

Contractors G. H. Strevel and J. W. Buchanan are sending men to southeastern Manitoba to cut ties for the new Southwestern Railway.

Fred H. Gillman, a representative of the Northwestern Lumberman, of Chicago, was in Winnipeg a week ago attending the meeting of lumbermen for the purpose of forming a lodge of Ho-Hoos.

D. E. Sprague has closed down his Winnipeg sawmill for the season. The cut was only 2,000,000 feet, which was less than was intended, as the low water in the early part of the season made it very late before the logs could be got down to the mill.

A branch of an order called the Ho-Hoos was established in Winnipeg on Saturday evening, Nov. 12th, several officials of the order from the United States being in attendance to conduct the ceremonies. This is a social order composed of lumbermen, editors of lumber trade papers, railway officials and dealers in lumbermen's supplies. It was originated in 1891 and has since grown to considerable proportions, having a total membership of about 6,000. This Winnipeg lodge is the second to be formed in Canada.

Thursday morning Justice Dubuc delivered judgment in Creighton vs. The Pacific Coast Lumber Co. Plaintiff was a lumber merchant residing in Winnipeg, and defendants carried on business in New Westminster. In March last defendants agreed to sell to plaintiff a car load of clear cedar strips of the second grade or better. A car load was shipped and defendants drew on plaintiff for the amount due; he paid the draft and also paid the C. P. R. \$120 for freight. When the lumber was unloaded plaintiff found that none of it was of the grade agreed to be sold to him by defendants and he refused to accept the same, and notified the defendant company that it was held subject to their order. Plaintiff claimed that because the lumber delivered was not of the character ordered, he was entitled to refuse acceptance thereof and to be repaid the sums paid by him. Defendants alleged that the plaintiff examined and inspected the lumber before completing the purchase and satisfied himself as to the quality thereof. They denied that there was any express or implied warranty on their part and denied that the plaintiff had any claim against them. His lordship held that the plaintiff had not established his right to recover the moneys paid by him in the transaction and a verdict should be entered for defendants. Mr. Ewart, Q. C. and Mr. Wilson for plaintiffs; Mr. Howell, Q. C., and Mr. Hough, Q. C., for defendants.

**Grain and Milling News.**

The elevator erected by the Calgary Milling company at Calgary, Alberta, is completed.

Oats were active and higher at Montreal the first of the week, advancing 1c on Monday to 32c afloat for spot stuff, but this price was not paid for futures.

The Winnipeg grain inspector gives

his returns for the week ending Nov. 12 as follows: "One hard, 140 cars; two hard, 24; one northern, 114; two northern, 14; three hard, 3; one spring, 15; two spring, 2; two frosted, 2; one rejected, 9; two rejected, 2; no grade, 32; condemned, 2. Total, 359 cars.

**Hardware and Paint Trade.**

Window glass factories at Pittsburgh, Pa., with a capacity of about 1,100 pots, started work November 14, and nearly 10,000 men and boys are earning their first money in over half a year.

The Montreal Gazette says Cable advices report a further advance in zinc, the present figures being nearly forty per cent. higher than a year ago. White lead is also advancing and higher prices are looked for. Responding to higher quotations in England, linseed oil has been marked up 1c per gallon, and is firmly held. Glass is active and firm.

**Live Stock News.**

R. Johnson, of QuAppelle, brought a shipment of western cattle for the old country market into Winnipeg this week.

Several new milch cows were sold by auction in Winnipeg on Tuesday at an average of \$34 to \$35 each. They were rather common looking animals.

W. Grant, sheep rancher, of Walsh, Alta., arrived in Winnipeg on Thursday with a shipment of sheep for the local market. He also brought in five car loads of cattle.

There were two accidents to stock trains last week, both in Assiniboia, one of which resulted in the killing and injury of 16 or 20 head of cattle, the other merely resulted in the derailing of the train.

At the Boyd Ranching Co.'s sale at Carberry Man., recently, there was spirited bidding for the agricultural horses offered. One heavy team was sold to the Winnipeg fire department for \$450, and the majority of the other teams put up brought \$250. Bidding for the racing classes was slow and a number were withdrawn.

**The Government Creameries.**

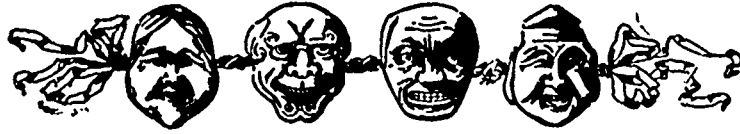
J. A. Kinsella, superintendent of government creameries in the territories, was in the city this week. In conversation Mr. Kinsella said that on account of the big snow storm and cold, ugly weather in the early part of October, the output of butter fell short fully one hundred to one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds in the Territories, or in other words had the weather been fine and warm the creameries would have run three to four weeks later, thus making the output for the season much larger.

When asked as to the article which appeared in the Commercial of the 12th inst, with reference to jobbers in Vancouver complaining of the quality of government creamery butter, Mr. Kinsella said the report was not a startling one to him, taking into consideration the facilities the Vancouver and Victoria jobbers had at present for handling creamery butter. They had experienced similar complaints last fall, and he, knowing that the butter left their refrigerators in a first class marketable condition, had, after consulting Professor Robertson, gone to Vancouver in November last to investigate the

matter, with the result that he found some of the large dealers with nearly a car load of creamery butter stored in flat warehouses exposed to extreme heat and dampness. Not only this, but a great many of the retail merchants had large lots of butter stored in buck sheds and warehouses exposed to such a warm atmosphere as they have at the coast. Mr. Kinsella says he tried to impress on the minds of the Vancouver dealers the importance of equipping their warehouses with proper cold storage, or a system of refrigeration, and not until they do this can they handle successfully such a delicate article as creamery butter, particularly is this the case for people who buy in car lots. Mr. Kinsella also explained that the bulk of the earlier made butter in Manitoba was shipped to the British Columbia markets and went into consumption shortly after being delivered, whereas the early make from the Territories were held in the creamery refrigerators until late in the season. Even then he would vouch for the quality as in nearly every case the butter was inspected and taken delivery at the creameries by the agents of such reliable firms as J. Y. Griffin & Co., the Parsons Produce Co., and F. R. Stewart, of Vancouver. The latter examined several cars of government creamery at the government cold storage at Calgary and pronounced it fine quality. The result is now that the government creamery, after being held three to four months in cold storage at a temperature of 32 to 34, has been exposed to a higher temperature at the coast for three and four weeks, and as every person who knows anything about butter will admit, that butter after being held for a time in cold storage, and then exposed to the heat, will go off flavor more readily than fresh made butter that never saw the inside of a refrigerator. Now these goods after being thus handled by the jobbers are being placed on the Vancouver and Victoria markets in competition with late October makes, shipped direct from Ontario and Manitoba.

Mr. Kinsella also made the statement that they had now on hand in the government cold storage at Calgary upwards of one hundred thousand pounds of late made butter, and he would stake his, and the reputation of his department, that this butter, if taken from their cold storage now, would compare favorably in quality with any Eastern Canada October makes. But if treated by the present methods which obtain in Vancouver he certainly would not vouch for its keeping qualities, and his department would not be responsible for the quality several weeks after the butter was delivered and exposed in Vancouver.

**ACTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED EVERYWHERE** for "The Story of the Philippines," by Murat Halstead, commissioned by the Government as Official Historian to the War Department. The book was written in army camps at San Francisco, on the Pacific with General Merritt, in the hospitals at Honolulu, in Hong Kong, in the American trenches at Manila, in the insurgent camps with Aguinaldo, on the deck of the Olympia with Dewey, and in the roar of battle at the fall of Manila. Bonanza for agents. Brimful of original pictures taken by government photographers on the spot. Large book. Low prices. Big profits. Freight paid. Credit given. Drop all trashy unofficial war books. Outfit free. Address F. T. Barber, Sec., Star Insurance Bldg., Chicago.



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**Insurance Items.**

Nixon & Waugh, agents of the Commercial Union Assurance Co., Winnipeg, are moving their office one door further north.

It is rumored that the Temperance and General, and the Manufacturers' Life Insurance companies will be amalgamated. This report follows on another to the effect that G. W. Gooderham has obtained control of the stock of the former company.

Did you ever look at it in this light? Between two days you become unassurable.—One day you are assurable—the next you cannot secure assurance at any price. This is true, not alone of you, but of every man. There comes a time in his life when, between two days, he becomes unassurable. Do you know when your day will come? Do you know that it isn't to-day? It is easy to allow a policy to lapse. It is sometimes impossible to replace it afterwards. As the boy said: "The time to get cake is when it is passing," so the time to take life assurance is when you can get it, and the time to hold on to it is when you have it.—From Equitable Life Assurance Society leaflet.

A new company is in the field for business in the fire insurance line with headquarters at Winnipeg. This is the Central Canada Fire Insurance company, incorporated by special act of parliament, 1898. The company has an authorized capital of \$500,000, of which \$50,000 is already subscribed for and paid up to the extent of 20 per cent. It is proposed to accept all classes of insurance. The board of management is composed as follows: R. P. Roblin, president; John Love, vice do.; H. H. Beck, managing director; G. V. Hastings, Hon. J. D. Cameron, Hugh J. Macdonald, Q. C. D. B. Hanna, W. Barclay Stephens, W. J. Tupper, J. A. Thompson, A. J. Adamson and J. T. Gordon, directors. Agents will be appointed in all business centres of this country, and no doubt the new company will soon succeed in winning a place wherever it seeks to do business. The manager would be glad to hear from any persons who would be willing to act as agents of the company.

**Mining Notes.**

The annual meeting of the War Eagle company was held in Toronto on Nov. 15th.

The sheriff has sold the Idler mineral claim, Kootenay, British Columbia, at auction to satisfy a judgment. It realized \$300.

President McKinnon and Director William Munsie, of Golden Cache mines, limited, British Columbia, have resigned.

J. M. McIntosh, of London, Ont., has secured a development bond on the Porpoise and Iron Hill group of two claims and the Eagle cliff, near to Golden, British Columbia.

The value of the first gold brick produced from thirty-three tons of ore from the Treasure mine, situated eight miles to the southeast of Rat Portage, was \$529.25.

J. R. Gifford, manager of the Boulder Mining company, which is operating in Northwestern Ontario, states that his company expects to put a compressor plant in operation at once.

**Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.**

Prices as to size and color, for prime skins; skins taken out of season range much lower:

Badger.....	.....\$ .25	\$ .50
Bear black .....	5.00	25.00
Bear brown .....	4.50	20.00
Bear, black yearlings.	5.00	7.00
Bear, brown yearlings ..	.....	.....
.....	3.00	4.50
Bear, grizzly.....	4.50	20.00
Beaver large.....	5.00	8.75
Beaver, medium .....	3.00	4.75
Beaver, small .....	1.50	2.50
Beaver, culs.....	.50	1.00
Beaver, castors, lb.....	2.50	5.50
Fisher, dark .....	6.00	8.00
Fisher, pale .....	3.00	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large	5.00	10.00
Fox, cross pale .....	2.50	5.00
Fox, kitt .....	.25	.75
Fox, red .....	1.00	1.00
Fox, silver dark .....	50.00	75.00
Fox, pale .....	25.00	60.00
Lynx, large .....	1.50	2.25
Lynx, medium .....	1.00	1.50
Lynx, small .....	.50	.75
Marten, dark .....	3.00	5.50
Marten, pale or brown	2.50	4.25
Marten, light pale.....	1.00	3.00
Mink, dark .....	.50	2.00
Mink, pale .....	.75	1.50
Musquash, winter .....	.04	.12
Otter, dark .....	6.00	10.00
Otter, pale .....	5.00	8.00
Skunk .....	.25	.75
Wolf, timber .....	2.00	3.00
Wolf, prairie .....	.40	.75
Wolverine, dark .....	3.00	3.50
Wolverine, pale .....	1.25	2.00

**Business at Vancouver.**

Vancouver, Nov. 14.

There are several changes in the wholesale markets this week. Dairy butter remains the same at 18 and 19 cents, but new creamery has advanced. It is a regrettable fact that so called government butter, manufactured under the supervision of government inspectors in the territories, is selling at two cents a pound cheaper than butter from creameries not enjoying that privilege. This statement is made on the report of numerous produce commission merchants interviewed recently. This state of affairs is injuring the butter trade of the Territories, and the jobbers in British Columbia are anxious for the credit of the government that the matter should be made public and rectified. This so-called government butter is not sold subject to inspection and must be purchased with the understanding that it cannot be returned in any event. In consequence a prominent firm recently was obliged to pay in the neighborhood of 20 cents per pound for a carload of mouldy butter. Among the retailers it is stated that government butter is being sent back by customers with the message that cooking butter has been sent in mistake for table butter. The best butter in the market is now coming from Montreal and is selling at 24 1-2 wholesale. Inferior grades, including government butter, are selling at 22 1-2c. Eastern eggs are still scarce, the wholesale price now being 18 and 19 cents. Pickled eggs, the same price. Local eggs are getting somewhat cheaper, being in great supply. Cheese still remains at 11 and 11 1-4c, owing

to early makes being largely held. In the flour and feed market oats have dropped \$2 per ton. This is the only change. Hay is largely in demand for winter camps. Food stuffs will rule low for some time to come.

**The Commercial Men.**

A. W. Lasher, of Toronto, representing W. R. Johnston & Co., was in the city this week.

A. S. Bluns, who has been in the old country, on a purchasing trip for R. J. Whittia & Co., returned on Wednesday.

Alex. Fraser, a London, Ont., wholesale merchant, was in Winnipeg this week, returning from a trip to the Pacific coast.

A. A. McKenzie, of Rossland, B. C., formerly of the wholesale grocery firm of McKenzie & Mills, Winnipeg, was in Winnipeg this week.

**Dry Goods Trade.**

This is stock-taking time with the wholesale dry goods houses. As usual, efforts are being made to reduce stocks as much as possible until this event is over.

The following list of prices has just been issued by one American carpet manufacturer, for spring 1899: Wiltons, \$1.10; velvets, 72 1-2c; XX tapestries, 60c; X tapestries, 55c; Comets, 50c; and Red Stars, 45c.

**Freight Rates.**

Lake rates from Chicago to Buffalo were held at 2 1-2c on wheat, 2 1-8 to 2 1-4c on corn, and 2c for corn to Midland.

East-bound rates were ordered restored on Nov. 10 to the old tariff of 20c on flour and grains and 30c on provisions from Chicago to New York.

The through rate on wheat from Chicago to Liverpool is 18 1-8c per bushel. Flour 32.69 to 34.69c per 100 pounds.

**British Cattle Markets.**

London, Nov. 14.—Owing to short supplies there was a much stronger feeling in the trade, and prices for both Canadian cattle and sheep advanced 1c, as compared with a week ago. Best States cattle were 1 1-4c higher at 12c; choice Canadian sold at 11c, and Argentine at 10 1-2c. Canadian sheep sold at 11 1-2c.

Liverpool, Nov. 12.—Trade was firmer, and prices slightly higher. Choice Canadian cattle sold at 9 1-2c to 10c, and sheep at 11 1-2c.

W. J. Guest, fish and game dealer, Winnipeg, has received a shipment of a ton or two of choice turkeys from Ontario, for the Thanksgiving trade.

Mr. Kinsella, of the government creamery staff, in the Territories, called on The Commercial this week. He reports that three of the Alberta creameries, located at Red Deer, Innisfail and Olds, are still in operation and may be kept working all winter. The new creamery started late in the season at Churchbridge, on the Manitoba and Northwestern railway in Assiniboia, has done remarkably well, and promises to become one of the most productive. A number of Icelanders, who are good live stock farmers, are located in that district. Mr. Kinsella went to Yorkton this week, to look after the erection of ice houses, etc., at the Yorkton and Saltcoats creameries.

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**British Columbia Items.**

About 5,500,000 salmon eggs have been collected and placed in the Fraser river hatchery.

Shipping is very active. Some thirty-five ships were unloading in the province last week.

A. E. Salisbury & Co., Vancouver, have been appointed agents for the Victor safes for Vancouver and district.

Vancouver is working up trade with Fiji in bananas. From Fiji they will come all the year round. In exchange for bananas Fiji is taking from British Columbia, apples, potatoes and onions.

The B. C. salmon packing season for 1898 has closed. The fall pack has only been some 50,000 cases, which will not materially add to the small summer pack. Prices continue very strong.

M. Costello and associates are erecting a \$40,000 cold storage establishment on the Fraser river with a view to freezing and shipping the inexhaustible food supply of British Columbia's mighty river.

Several Japanese shipped to the Orient this week via San Francisco 1,500 tons of salt salmon—a trial shipment. The consignors could not get steamship room for this shipment in British Columbia.

Fruit inspectors have examined plum orchards in British Columbia and handed in exhaustive papers as to the treatment of dry rot among plums, more or less prevalent in British Columbia. It is hoped that with careful treatment of every orchard in the province the disease will disappear.

Numerous railway and steamboat schemes are in process of incubation for the purpose of opening up the country. One scheme to connect Vancouver by rail and steamer with the Cassiar, Atlin Lake and Klondike districts, is proposed. If any of them come to anything is another question. Numerous citizens' meetings have been called to consider them.

A scarcity of carbide of calcium is reported. This is the commodity used for the manufacture of acetylene gas, which is coming into quite extensive use.

The Pillow & Hersey Company, iron founders, Montreal, had their forging department injured by fire on Nov. 14th to the extent of thirty or forty thousand dollars.

Fire destroyed property in Dawson City on October 14th to the value of \$30,000. The number of buildings lost amounted to about 40, the post-office being among the number.

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**WHEAT IN CANADA**

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

Montreal . . . . .	174,000
Toronto . . . . .	42,000
Kingston . . . . .	25,000
Winnipeg . . . . .	178,000
Manitoba elevators . . . . .	2,100,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin . . . . .	1,505,000

Total November 5 . . . . 4,024,000

**BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.**

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on Nov. 5, were 33,930,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 44,919,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on Nov. 1 were 5,621,000 bushels, compared with 7,391,000 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 November 12, was 19,994,000 bushels, being an increase of 2,994,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 31,973,000 bushels, two years ago 61,008,000 bushels, three years ago 60,326,000 bushels.

**WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.**

Chicago . . . . .	2,050,000 bushels
Duluth . . . . .	2,199,000 "
Minneapolis . . . . .	1,814,000 "
New York . . . . .	1,764,000 "
Buffalo . . . . .	1,858,000 "

**STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.**

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 5,499,000 bushels, compared with 14,285,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 23,529,000 bushels, compared with 43,439,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

**WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.**

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on Nov. 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: Nov. 1, 1898, 84,485,000; Nov. 1, 1897, 111,660,000; Nov. 1, 1896, 162,399,000; Nov. 1, 1895, 178,449,000.

**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 year, August 1, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis . . . . .	30,359,250	29,162,640
Milwaukee . . . . .	4,847,885	3,792,709
Duluth . . . . .	36,359,834	24,015,910
Chicago . . . . .	16,006,461	16,295,069
Total . . . . .	87,564,450	73,256,328

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, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo . . . . .	8,957,235	7,960,345
St. Louis . . . . .	9,200,854	7,644,200
Detroit . . . . .	2,713,050	3,358,205
Kansas City . . . . .	16,249,580	19,695,900
Total . . . . .	37,120,519	38,658,650

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## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, Nov. 19.

The weather has been milder this week than could have been desired for business purposes, as a cold snap is always resented at this time of year, particularly in the clothing, fur, dry goods and kindred branches. Sorting trade in these lines has not been very active yet. In the lumber manufacturing line the mills are closing for the season, and the energies of the companies is now directed toward getting out logs for next season's cut, which promises to be a heavy one. There is still a lot of building work going on in the city, but unfinished buildings are being pushed forward as rapidly as possible. The grain trade has been greatly hampered for the past two weeks by the scarcity of cars, which have not been supplied in quantities nearly equal to the demand. Deliveries of grain by farmers at country points have been fairly liberal, and some elevators were filled up. Prices have continued downward in country markets, and recently prices to farmers in country markets have ruled considerably below a parity with prices obtainable at lake ports. This of course is owing to the difference in position as to freights and storage charges. Grain at lake ports or in transit is available for shipment at once, but there is no certainty at all that grain now being purchased from farmers can be got out before the close of navigation. Consequently winter freight rates or winter storage charges must be taken into consideration in purchasing from farmers now. This is the main cause of the decline in prices at country markets, as compared with values at lake ports. This is one of the disadvantages of the backward movement of grain this year, which will make the bulk of the crop subject to winter freight or winter storage charges. As to the quality of the crop, reports received from the country continue to say that the grain is turning out better quality than could be hoped for. Reports have been received from a number of country merchants to this effect. The approaching close of navigation is having its usual effect in commercial circles, in tending toward a strong market for heavy commodities, such as hardware, paints, etc. The last regular line steamer is billed to leave Fort William on Nov. 26, but should the weather keep mild, further trips will no doubt be made. Tramp grain steamers will, of course, run as much later as they can.

In commercial circles payments are slow for the time of year, but this is easily attributable to the backward grain movement. Since the decline in prices in country markets, many farm-

ers have decided to hold their grain in the hope of an advance, which further retards the circulation of cash. Bank clearings at Winnipeg were again about 3-4 of a million under the like week of last year, but 1-2 a million in excess of the corresponding week of 1896. Customs returns, however, for the Winnipeg district, show a large gain in goods entered for consumption and duty collected, compared with last year.

The opening of the Crow's Nest railway is a matter which is of vast importance to the trade of the city, and which is bound to materially augment the business of the city with southeastern British Columbia. It is understood a regular train service will be put into effect on the new road next week.

## WINNIFEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, Nov. 19

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

### DRUGS.

Cream tartar and tartaric acid are lower here. Quinine is higher in the States, at factories. Camphor is firm. See prices on another page.

### FISH.

Bulk oysters are being sold at very close prices since the decline reported last week. As one dealer put it, "they were simply doing business for fun now." Haicics received in car lots sell at 2c, but some are still coming by express, which cost higher.

### GROCERIES.

In the line of price changes this week in the local market, canned corn is again a little higher, and raspberries have also again been moved up another notch, being quoted 15 to 25c per box higher for raspberries and 5 to 10c higher for corn. In canned meats corn beef, is quoted 10c lower per case. In the cereal market, split peas, pot and pearl barley and buckwheat flour are all 10 to 15c higher per sack, owing to increase in cost of laying down new goods here. Japan rice has eased off some from the high price quoted of late for this commodity. The quotation here has been reduced 1-1c to 6 1-4 to 6 1-2c. Oatmeal is easier. Car lots are now costing less money and a reduction will probably follow soon in the jobber's price. Sugars were advanced 1-8c at the refineries on Thursday, and this advance has also gone into effect here. The Vancouver refinery, as well as the eastern manufacturers, advanced at the same time. In dried fruits the changes include a sharp advance of 2c on Sultana raisins and another advance of 1-2c on dried apples. In canned goods advices from the east this week are still very firm on corn. This line, it is said is nearly all out of first hands, and sales have been made by eastern packers at \$1 per dozen, which shows that Winnipeg prices are away below the cost at which the commodity could now be laid down here. Tomatoes are also selling here at less than they could now be laid down for, and with winter freights soon to go into effect, the cost will be increased. Tomatoes

have sold as high as 90c at the factories east. The advance on corn has been about 50 per cent since the season opened. Dried fruits are firm everywhere on almost every line. Apricots are higher again in primary markets, being held at 11c in California, and stocks there are said to be very small. Some small lots of new California primes have been received, but stocks are slow in coming forward, and prices are held very firm. Dried and evaporated apples are also very strong and the high prices of the past year on this class of fruit will be maintained. The very light apple crop in the United States this year is a strong factor in the advance of dried and evaporated apples, and it is also not without its effect on other dried fruits. Mediterranean fruits in currants, raisins and figs are coming forward, but receipts have been slow in reaching here, and jobbers are complaining somewhat on this account, as stocks, particularly of currants, were very low. Some new California loose muscatel raisins are offering. Prices on these are very firm, and in primary markets quotations have advanced 1-2 to 1c since the season opened. The California raisins are preferred by the trade here, as they are supposed to have better keeping qualities than the Spanish fruit, so that they are having a good sale notwithstanding the comparatively high cost of these goods.

### GREEN FRUITS.

Mexican oranges are now coming forward more freely, and they are proving good stock. A car of new crop California navel oranges is expected the first of next week. This is remarkably early for new California fruit, and fully a month earlier than usual. Apples hold firm at last quotations. A few fall and fancy varieties are still obtainable, but the market is narrowing down to the regular winter varieties. Ontario grapes are about out of the mar-

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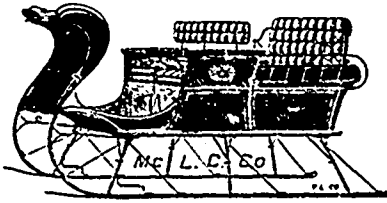
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ket. Pacific coast box apples are also out. Among receipts this week was a car load of honey from Ontario. Prices are: Oranges, Mexicans, \$5.50 box; bananas per bunch, \$2.50 to \$3 as to size; California lemons \$7 to \$7.50 per box; Malaga lemons \$5.50 a box; Oregon winter Nellis pears, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per box; Ontario apples fall, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per bbl.; winter stock, \$3.25 to \$3.50 as to variety; knaws \$3.50; fancy fameuse \$4 to \$4.25; California grapes, \$2.50 to \$2.75 for four basket crates; Ontario grapes, ten pound baskets, Rogers, 40c per basket; Almeria grapes \$8 a keg; cranberries, Cape Cod \$8 bbl., some have sold at cut rates as low as \$7.50; sweet potatoes \$5 per bbl.; cocoanuts, \$1 a doz.; Sicily filberts, large, 11 to 12c per pound; Grenoble walnuts, 14c; Tarragona almonds, 12 1-2 to 13c; peanuts, green, 10c; roasted, 12c; peanut, 14 to 15c; shelled walnuts, 24 1-2 to 26c lb.; strained honey, 81-2 to 9c per pound; maple sugar, 11 to 12; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels; California figs, in boxes of ten bricks, \$2 per box.

#### HARDWARE, PAINTS, ETC.

No changes in prices are reported this week. The tendency of prices is firm, on account of the drawing near of the close of navigation. Glass, turpentine, linseed oil, etc., are particularly firm. Illuminating oils are in good demand and steady.

#### LEATHER.

A good trade is reported in harness goods. Prices of leather are unchanged. See quotations on another page.

#### MANUFACTURED FURS.

A good parcel trade is reported in furs, notwithstanding the mild weather. Houses that are handling both clothing and furs report that the sorting trade has been better in furs than clothing, fur coats particularly having sold well.

#### RAW FURS.

Some early collections of new furs are now coming in. Some varieties are now prime or almost so, particularly muskrat, skunk, mink, bear, leaver, etc., which become prime earlier than other varieties. Lynx are in poor demand. Prices are somewhat uncertain yet, but the outlook for raw furs is considered fairly good. See prices in another column.

#### GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Wheat—No important change can be reported in the wheat markets during the past week, but prices have been steady and strong within a narrow range of fluctuation. The principal feature in the United States markets has been the activity in Chicago December wheat, and doubtless this has had its effect in leading other markets firm in sympathy. The stock of contract grade in Chicago is very small, and the short interest in the December option seems to be easily excited, and on one or two days sharp spurts took place in the price, by reason of shorts covering, the result being a gain of 1c per bushel on the week, in Chicago cash and December wheat, while the quotations for other months in Chicago, in common with all months in other markets, remain practically the same as a week ago. A large movement of wheat to primary markets continues in the United States, and the demand for export and domestic consumption also

continues on an extensive scale. The American visible supply increased last week 2,184,000 bushels, and the world's visible increased 6,726,000 bu. During the week it was reported that Russia was offering wheat to London at cheaper prices. The bulk of the Russian wheat so far this season, has been taken by the Mediterranean ports, at better prices than Englishmen would pay. Argentine was offering wheat more freely. Harvest in that country is now beginning in the earlier districts, and will be general in three weeks, with crop prospects good.

The local market has for the most part been firm during the week, closing, however, with the sentiment of the trade leaning towards the idea of lower prices. Lake navigation may close within two weeks, which will make a difference of 6c to 7c per bushel in freight to the seaboard for export. If there is no advance in outside markets, any increase in cost of freight must come off the present price of the wheat here. Prices were strong on Monday in view of Tuesday being the 15th of the month, when delivery of a great many contracts would have to be made, and several dealers being short a few cars, the price of spot wheat was well sustained, 72 1-2c being paid for 1 hard in store Fort William. On Tuesday the feeling was easier and 72c was paid for spot 1 hard. Wednesday and Thursday the prevailing price was 71 1-2c, and yesterday 71c. The difference between 1 hard and 2 hard and 1 northern has remained at 4c per bushel; 3 hard, 2 northern, and 1 spring, 7c to 8c under 1 hard. Scoured 1 and 2 hard and 1 northern, 65c. Damp wheat may be quoted as being worth about 10c per bushel under the same grade in good condition. The views of the dealers yesterday were distinctly in the direction of lower prices. Large buyers and shippers are practically out of the market, as it is coming on towards the close of navigation, when they must, if possible, have everything on hand cleaned out of Fort William and Duluth, or run the risk of losing money on what may be left behind. Small sales on basis 1 hard for all November delivery were made yesterday at 70 1-2c per bushel in store Fort William. Large buyers would only quote 70c, but made no effort to buy at that. Straight 1 hard for delivery first half December has been freely offered the last few days at 69c Fort William, but there have been no buyers at over 68c. The scarcity of cars to ship wheat from country points to Fort William is a very aggravating hindrance to business for shippers all over the country, and the cause of heavy loss to many dealers who had bought wheat freely at higher prices, and are not likely to get it shipped out in time to go east by the lake route this fall.

FLOUR—Quotations are the same as last week. Prices here to retail dealers are as follows: \$2.05 for patent, \$1.85 for strong bakers, \$1.45 for second bakers and \$1.15 for XXXX per sack of 98 lbs. Discount of 5c per sack net. Scarcity of cars is affecting the shipping business of the mills.

MILLEED—There was some talk of an advance, but it did not go into effect. Prices steady. Bran is quoted at \$9 and shorts at \$11 per ton for small lots, with large lots at 50c to \$1 per ton less as to quantity.

GROUND FEED—Chop feed is quot-

ed easier \$15 to \$16 per ton as to quality. Oil cake is quoted at \$28 to \$27 per ton.

OATMEAL—The market is decidedly easier. Ontario meal has been offered to lay down here at 1.60 per sack for rolled, for cars on track here, and United States meal is about the same figure, though some manufacturers are asking 1.70. As oats are now offering more freely, the market will soon be fully supplied with Manitoba meal, when both the United States and Ontario article will be shut out.

OATS—The market is decidedly weaker. Prices declined about 1c per bushel, with sales at 27 to 29c, and yesterday cars were offered here at 26c, which made a farther decline of 1c on the previous inside price. At the close it is not likely that bids of 25c for cars on track here would have been refused and we quote 25 to 26c per bushel of 34 lbs. for cars on track here, of feed qualities. In the country prices have declined to 18 to 20c for car lots on track, as to freights. On the local street market, 25 to 28c was paid to farmers for loads.

BARLEY—Feed qualities quoted at 27 to 30c, with a very limited movement. Mating barley in good demand and scarce for good samples at 33 to 35c as to quality, per bushel of 48 lbs.

WHEAT—Local street market—There is an over supply of low grade wheat offering for chicken feed, etc., at 30 to 35c per bushel of 60 lbs.

FLAX SEED—In Manitoba country markets 65c per bushel is being paid to farmers. The amount offered has been very limited and the quality rather poor.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is firm, at about the same prices as quoted last week. For fresh late made goods about 20c has been paid. Held lots of earlier make are quoted at 18 to 19c as to quality. The market now, however, is practically nominal, as factories are all about closed out. Jobbers are holding at 22 to 23c as to quantity and quality.

BUTTER—Dairy—The market is firm at 15 to 16c here as to quality for choice lots of fresh goods. Mostly small lots of late made goods now offering, which readily command prices quoted.

CHEESE—The market is quoted the same as last week. We quote 83-4 to 9c for Manitoba cheese, to factories. Small sizes have brought 9 to 9 1-2c as to quality.

EGGS—There is quite a variety of eggs in the market and the quality is varied in proportion. There are very few Manitoba eggs offering. Manitoba fresh or good Ontario fresh are quoted by jobbers at 19 to 20c, held fresh at 17 to 18c, and lined at 16 to 17c. There is much variation in quality of some of the so-called fresh, while there is also some very good stock offering.

PROVISIONS.—There is an easier tendency on cured meats and lard. Hams and breakfast bacon are quoted at 11c, smoked shoulders \$1-2c, imported short clear \$1-2. Canadian long clear dry salt 9c. Lard is quoted at \$1.70 to \$1.80 per 20 lb. pall, the latter price for imported.

POULTRY—With the advent of winter weather poultry is becoming more plentiful and prices are a little easier. Spring chickens are now quoted at 8c to 10c per lb., hens 8c, turkeys are lower at 10 to 11c, and ducks and geese 9 to 10c. Some Ontario turkeys are in the market. The supply of all sorts is only equal to local requirements.

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**GAME**—Ducks and geese are scarce since the birds went south and some varieties are now out of the market. Fall ducks are quoted at 20c per pair, wavyes and geese are hard to get at 40 to 50c each. Rabbits are beginning to come in plentifully and are worth 10 to 12 1-2c per pair.

**DRESSED MEATS**—Pork is tending lower in price and the top figure of last week cannot be realized now, 6 1-4c being about the limit, while 6c may be regarded as the prevailing price. Packers are quoting 6c as their highest figure. Beef is unchanged at 5 to 5 1-4c for good quality. Mutton is quoted at 6 1-2 to 7c and lamb 7 1-2 to 8c; veal, large calves, 4 1-2 to 5c, real veal, 6 1-2 to 7c. Several car loads of Ontario hogs have been brought in by packers, about five cars having arrived so far, and they have cost about 6c laid down here, so that 6c practically represents the top of the market, though 6 1-4c has been paid by butchers for a few choice hogs for their retail trade.

**VEGETABLES**—Potatoes have been coming in freely and in consequence prices have weakened somewhat. A good many of those offering are of poor quality and difficulty may be found in keeping them. Other varieties of vegetables have the same bad quality this year, that is that they will not keep. Onions are among these. Potatoes are quoted at 35 to 40c per bushel; turnips, 15 to 20c bushel; parsnips, 11-2c per lb.; carrots, 35 to 40c; beets, 35 to 40c per bushel; celery, 25 per dozen; cabbage, 25 to 60c per dozen; onions, 30c to \$1 per bushel; Spanish onions, \$2 per crate.

**WOOL**—Nominal, 8 to 9c per lb.  
**SENECA ROOT**—Nominal at 21c.

**HIDES**—The market has an easy feeling. The price of city hides holds at 7c for No. 1. Country hides are now coming as frozen stock, as the weather is too cold to cure hides except in a building where they will not freeze. Country butchers' hides are quoted at 6 to 6 1-2c here flat, 5 lbs. tare. We quote: Hides No. 1 7c; No. 2 6c; No. 3, 5c. Branded hides usually grade No. 2 and bulls No. 3; kip, 6c to 7c; calf, 8c; deacon skins, 15c to 25c each; sheepskins and lambskins, 30 to 50c; horse hides, 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

**HAY**—The hay being offered is not all of first class quality, and it is predicted that there will be a good deal of poor stuff on the market this winter, owing to the bad condition of most of the stacks. Car lots on track are quoted at \$8 to \$9 as to quality, and loose hay at \$7 to \$9 per ton. There is a lot of very poor hay offering, some of which is not worth marketing.

**LIVE STOCK.**

**FAT CATTLE**—The market is easy for cattle. The best are costing about 3c off cars here. Quite a number of range cattle are being killed for the local market. Common cattle range from 2c upward as to quality. The season's business in export cattle is drawing to a close.

**STOCKER CATTLE**—The market for stocker cattle is in the same bad shape as reported last week, and unless prices advance in the markets south the business of shipping stockers to the States will be killed for the present. Stockers were quoted at St. Paul this week at \$3.25 to \$3.60 per 100 lbs., which would not admit of paying materially over 2c here, to

leave a profit for the shipper, as the freight and duty amounts to about \$1.25 per 100 lbs. It is reported that some cattle bought for parties in the States have been thrown back on the hands of the buyers here. One lot of 400 cattle, however, went forward this week. These cattle were bought up before the decline and they had to be disposed of somewhere, regardless of the decline in values.

**HOGS**—The market is easier. Prices have declined 1-4c to 5c off cars here, at which price a few lots have been taken. Offerings, however, are very limited. Some live hogs have been brought in from Ontario, and the arrival of several cars of dressed hogs from Ontario has also depressed prices of live hogs here.

**SHEEP**—A number of cars of sheep were brought in this week, but these were delivered on contracts made some time ago. W. Grant, of Walsh, brought in 800 head. Local buyers have about all the sheep they want for their winter trade now contracted for, though they are not all delivered yet. A few carloads could be taken yet by dealers, but if any lots were shipped in here now, they would probably sell at a lower price than has been paid for contract lots. Sheep now being delivered have cost 3 1-4 to 3 1-2c off cars here. Lambs are quoted at 3 1-2 to 4c, but they are not in demand.

**MILCH COWS**—Good new milkers readily sell for \$40 on the street and extra good animals at \$45. New milkers are scarce and hard to get, a few were offered this week and found immediate sale. Common cows, new milkers, have brought \$30 to \$35.

**HORSES**—There is a good demand for heavy horses for bush work. Offerings of all kinds have been light and prices good. About \$55 is the lowest price being paid and all the way from that up can be realized for medium to heavy range horses.

**Minneapolis Markets.**

Compared with a week ago these prices show a reduction of 10c on second patents flour, do. 50c on shorts, do. 1-2c on corn, an advance of 1-2c on oats, do. 1 to 2c on barley, do. 11-2c on flax, do. 1c on best eggs, do. 1-2c on turkeys, a reduction of 1-4c on hides, and a reduction of 50c per ton on timothy hay.

**Flour**—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$3.70 to \$3.80; second patents, \$3.40 to \$3.50.

**Millfeed**—Shorts in bulk, \$8 to \$8.25; bran in bulk, \$3.50 to \$3.75; corn, feed, \$12.50 to \$13.50 per ton as to quality.

**Corn**—Quoted at 30 1-2 to 30 3-4c for No. 3.

**Oats**—Oats held at 24 3-4 to 25c for No. 3 white.

**Barley**—Malting, 39 to 44c; feed, quoted at 36 1-2 to 38c.

**Flax seed**—97c per bushel.

**Eggs**—18c for strictly fresh, including cases; held fresh, 14 1-2 to 16c; seconds, 9 to 10c.

**Cheese**—Choice to fancy, 9 1-2 to 11c; fair to good, 8 1-2 to 9c.

**Butter**—Creamery, 21c to 22 1-2c; seconds, 16 to 17c; dairy, 15 to 19c for choice to fancy; seconds, 13 to 14c.

**Dressed meats**—Mutton, 5 to 7c; lamb, 8 to 10c; veal, 5 to 8c.

**Potatoes**—Car loads, mixed, 22 to 27c; straight varieties, 28 to 30c per bushel.

**Poultry**—Chickens, spring, 6 to 8c; hens, 6 to 6 1-2c; roosters, 4c; tur-

keys, 8 to 10 1-2c; ducks, 7 to 8c; geese, 7 to 8c; all live weight.

**Hides**—Green salted hides, 83-4c for No. 1, 8c No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 6 1-2 to 7 3-4c; sheepskins, 25 to 30c each; veal calf, 9 to 10 1-2c; tallow, 2 1-4 to 3 1-2c; seneca root, 22 to 24c.

**Wool**—Unwashed, fine, 11 to 12c; medium, 13 to 14c; coarse, 14 1-2 to 15 1-2c.

**Hay**—\$7 to \$7.50 per ton, timothy; mixed clover, \$6 to \$6.50.

Mr. Congdon, wholesale agent for the Dolge felt shoe, says that the shoes are better than ever this year, the different lines showing a decided improvement in quality. He has had quite a demand from Yukon for these goods.



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### British Columbia Markets.

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BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, Nov. 19, 1898.

Complaints regarding the quality of the butter from the Territorial creameries continue, but it is stated that some of the creameries are shipping a first class article, among them the Moose Jaw and Saskatoon. Prime butter, now on the way here will probably sell higher than our figures. Eggs have advanced 10c since last week for local stock. Valencia oranges are up 50c, Japanese oranges are now in the market, we quote:

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 22½@23c; choice dairy, jobbers price, 18@19c.  
Eggs—Local, 50c; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 19c; Pickled eggs 19c.

Cheese—Ontario, 11@11½c, jobbers price  
Cured Meats—Hams 12½@13c; breakfast bacon 12½@13c; backs 12½@13c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11 @ 12½c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per lb, in pails and tubs 9½c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked salmon 10c; fresh halibut, 6c; salmon, 6c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$10@11 per ton, ashcrofts, \$16 @ 17c; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$5 box; grapes, \$1.50 @ 1.60; pears, \$1 @ 1.25 box; apples, 65c per 50 lb. box; valencia oranges, \$3.25; Japanese oranges 65c.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.60; 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$5.30; strong bakers \$5.00; Oregon, jobbers price, \$4.75.

Grain—Oats, 17.00 @ \$19.00 per ton; wheat, 23.00@25.00 per ton;

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$23.00 per ton; shorts \$20 ton; bran \$18; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$8 to \$10 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7@7½c; mutton 10@10½c; pork 7@8c; veal 10 @ 10½c; Pennicuan 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$4.00 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens, \$4 @ \$6 dozen.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 10½c per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9@10c. prunes, French 5@7½c; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6@8½c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnut, 13c lb.

Sugars—Powdered, icing and bar, 6½c. Paris lump, 6½c; granulated, 5c; extra C. 4½c; fancy yellows 4½c; yellow 4½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tins, \$4.50 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 0c; choice, 35c lb.

### Western Business Items.

Edwin Grout, is opening in hardware at Minto, Man., a new town on the Northern Pacific extension.

Heppner & Kintz, general store, Plum Coulee, Man., are reported to be discontinuing business.

A. T. Andrews, drugs, of Gladstone, is opening a branch at Plumias.

D. Gibson is opening in hardware at Souris, Man.

D. W. Maclean & Co., grocers, Winnipeg, have sold out to Geo. Galbraith.

McDonald & Skinner, publishers, South Edmonton, have dissolved partnership.

The Royal Crown Soap Co., of Winnipeg, has bought out the Standard Soap Works of Vancouver.

Westbourne, Nov. 17.—Most of the wheat is threshed around here. But a very small percentage of it was in any way damaged.

R. S. Norton has returned from the Pacific coast.

James Bradley has opened business in shoe making and repairing and harness, etc., at Austin.

J. Blakeman and J. Robins have formed a partnership in the implement trade at Virden, where they have rented the old Patterson warehouse and will open at once.

The stock of general merchandise of Hallonquist & Co., Napinka, will be sold by public auction in a retail way.

Mr. Madder is making preparation for building lumber sheds at Douglas, Man., where he will go into the lumber business. Mr. Munro, blacksmith is also going into the lumber business at Madford.

### Assiniboia.

The old established firm of Swet & McDonald, saddlers, Regina has been dissolved, each continues alone.

A. Knowles has disposed of his general store at Wapella to J. Franks, of Hyde.

Mr. Nugent, implements, Wapella, has sold out to Wm. Martin, and talks of starting a general store.

Northwood & Garner, livery, Wapella, have dissolved partnership. Northwood retires.

P. Robinson has purchased the Queen's hotel at Broadview.

James G. Cuming, of Fletwood, has bought out E. C. Flook's restaurant business at Whitewood.

### Manitoba Country Markets.

Prices for wheat to farmers at Manitoba country markets were reduced 1c per bushel on Wednesday of this week to a basis of 51c per bushel for No. 1 hard, and other grades in proportion, at points having a 16 1-2 and 17 1-2 cent freight rate to Fort William, and this reduction was held throughout the week. On this basis quotations were as follows: No. 1 hard, 51c; No. 2 hard and No. 1 northern, 47 to 48c; No. 3 hard, No. 2 northern, and No. 1 spring, 43 to 44c. Prices, however, varied greatly in different markets accordingly as they were influenced by local conditions, and at some points 1 to 3c higher was freely paid. A good many good samples of 2 hard and 1 northern have also been taken at the price paid for 1 hard, and though 51c is the general quotation for 1 hard, the average price paid has been considerably above this figure. At 18 1-2 and 19 1-2 cent freight rate points, prices are quoted 1c under above quotations, and at 20 1-2 cent freight rate points, 2c under quotations. Deliveries of

farmers have been fairly liberal this week, ranging between 150,000 and 175,000 bushels per day.

### IMPORTANT LUMBER DEAL.

It is rumored that one of the big Lake of the Woods lumber manufacturing concerns will shortly take over a Winnipeg retail lumber business, and thereafter carry a stock of lumber here. It is also again rumored that one or more of the Lake of the Woods saw mills will be moved to Winnipeg and set up on the Red river.

### WEATHER AND CROPS.

Fleming, Nov. 15.—Threshing is about completed and the machines are all being put up for the season. There is very little damp wheat in this district.

Whitewood, Nov. 16.—Threshing is now almost completed. Returns are good and the sample is much better than some people expected. Every pickle of grain in this district is of good marketable quality, and our farmers on the whole are well pleased.

### SASKATCHEWAN.

G. R. Russell, butcher, Prince Albert, has taken his brother Norman into partnership with him. The firm will be known as G. R. Russell & Bro.

J. E. Spence has opened an auction room and a real estate and insurance business at Prince Albert.

### NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York Nov. 18.—Stocks opened irregular. Atchison 16 1-4; Burlington, ex-dividend, 119 1-2; Missouri Pacific 36 3-4; Northwest 138; Northern Pacific 40 3-8; do, preferred 75 1-4; People's Gas 107 7-8; Rock Island 108 3-8; Sugar 120 3-4; St. Paul 113 3-8; Southern preferred 38 1-4; Tobacco 138; Union Pacific 34 7-8; do, preferred 68 3-8; Western Union 93 1-4.

Money on call nominally at 2 to 2 1-2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady at \$1.85 to 1-4 for demand, and at \$4.82 1-2 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.83 and \$4.86 1-2. Commercial bills \$4.81 to 1-2. Silver certificates 60 7-8 to 61 1-2. Bar silver 60 5-8. Mexican dollars 47 1-8. Government bonds strong.

### LONDON MONEY.

London, Nov. 18.—4 p. m.—Money, 2 1-2, discount on short bills and 3-months' bills, 3 3-8.

### NOTES.

Stocks of wheat at Fort William on Nov. 12 were 1,056,000 bushels.

There was an advance in the New York sugar market again on Tuesday.

Cable advices reported a stronger market for pepper.

There is a firm and advancing market for nuts of nearly all varieties, says the New York Journal of Commerce.

A year ago this week The Commercial reported that the great bulk of the wheat crop was out of the farmers' hands. This year the movement is only nicely started.

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**New York Wheat.**

New York, Nov. 14.—Wheat — Receipts 437,525 bushels; exports 165,121 bushels; sales 3,431,000 bushels futures; 198,000 bushels spot. Options, after opening strong on higher cables and foreign buying, turned weak under realizing, a liberal increase in the visible, and light outside trade. There was a second rally on export transactions, and the close was strong at 1-4 to 1-2c net advance. March opened 74 7-8 to 75, closed 74 7-8; May opened 71 5-16 to 72, closed 71 5-8; Dec. opened 74 7-7, closed 74 7-8; May opened 71 5-16 to 72, closed 71 5-8; Dec. opened 74 1-2 to 75, closed 74 7-8.

New York, Nov. 15.—Wheat receipts, 381,600 bushels; exports, 401,163 bushels; sales, 2,520,000 bushels futures; 712,000 bushels spot. Options were weak and lower; half the day under bearish cables and big receipts. Long wheat appeared freely, but, with a subsequent renewal of export demand, ceased, and prices rallied from low point, closing unsettled at 1-2c net decline, but 1-4c up from bottom. March, 74 1-2c to 74 7-8c, closed 74 1-2; May, 70 7-8c to 71 3-8c, closed 71c; Dec., 74 3-16c to 74 3-4c, closed 74 3-8c.

New York, Nov. 16.—Wheat Receipts 232,925 bushels; exports 63,400 bushels, sales 1,225,000 bushels futures, 348,000 bushels. Options declined moderately from the first, and closed weak. Fair receipts and liquidation. Speculation was extremely dull and featureless; except for a late rally on covering and export developments, closing 1-8c net higher. March 74 1-8c to 74 1-2, closed 74 1-2c; May 70 1-4 to 71 1-8c, closed 71 1-8c; Dec. 73 7-8c to 74 7-16.

New York, Nov. 17.—Wheat — Receipts 347,050 bushels; exports 248,312 bushels. Options opened easy under foreign selling and big spring wheat receipts, but rallied on firmer late cables, together with large clearances. In the last hour, however, a reaction occurred under reselling by foreign houses, and the close was weak at 1-8 to 3-8c net decline. March opened 74 1-4 to 74 3-4, closed 74 1-4; May opened 70 3-4 to 71 5-16, closed 70 7-8; Dec. opened 73 15-16 to 74 3-4, closed 74.

New York, Nov. 18.—Wheat—Receipts, 257,250 bushels; exports, 314,299 bushels; sales, 2,705,000 bushels futures; 520,000 bushels spot. Options for a time were weak and heavy from the effects of big spring wheat receipts, lower cables, bearish Argentine news and unloading. With the advent of export demand, however, the afternoon market rallied, and closed fairly firm at 1-4 decline on December and 1-4 advance on May. March, 74 1-4 to 74 1-2, closed 74 1-4; May, 70 9-16 to 71 1-8, closed 71 1-8; Dec., 73 3-8 to 78 3-4, closed 73 3-4.

New York, Saturday, Nov. 19.—December wheat closed at 73 3-4c and May at 71c.

**Chicago Board of Trade Prices**

Prices are quoted per bushel of 60 pounds for wheat, bushel of 56 pounds of corn, bushel of 32 pounds of oats, per barrel of mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, Nov. 14.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Nov. 66 1-2; Dec. 66 3-4 to 66 7-8; May 66 3-8.  
Corn—Nov. 31 3-4; Dec. 31 7-8 to 32; May 33 5-8 to 33 3-4.

Oats—Dec. 24; May 24 3-4.  
Pork—Dec. \$7.77 1-2; Jan. \$8.87 1-2.  
Lard—Dec. \$4.80; Jan. \$4.87 1-2.  
Ribs—Dec. \$4.15; Jan. \$4.52 1-2.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Wheat, Nov. 66c n. Dec. opened 66 5-8 to 3-4c, closed 66 3-8c a. May opened 66 1-8c, closed 66 to 1-8c. Corn, Nov. 31 3-8c n. Dec. opened 31 3-4c, closed 31 1-2 to 5-8c. May opened 33 1-2c, closed 33 1-8c b. Oats, Nov. 23 3-4 to 7-8c. Dec. opened 23 3-4c, closed 24 1-8c. May opened 24 3-4c, closed 24 3-4c. Ribs, Dec. \$4.42 n. Jan. opened \$4.50, closed \$4.47 to \$4.50. Pork, Dec. \$7.75. Jan. opened \$8.82, closed \$8.85. Lard, Dec. opened \$4.77, closed \$4.80. Jan. opened \$4.85, closed \$4.85 b.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—Wheat, Nov. 66 1-2c n. Dec. opened 66 to 65 7-8c, closed 66 5-8 to 3-4c b. May opened 65 3-4c, closed 7-8 to 66c. Corn, Nov. 31 3-4c n. Dec. opened 31 1-2 to 5-8c, closed 32 1-8c a. May opened 33 to 1-8c, closed 33 1-2c b. Oats, Nov. 24 1-8c n. Dec. opened 24c, closed 24 3-4c. May opened 24 5-8 to 3-4c, closed 25 1-4c. Ribs, Dec. \$4.42. Jan. opened \$4.47 to \$4.50, closed \$4.52 to \$4.55. Pork, Dec. opened \$7.70, closed \$7.82. Jan. opened \$8.82, closed \$8.92. Lard, Dec. \$4.77, closed \$4.85. Jan. opened \$4.85, closed \$4.92.

Chicago, Nov. 17.—Wheat, Nov. 66 1-4 n. Dec. opened 66 3-4c, closed 66 1-2 to 5-8c a. May opened 66c, closed 65 7-8c b. Corn, Nov. 31, Dec. opened 32 1-8c, closed 32 1-8 to 1-4c b. May opened 33 3-4c, closed 33 5-8 to 3-4c b. Oats, Nov. 24 1-2 to 5-8c. Dec. opened 24 7-8c, closed 25 3-8c. Ribs, Dec. \$4.42. Jan. opened \$4.65, closed \$4.52. Pork, Dec. opened \$7.85, closed \$7.77 n. Jan. opened \$8.95, closed \$8.90. Lard, Dec. opened \$4.85, closed \$4.85. Jan. opened \$4.92 to \$4.95, closed \$4.90 to \$4.92.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—Wheat, Nov. 66 1-4c, Dec. 66 1-2c, May 66c. Corn, Nov. 32 1-4c, Dec. 32 3-8c. Oats, Nov. 24 7-8c, Dec. 25c, May 25 3-8c. Ribs, Dec. \$4.42, Pork, Dec. \$7.92, Jan. \$8.95. Lard, Dec. \$4.85, Jan. \$4.92.

Chicago, Nov. 19.—December wheat opened at 66 3-8c and ranged from 66 1-2 to 66 7-8. Closing prices were: Wheat—Nov., 66 5-8c; Dec. 66 7-8c, May 66 1-8c.

Corn—Nov. 33c, Dec. 33c.  
Oats—Nov. 25 1-4c, 25 1-4c.  
Pork—Dec. 7.90, Jan. \$9.02.  
Lard—Dec. 4.90-92, Jan. \$4.97.  
Ribs—Dec. 4.50, Jan. \$4.57 to \$4.60.

A week ago December option closed at 65 7-8c. A year ago December wheat closed at 95 1-8c, two years ago at 75 7-8c, three years ago at 56 1-4c, four years ago at 53 3-4c.

**DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.**

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

Monday—Dec., 66 1-2c; May, 66 1-4c.  
Tuesday—Dec., 64 1-8c; May, 65 7-8c.  
Wednesday—Dec., 63 7-8c; May, 65 7-8c.  
Thursday—Dec., 63 3-8c; May, 65 3-8c.  
Friday—Cash, 66 3-4c; Dec., 63 5-8c; May, 65 5-8c.  
Saturday, Dec., 63 1-4c; May, 65 1-4c.

Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 70 1-2c, and cash No. 1 northern at 67c.

A week ago December wheat closed at 63 7-8c.

A year ago December wheat closed at 57 7-8c, two years ago December option closed 79 3-8c, three years ago at 53 3-4c, four years ago at 57 3-8c, and five years ago at 60c.

D. and W. Smith have opened a butcher shop at McGregor, Man.

**WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.**

Wheat closed at 70 to 70 1-8c basis 1 hard. Fort William.

**LIVERPOOL WHEAT.**

Liverpool, Nov. 19.—Wheat closed 1-8d lower at 6s 1d Dec., 5s 9 1-4d May.

**CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.**

Chicago, Nov. 19.—Flax seed closed \$1.01 1-2 for cash and 97 1-2c for December; May, \$1.01 1-4.

**MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.**

Saturday, Nov. 19, No. 1 northern wheat closed at 63 3-4c November and 63 1-8c for December. Cash No. 1 northern 64 1-4c; cash No. 2 northern 61 3-4c.

**LAKE FREIGHT RATES.**

Freight rates on wheat, Fort William to Buffalo, are firmer, 2 1-2c per bushel was quoted the early part of the week, but later the tendency was higher, and 2 3-4c was asked.

**British Columbia Items.**

T. Forrest is opening a hotel at Cranbrook.

King & Co., of Kallispell, Wash., are opening in wall paper at Cranbrook. John Leask, tailor, has opened at Cranbrook.

Palmer & Oliver, stationery, etc., are opening at Cranbrook.

Wilcox & O'Reilly are starting a paper at Cascade City.

Mansfield & Co., butchers, have opened at Fernie.

Martin Bros. have sold their saw mill at Harrison River to Tretheway Bros.

Woodside & Marshall, grocers, Kamloops, have dissolved; Woodside's interest has been purchased by Harry Todd.

D. Riardon has opened a restaurant at Nelson.

Johnson & Campbell, general store, are opening at Russell.

F. C. Boles, hardware, Trail, is advertising to sell out.

Kaake & Williams, hardware, etc., Trail, are adding groceries and crockery.

R. A. Muskett, clothing, etc., Vancouver, sold to M. Grossman.

Smith & Ford, grocers, Vancouver, have dissolved; J. S. Smith continues.

J. K. Campbell, grocer, Vancouver, has sold out.

John May, grocer, is opening at Vancouver.

Deville, Sons & Co., grocers and furnishings, have started in business at Victoria.

Fire broke out in the engine room of No. 5 shaft of the Wellington coal mines near Nanaimo, B. C., on Nov. 11, and destroyed the entire compressor plant, engine room and boiler house. Loss estimated under \$15,000. There were between 120 and 150 men in the mine, but all escaped uninjured.

**The Live Stock Trade.**

Montreal, Nov. 18.—Cables received from Glasgow this week reported trade bad, sales of Canadian cattle being made at prices which showed a loss to shippers of fully \$8 per head.

Private cables from Liverpool on Thursday quoted the market rather better, and reported sales of cattle which netted a small profit to shippers.

There has been some demand for ocean freight to Liverpool and Glasgow by vessels sailing from Portland, and the rate paid to both ports is about 35s.



### TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Nov. 19.

Dry goods—More active with cooler weather. The feature of the week was the large Manitoba orders. English woollen goods are advancing on account of the scarcity of fine wools.

Hardware—Trade is satisfactory. Large shipments are being made to British Columbia and Manitoba. There are rumors of lower prices having been made for wire nails. More rope is selling. Window glass has advanced 10c to-day for star and 25c for double, on account of the loss of the stock carried by the steamer Westmeath, and the difficulty of getting orders filled in Europe. Scrap zinc is 1-4c dearer; and scrap iron is 5 to 10c lower. English spades and shovels are being imported.

Groceries—There is a good demand for general groceries. Refined sugars have advanced 10c per hundred pounds. Corn is strong, and an advance to \$ .25 is predicted for it. Teas are more active.

### TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Nov. 19.

The grain market is dull. Ontario wheat easier. Manitoba flour has declined 10c per barrel, and bran has advanced \$1 per ton. Fleece wool is easier. Hides firmer. Eggs 1c higher.

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$1.20. Manitoba bakers, \$3.90. Ontario straight roller, \$3.10 to \$3.20 per barrel in wood in car lots.

Wheat—Ontario red and white winter wheat, 68 to 69c for cars at country points; No. 1 hard, 81c to 82c; Toronto, No. 1 northern, 78 1-2 to 79 1-2c.

Oats—White 25 to 26 for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1 48 to 50c at country points; No. 2 45 to 46c.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$13.00 to \$14.00 per ton at country points. Bran, \$10 per ton.

Oatmeal—\$3.50 in bags per barrel and \$3.60 in wood for car lots.

Eggs—Fresh 15 to 16c, new laid 17 to 18c.

Butter—Dairy, tubs 13 to 14c; for choice fresh goods, medium grades, 10 to 12c. Creamery, tubs, 18c to 18 1-2c, prints 19 to 20c.

Cheese—9 1-2c for choice late fall make.

Hides—No. 1 green, 5 1-2c; cured, 9 sheepskins and lambskins, 60 to 75c, calfskins 8 to 10c; tallow, 3 to 3 1-4c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 14 to 15c; unwashed, 9 to 10c.

Beans—75 cents to \$1 per bushel as to quality.

Dressed hogs—\$5.10 to \$5.50 per 100 pounds for car lots of mixed weights.

Dried apples—3 1-2 to 4c for round lots; evaporated 8 to 8 1-4c.

Honey—Round lots 6 to 7c.

Poultry—Turkeys 6 to 9c; chickens 25 to 45c; geese, 5 1-2c.

### TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Nov. 15.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 60 carloads, including 1,600 sheep and lambs and 2,000 hogs.

Export cattle—Cables stronger and better prices were obtained for choice, which was quoted at \$3.75 to \$4.10.

Butchers' cattle—The light supply of choice resulted in higher prices. What offered were disposed of very quickly at \$3.75 to \$4. Common \$3 to \$3.25.

Bulls, heavy exporters, \$3.50 to \$3.60; light \$2.75 to \$3.

Stockers and feeders—Feeders easier, but only a few offered. Quoted at \$3.50 to \$3.75. Stockers for Buffalo in fair demand at \$3.25 to \$3.75.

Sheep and lambs—Offerings were a little heavier than anticipated. Sheep for export and butchers' sold at \$3 to \$3.35 per cwt. Spring lambs steady at \$1 to \$1.25 per cwt. Bucks firmer at \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt.

Hogs—About 2,000 offered and prices were firmer, the quality and weight being up to the mark. Choice bacon was quoted 15c higher and light and thick fats 10c.

### FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, Nov. 18.

Total offerings were 60 car loads, including 1,600 sheep and lambs and 2,500 hogs.

Export and butchers' cattle were firmer in price and the active demand for stockers for Buffalo continued. Bacon hogs were also firmer. Prices were about the same as at Tuesday's market.

### MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Nov. 19.

Compared with a week ago oats have advanced 1-2c, but a drop is anticipated next week, as the advance was due to a scarcity on spot to fill space. Flour is steady and active; bran is scarce and in good demand at an advance of \$1.00; lambskins are quoted at straight 70c; butter is firmer at last week's figures, and cheese remains unchanged.

Oats—No. 2 white, 31c in store; 32c afloat.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are. Manitoba strong bakers, \$4.10 to \$4.25; Manitoba patents \$4.40 to \$4.60.

Millfeed—Bran \$13.50 per ton; shorts \$14.50, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats \$1.70 to \$1.75 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8c to 10c; sheepskins, 40c to 50c; lambskins, 70c; tallow, 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c.

Eggs—15 to 16c per dozen.

Butter—Choice dairy, 11c to 11 1-2c, western dairy, 12 to 13c.

Butter—Creamery, in tubs, 17 3-4 to 17 7-8c; boxes, 18 to 18 1-4c.

Cheese—Choice western, 9 1-4 to 9 1-2; eastern, 9 to 9 1-8c.

Beans—85c to 95c per bushel as to quality.

Potatoes—Car lots, 50 to 55c per bag.

Dressed Poultry—Turkeys 8 1-2 to 9 1-2c, ducks, 7 1-2 to 8c; geese, 5 1-2 to 6 1-2c, chickens, 6 1-2 to 7 1-2c.

### MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Nov. 15.

Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 800 cattle and 1,200 sheep and lambs.

Receipts of cattle were in excess of the demand and a number were left over. The market was weaker and prices declined 1-4c per lb. Stockers were in demand for Buffalo account. Bulls sold at 13-4c to 2c; heifers at 2 1-4 to 2 1-2c, and steers at 2 3-4 to 3c per lb. Locally choice heaves sold at 4c, good, at 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c; and fair at 3 to 3 1-4c per lb, live weight. Sheep sold at 3 to 3 1-4c for choice and 1 22 to 2 3-4c for common to fair. Lambs realized 2 3-4 to 4 1-2c per lb, live weight, as

to grade. Calves sold at prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$9 each.

At the Grand Trunk stock yards selected hogs sold at \$1.35, heavy fat at \$1.25, light weights, at \$4, and stags at \$2 per 100 lbs, live weight, off cars.

### THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, Nov. 18.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 800 head, sheep and lambs, 800.

No choice cattle offered. Best grades were quoted at 4c and the others remained unchanged. Sheep and hogs quoted the same as at Monday's market.

### MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Nov. 19.

Glass is very firm. Cement is strong. Prices generally firm and unchanged as follows. White lead, government standard, 5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 4 1-2c; linseed oil, raw, 48 to 49c; boiled 51 to 52c; turpentine, 54 to 55c; bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50; tin plates, cokes, \$2.75 to \$2.90; l. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.75; Canada plates, \$2.10 to \$2.15; tern plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25, galvanized iron 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c, lead, \$3.75 to \$4; iron pipe 4 to 4 1-4c; putty in bulk, \$1.65; in bladders, \$1.80, ingot tin, 20c. Cement, English brands, \$3.30 to \$3.40. Germany, \$2.45 to \$2.55, and Belgium \$1.85 to \$1.95 per barrel, ex-wharf. Rope, sisal 10 to 10 1-2c. Manila, 11 1-2 to 12 1-2c for 7-16 size and larger.

### MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Nov. 19.

Trade in groceries is brisk and sugar stronger and more active. Granulated sugar has advanced 10c on the 100 lbs. and yellows 15c to 20c.

Quotations are: Granulated sugar, standard 4.50 per 100 lbs. at refineries; yellows 3.75 to \$1.25, molasses 30 to 32c, syrups 2 to 2 1-2c as to quality. Valencia raisins 4 3-4 to 5 1-2; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8c to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c, Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B., 3 3-4 to 4c.

### CHEESE MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Nov. 18.—Cheese, white, 43s 6d, colored 44s 6d. Compared with last week, the above figures give an advance of 1s 6d on white and 6d on colored.

### LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Nov. 18.—Cattle firmer at 10 3-4 to 11 3-4c for steers, estimated dressed weight.

### SUGAR.

London, Nov. 18.—Beet sugar is firmer. November 10s; December 10s 3-4d.

### ONTARIO CHEESE MARKETS.

London, Nov. 12.—(Special)—Twelve factories offered 1,789 boxes September, 2,855 boxes October and 200 boxes November. Sales, 374 boxes at 87-8c.

Receipts of wheat at Fort William a year ago last week were 1,000,000 bushels and shipments 1,250,000 bushels.