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J. Kirpen has opened a blacksmith shop at Silverton.
J. D. Borke, grocer, Winnipeg, has removed to St. Norbert.
Spence t Co., grocers, Winaipeg, are offering to dispose of their business.
Fpancis \& Black, general storekeepers, Headingly, have disselved partnership.
A. Gemarl, general storekceper, Virden, was closed out uader chattel mortgage.
C. Fraser, a northsto trader, sold his fur to the H. B. Co. at Edmonton, recently for $\$ 2,800$.
Paisley, Miller \& Carscader:, general storekecpers, Brandon, have assigned in trust.
W. A. Boll, hotelkeeper, Fort William, is out of business here ; removed to Port Arthur.
Laurexce \& Grainam have opened a carriage factory and blacksmithing establishment at Maple Creek, Assa.
A. R. Irwis, broker, Emerson, Man., will move to Brandon, where he will go into Cus. toms brokering, insurance, etc.
Hodder \& Mostgomerx, merchant tailors, Port Arthur, have dissolved partnership; Montgomery continuing the business.
The Macleod board af trade will protest, in a memorial to the Dominion Goverament, aszinst the timber regulations now being enforced in the torritorics.
The partnership subsisting between W. G. Hulse and Thoman Manley, blacksmiths and carriáge builders, Winnipeg, has been dissolved. The basiness will in future bo carited on by W. G. Hule alono.

The store of A. J. Ellis, Boissevain, Man., was sot on fire recently ly an incendiary, but the fire was discovered and extinguished before any sorious damage had been done.

Tue St. P., M. \& M. railway has put on a fast froight fruit sorvice botween St. Paul and Winnipeg. Consignments of fruits, vegetables, flowers, etc., can be dolivered in forty hours.

The revised assessinent of Victoria, B.C., shows the assessable property to bo over nine inillions; exempted property $\$ 900,000$. This is an increase of four millions over last years assessment.

Larfhrty \& Smith, bankers, of Calgary and other points in the torritories, have opened a branch at Vancouver, B.C. W. E. Green, late of the Hudson's Bay Co. is manager of the new branch.
R. C. Clay, of Rapid City, has been granted a license for his hotel after much delay. The H. B. Co., of Russell, has been refused license, and the applications for licenses from Shoal Lake have been held over.
Tue friends of Thos. Nixon, Jr., of Nixon \& Co., wholesalo boots and ghoes, Winnipeg, will regret to hear of the death of Mrs. Nixon, which took place on Sunday last. Mr. Nixon will have the sympathy of many friends in his aflliction.
Gophers' tails, for which a boanty is being paid in many rural municipalities in Nanitoba, are becoming a legal tender in some parts of the country. It is said store-kecpers in some districts have been accepting gopher tails in paymént for goods.
Lempers patent have been issued incorporating W. J. Mitchell, W. R. Allan, Joseph E. Hannah, Henry T. Champion and Heber Archibald under the name of "The Electric Light and Power Company of Vinnipeg, Limited."
A party of 466 Icelandic settlers arived in Winnipeg last week, direct from Iceland. They will settle in Manitoba. It its said that there are about 6,000 Icelanders in this Province. The Icclanders as a rule make good settlers, and they are generally appreciated here.
At the Bank of British Columbia meeting in London, England, last week a dividend of six per cent. and a bonus of one per cent. was adopted. Sir Charles Tupper commented on the prosperous condition of the bank. He said his recent visit to the Pacifichad convinced it was a splendid province.
Macleod Gazelte:-There is to be a special meeting of the Alberta Stockgrowers' Association on Saturday, July 27th, to consult with Dr. MeEachrau, Dominion Veterinary Inspector, on the subject of Anthrax; and to discuss the advisability of appointing stock inspectors at the points on the C. P. R. from which cattle are shipped.
A londos cablegram reccived on Friday says: Morton, Rose \& Co. offer 5500,000 six per cent bonds of the Qu'Appelle \& Long Lake railway at par. The Camadian Pucific undertakes to form the line. It is taken for granted that the company will exercise power to absorb the line ati the ond of gix years, redcoming the bonda at 110 ,

Lathans \& Sows have started a brick yard at Lethbridge, and the price of brick there has been reduced to $\$ 10$ per thousand owing to compotition.

Esbly last week it was reported by cable from London that the Canada Anthracito Coal Company, owning the coal lands at Banff, Alberta, and vicinity, had sold out to a British syndicate for $\$ 1,480,000$. A later cable says: Furthor information receivod hero from a ropresentative in England of tho Canadian Anthracite Coal Company is that Sir Charles Tupper is a principal member of the purchasing syndicate. A meeting of the coal company and ropresentatives of the purchasing company for the former transfer of the property has been arranged to be held at Winnipeg on August 15. McLeod Stewart, mayor of Ottawa, and James Moore, chief Gorernment mining engineer of Scotland, are to arrive in New York from Eng. land next week. Mr. Stewart ropresents the selling company, and Mr. Moore will go with him to the west to look over the lands on behalf of the purchasers.
The Winnipeg city council seems to have at last decided to move in the scheme for the utilizing of the water-power on the Assiniboine river, within the city limits. At the last meeting of the council, the special committes ap. pointed to look into the matter reported, recommending that the construction of the work be proceeded with by the city under the direct supervision and control of a board of three commissioners to be appointed by the council, the board to have authority to let contracts, supervise construction, and to operate the same upon completion. This report was adopted, and a by-law was introduced, providing for the issuc of debentures to the amount of $\$ 400,000$ to carry out the work. A small interim ap. propriation was voted, to enable the work of completing surveys to be proceeded with at once, pending the voting upon the by-law.
Vavcouver, B.C., has a strike in full swing among the journeymen carpenters of that city, and from the reports of the trouble appearing in the Pacific coast papers, it would appear that the strikers are likely to come off victorious. The strike has been brought about by a demand on the part of the men that nine hours shall constitute a day's work, without any corres. ponding reduction in wages. The plasterers have followed the example of the carpenters and stopped work, and masons and bricklayers aresaid to ve likely to follow suit. The contractors proposed a compromise by allowing two heurs on Saturday afternoon es a part Holiday, and further agreeing to adopt the nine hours' $s$ stem after the first of October, so that contracts in hand would bo worked out under the old system. This arrangement the men have refused, and they appear to bo confident of winning their full demands. Some of the contractors have slready it is said given in to: tho demands of the men, and as it is claimed workmen cannot be procured elsewhere, the success of the strike is looked upon as very probable by the coast paper, though of course a fow days may change the aspect of the case. It appears that the nino hours' system is pretty generally adopted in the Pacific coast cities of tho United States, and no doubt this has influenced the atrikers in Vancouver.
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The Portas-Lileral is more honest than many of its contemporarics. It says: Last week we copied an article from the Cos. mercial, Wimnipeg, and forgot to credit it to the proper source. Though we have received no reminder of our omission, we prefer to make this explanation." Tue Commercial cau readily compreheud the publication of a copied article, without the usual credit, as the same thing has happiened more than once in this journal, much to the chagrin of the editor. The systematic appropriation of articles from other papers, however, without giving credit, is a dishonorablo custom, and one which is an injury to the journal following such tactics.

IT is pleasing to note that an attempt is about to be made to establish the hop.growing industry in Manitoba. It is stated that a Mr. Snellgrove, of Mrighton, Ont., has leased land near Portage la Prairie and will next spring begin the cultivation of hops, with the idea of supplying the trade througho:t Manitoba and the west. A sufficient quantity of roots will be shipped in from the east as soon as the spring arrives, to plant fifteen acres of land, and if everything works satisfactorily it is the intention to plant an increased area the following season. The success of the enterprise can hardly be questioned if carried out in a proper manner. The adaptability of Manitoba for hop.growing has frequently been poiuted out, and the wonder is that the cultivation of hops has not been entered upon here ere this. Wild hops of good quality, it is well known, grow and thrive iu this province.
Tue town of Port Ari:ur, Ontario, has voted a bonus of $\$ 25,000$ to the Port Arthus, Duluth \& Western Railway. The sum of $\$ 200,000$ mentioned in the telegram last week was an crror. The Port Arthur people hase great hopes upon the construction of this road, and what it is going to do for their town. The large majority vote in favor of the bonus shows the general favor with which the road is regarded at Port Arthur. The board of trade also strongly endorsed the bonus scheme. The projectors of the road intimated that they
would not likely be able to go on with the undertaking, at least this season, unless the bonus were granted, but with the bonus once voted, they assured the clectors that 50 miles of the rond wouid be built at once. Both the Dominion and Provincial Governments have granted substantial aid to this road, and with the local aid now offered, the projectors should be able to go on with their enterprise. The road is in. tended to develop the rich minernl country extending southwest from Port Arthur. We hope the road may prove every benefit to Port Arthur which the residents of that place seem to expect from its construction.

A selw difticulty has arisen in the ranching districts of Alberta, in the troubles between the ranchers and homestead settlers. The fact is not disguised that the large ranchers are ad. verse to the settlement of the country by furmers, who come in to cultivate the soil and carry on operations in farming or mixed farming and stock raising. The ranchers would prefer to have the country remain open and unsettled $\rightarrow$ d wide, uncultivated plain, over which their herds could graze at pleasure. On the other hand the villago people are interested in secing the country more closely settled than it ever can be as a merely range region. Under the new zystem of leasing lauds to ranchers, settlers are permitted to enter and homestead on such leased lands, and carry on farming operations thereon, notwithstanding the existence of the lease. Partics holding leases are required not to throw any obstacles in the way of settlers entering upon such lands. It now appears that some of the large leaseholders are fencing their heldings, and this is looked upon as an interference with settlers, or a hindrance to the further settlement upon leased lands. Certainly it would seem that actual settlers would not care about homesteading upon lands so enclosed, and if the fencing of lands covered by lease is found to be a hindiance to settiement, something should be done to provide a remedy therefor. When it is stated that some of these leases cover as much as 100,000 acres of land, it will be seen


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that the question is a very important one. Anything which tends to retard the settlement of such large tracts of land, should be dis. couraged and removed if possible.

Tue Brandon Sun, with a good deal of logic, continues to argue against the dual school sys. tems in vogue in Manitoba. Nearly all the territorial papers .-e also doing their best to call the attention of the Dominion to the evils of the dual school system as it exists in the territories. Really, it would seent that in this free und enlightened country, a national system of education should be preferable to a dual and sectarian system. If the sectarian system is wrong, now, while the country is young is the time to remedy any evils and lay the founda. tion sure and soid. The people of the east, who are now agitating the school question in their own provinces, should at the same time bring pressure to bear upon the Dominion Government, with a view so remedying the situation in the territorics. There is one very weighty argument against the dual school sys. tem in Manitoba and the territories, which does not have the same force in the castern province. This is the question of economy in public education. In western Canada with its small population scattered over a vast extent of territory, it is a very expensive matter to provide necessary educational facilities. In spite of this, we find that in districts where the population is scarcely large enough to sup. port one school, an attempt is being made to keep up two schools. This is one of the evils of the sectarian school system in the west. Education, at best a burden in a new and thinly settled country, is made doubly burdensome by this apparently unnecessary dual system of education. In a free and civilized country, it should be almost the first duty of the government to provide a system of public education for its subjects of the rising gencration. In a country of various religious differences, what more natural, then, than that tho Government should provide a national system oí public instruction, entirely free in all its departments from clerical or sectarian influences:

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Although we would not like to teach the doctrine that every man should be treated as a rogue until he has been thoroughly testerl, yet it is evident that over confidence has and is constantly being abused. It is often the case that men havefound out when toolate, that they have hul too much confidence ii those with whom they have been assuciated in a business way. Humanity at best is fail, and the desire to possess oneself of the goods of others, is a crime which too often overcomes many men who perhaps for years have borne the best reputation, and also have been looked upon as trustworthy and confidential employes, or upright men of businese. . That such is the case is a matter for regret, and however repulsive the very discussion of such a subject must be, yet it doe; not do to shut our eyes to the facts as they are being made manifest every day. In western vernacular; it does not pay to be too "fresh." Over confidence in humanity, or "freshness," as it is termed, of the ways of the world, has been the ruin of many, commercially and financially, and also socially and morally. While it is with anything but pleasant feelings that these lines are written, yet it is with the belief that the case warrants the assertions made.

These thoughts have been induced by reading reports of sever:' unique steals which have occurred recently. A short time ago it was discovered that a manager of an elevator company at Minneapolis had for a long time practised a systematic mode of robbing his company. His plan was to abstract grain from the elevator by means of spouts or traps, hidden from the observation of those who might be about theelevator. In this way thedishonest manager was enabled to rob the company of several car lots of wheat. This slight but steady drain upon the contents of the elevator went on for years before it was discovered, but in the end it wound up in the way that such dishonesty usually ends. Since the discovery of the Minneapolis elevator robbery, a similar system of dishonesty has been found out in comnection with a Buffalo elevator. Still another and-more wholesale system of plundering has been discovered in connection with
the great lumber industry of Bay City, Michigan. Ships loading at that port have, it appears, been carrying away thousands of feet of lumber in excess of the amount which they were supposed to take. This has been made possible by a combination apparently between the official inspectors of the port and the consignees, the shipper of course losing the difference between the inspectors figures and the real amount taken. . In one instance it has been discovered that 12,000 feet of lumber had been approprinted in this way, and in another instanco over 9,00 feet excess cargo was learned of.

These instances of roguery are almost of daily report, and it behooves men having a good deal at stake, to be on their guard. It is but right that men should know the habits and mode of life of those whom they would place in positions of trust. Undue extravagance on the part of a person in such a position is often $n$ bad feature, for though the man may not be naturally dishonest, yet there is nothing like extmiagance to lead a man into dishonesty. The matter is one, however, in which no precise rules nor instruction can be given. Every man must rely largely on his own judgment and forethought. It is a good plan, however, to make friends of trusted employes, as much as the circumstances of the case will admit of. Also note whether employes seem to take a persomal interest in their work. Employers must be honest and frank themselves, if they would wish the best results from their employes. While using caution, lo not be always suspicious; and never resort to any little mean tricks, with the object of learning about your employes. In other business matters adopt the same course. Be prudent, without showing a mean suspicion of everything ; but at the same time do not be too easily gulled. Do not be afraid to say no! with a big $N$ if occasion may require, when nsked to endorse a note, or place your autograph upon a bit of accommodation paper. Men who are gulled through weakness or lack of firmnes3, rather than owing to bad judgment, often merit the misfortune which may overtake them. Schemes with "millions in them," usually presented by an individual who carries a stock-in-trade in this line, but who often requires a little money to pay his over-due board bill, are rarely worth considering. In all schemes rely on your own judgment first, rather than upon the interested advice of others.

But though there are hords of individmals who are always ready to rob and scheme the freshman out of his wealth, and if possible deceive the most cautious and conservative business men, yet society is not entirely composed of this class. There are many men in all the walks of life, who value honor more lighly than wealth, or the distinctions which too often accompany wealth, even when this wealth has been acquired in a shady manner. There are thousands of men who would not bear the reproach of dishoner for all the distinction and luxury which unlimited wealth could bring. It is therefore not necessary to preach the doctrine to treat every man as a rogue; but there is quite enough roguery in the world to render the exercise of caution and calm juclgment always necessary. Do not believe everything you hear, nor in everything which appears from a superficial examination to be all right. Do not be too "fresh."

## THB WHBAT GROD OUTLOOR.

A great deal of interest is centering at the present time in the general wheat crop outlook. In Canada, so far as can be estimated at this time, there is likely to be a full crop, though the aspect may be considerably changed yet l,efore the crọp is all snfely garnered. In Manitola owing to drought and high temperature the crop will certainly be short, even with the most favorable weather from this time forward. Here the most reliable reports would lead to the conclusion that a half a crop over the full acreage, is about what can bo expected. Eastern Canada is likely to produce a large crop, the conditions being very considerably better than last year. Altogether, therefore, it is likely that the wheat crop of Canada will $u$ f fulliz up to the average.

In the United States the crop varies from good in some States to very poor in others, like Canada, the most unfavorabie reports coming from tha hard spring wheat regions. Drought and remarkablp high temperature has done a great deal of danage in north and south Dakota. On some days the teimperature has reached $98^{\circ}$ to $100^{\circ}$, and with the soil very dry the crop. must have suffered severely. Wheat as a rule has not stooled well. G. D. Rogers in the Northwestern Mille. says, only 1 or 2 staks, where there should be 4 , have appeared from each berry. Rains have been mostly of a local nature this year, and some small districts where
rain fell, will havo a fair crop, but there are only patches here and there At a meeting of the state farmer's alliance of Dakota, it was estimated that South Dakota would likely give about 45 per cent. of a full crop. In North Dakota the outlook is so bad that it was decided not to muke any crop estimates, as it would injure immigration prospects. It may therefore be concluded that the wheat prospect in North Dakotn is decicedly bad. In some sections it is suid there is practically nothing worth cutting. Minnesota has faired much butter tian Dakota this year. Some districts have sufiered from drought, but the State as a whole is expected to returu a good crop. In southern Minnesota the harvest is now at hand, and in some counties the crop reports are better than for years. In Dakota thousands of acres of wheat have been plowed up. A report to Clicago Daily Business on July 9th, which places the crop of Dakota as a whole at 64 per cent. of su average, says:
"A careful analysis of the very voluminous reports from the Dakotas, embracing every county in the principal wheat sections, makes it certain that the partially ruined districts are unfortunately quite extensive, and the condition is such now that very little betterment can be expected, whatover the moisture and weather may be from now to the harvest."

The United Stotes Government report for July gives a very poor report for Dakota, and places the general average at 62. In some sections, the report says, wheat is heading out with straw six inches high. Montana, Idaho and Washington Territory are said to be very low. Wisconsin, which is an unimportant wheat State, gives a good record, the average being placed at 95 . Iowa 97 , Nebraska 95 and Minuesota 87.

Winter wheat is now harvested, the threshers are at work, and the movement of new wheat promises to be considerable during this month. Of the winter wheat the last Government report says:
"The straw is generally short and unusually well headed and plump in grain, though in some places it is somewhat shriveled. The average of condition of priacipal states are us follows: Now York, 96; Penosylvanis, 96; Virginia, 90; Georgia, 94; Texas, 86; Tennes. see, 95 ; Keutucky, 88; Ohio, 88; Michigan, 89; Indiana, 89; Illinois, 94; Missouri, 94; Kansae, 98; Californis, 97."

With the movement of new wheat estimates of the total crop of the United States are now being freely made. 'the Oincinnati Price Current esiimates the entire winter wheat crop for this year at $310,000,000$ bushels, and the spring
whent crop at $165,000,000$ bushels, or a total winter and spring wheat crop of $475,000,000$ bushels. The figures concerning the spring wheat crop, however, cannot be considered as very certain at this early date. Based on the last Government report, Tuly lst, as compared with the everage condition at the same dute in previous years, the crop would indicate a somewhet larger return, the Price Curient estimation a total winter and spring wheat crop of $490,000,000$ bushels, on a basis of the crop averages, as shown by the official report.

These figures, if realized, point to a total crop in the United States for 1889 , amounting to $60,000,000$, to 70,000 ,000 bushols in excess of last year. It would, therefore, appear that there is likely to be a plentiful supply of wheat on the continent for all requirements for the next twelve months providing the estimates made prove reliable.

## PROTECTION IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Last week and also this week we give some space to the annual meeting of tho British Columbia Board of Trade of Victoria. It will be noticed from the reports furnished, that the gentlemen comprising the board, who may, no doubt, be classed among the leading business men of the province, have been devoting considerable thought to the subject of our trade relationship with the United States. Notwithstanding the existence of the Canadian Pacific railway, which connects British Columbia with the rest of the Dominion, the peop!c of the Pacific Province still feel themselves isolated from the other portions of Canada to a great extent. and they further feel that their trade interests are intimately associated with the states of their own const. The population of the province is mainly ou the coast, where it is in daily and almost hourly contact with the states to the south. Communication between the states and the province is easy and rapid. On the other hand, several hundred miles of mountainous and sparsely settled country in their own province, separates the coast settlements from the prairie country to the east. Ever when the prairie region is reached the population is very small and scattered over a vast extent of country. Nearly a thousand miles of travel is necessary to reach the more closely settled portions of the prairie country, even after the mountain barriers have bean passed. Ther another long journey of 1,000 to 2,000 miles more is necessary to reach the centres of population in eastern Carada. The opening of the Pacific railway has brought considerable intercourse between the Pacific coast settlements and the country to the east, and the protective tarriff has forced a considerable trade movement beiveen the two livisions; but this forcing of trade into
new and sometimes unnatural channels' is no doubt ono of the things which has brought inconvenience, if not injury upon the Pacitic const people.

Considering the injury which the fiscal policy of the country must ontail upon British Columbia, owing particularly to its geographical position, the people of that province have been very moderate in their demands for a relaxation of the tarriff. The language of the board of trade in the present instance, upon the question, is very moderate. The report of the board says:
Your committee would direct attention to certain circumstances which tend to retard tho development of our resources, and in some cases practically prohibit the investment of capital for that purpose. First-An unduly severe customs turriff under which our food supply, as well as other necessaries or life, aro so heavily taxed as to prohibit the adoption of a scale of wages approximating that current elsewhere in the Dominion. Second-The abeence of a neighboring market for our products. Although hatilly coming within the scope of the daties imposed tipon your committee to offer any suggestions as to the menns of best meeting the dufficulties which have thus arisen, thoy would still venture to recommend that the Board continue to strongly repesent, in the proper quarter, the disadvantages to which this povince is hy reason of its isolated position subjected, us compared with the other component parts of the Dominion, and to press its claim to receive that consideration which its vast natural wealth and varied resources entitle it to demand.
This expression on the part of the board puts the situation in a nutshell. The necessities of life, which must be largely imported into British Columbia, have either to pay the customs duties or be subject to high freight rates in transit from the east. The absence of a near market for the export products of the province is the next serious drawback. This of course is owing to the customs tarriff of the United States, and to tho lack of large population in the adjoining portions of Canada. Take the fisnery question for instance. British Columbia has great wealth awaiting development in her tisheries. The difficulty in the way, however, is a market for that fish. The population of Munitoba and the territories is as yet too small to fefiord such a market as is required for the development of the fisheries on any considerable scale. The old provinces of Canada are to far away, and besides are well supplied from the fisheries of the Atlantle coast. There is a good market in the United States, convenient to British Columbie, but here the tarrifi comes in to snut out the fish. What is true of the fisheries is also true to some extent of the lumber industry, and may apply to mining in some departments, the three industries named being the principal resources of British Columbia. In time ilanitoba and the territorics will afford a considerable narket for the products of British Columbia, as the population of the prairie region increases, but an immediace market on a large scale cau only be sought in the United acates, and this latter market is at present barred by a high-tarriff wall.


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## WIINIPEG MCNRP MARKBT.

The money market situation is a very dull and uninteresting ous at prosent, and from all appearances is likely to remain so for some time. There seems to be but light circulation of funds, and tho call being made frem all quartors for monoy is small. The usual conmercial discount business is doing, luat even this is lower than usual. Real estate Joan business is slow, and there is some disposition, in view of the poor crop prospects, to abstain from pushing business in this direction for tho present. Good loans would of course not be rofused, but greater caution is being exercised. Wholesale merchants complain of collections a good deal, but at this season romittances from the country are not expected to be very free.

## TINNIPBG WHOLBSALE TRADR.

Trado, taken all around, may be described ns dull, in eity wholesale circles. There are a few oxcoptions is the rule, but these are very few. Dulness provails in most lines, and there are very few features of speciul importance to note, as affecting any brauches. This condi. tion of things is likely to prevail to a greater or less extent until aftor harvest. At present there is less despondency than there was a short time ago, over the crop outlook, and the situation has resolved itself down into one of await the result calmly and hope for the best. Reports as to the condition of crops have been so contradictory of late that many have given over speculating upon the outlook, and decided to wait the outcome. The favorable weather of the past few werks has also greatly revived drooping hopes, and many are commencing now to think that things are not nearly so bad as they might bo. A good many orders will doubtless be cancelled, but this is not looked upon as an unmixed evil. Though of course it is a dieappointment to dealers to have the orders on theiribooks cancelled, yet it is considered that it will assist in preventing overstocking, which latter is one of the worst features of retail trade in the west. It is also expected that the sorting trade later on will be better from the cancellation of orders now. At any rate, it is not in the interest of the wholesale trade as a whole, to dispose of more goods than can be absorbed by the country, and light buying now will leave the country trade in better shape than if the opposite policy were pursued.

## FOKS.

The fur trade is now pretty well over for the present, and fow more lots are expected to arrive this scason. Prices are steady as follows; Beaver, C0c to $\$ 6$ per skin; cubs do. 25 c to S1.50; badger, 10 c to $\$ 1.50$; black back, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 22$; cubs, do. $\$ 1$ to $\$ 5 ;$ browa bear, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 18$; grizzly bear, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 16$; cubs, do. 20 to 70 c ; timber wolf, 50 c to $\$ 2.50$; prairie wolf, 25 c to $\$ 1$; wolverine, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 5$, as to color and quality; fisher, 50 c to $\$ 6$; red fox, 20 c to $\$ 1.60$; kit fox, 10 c to 50 c ; cross fox, Sl . to $\$ 5$ silver and black ox, $\$ 10$ to $\$ 60$, as to beauty and condition of skin; martin, dark, 50c to \$2.50; martin, yellow or pale, 25 c to $\$ 1$; mink, 20c to \$1; muskrat, 6e to loce; otter, \$1.50 to $\$ 7.50$; skunk, 10 c to 65 c . Prices all per skin.

## fruits-orrra.

Business keeps fairly good in this branch, as it is expected to be at this time of the year. Oranges were getting scarce toward tho close of last week, and stocks in the market this week may be pretty light with prices firmer. The season is now about over. Following are the principal varioties in the markot, with prices. Lemons, $\$ 7$ to $\$ 7.50$ per box ; Oranges -Fancy Riverside Mediterranean Sweots, \$7; fancy Rivorside St. Michaols, $\$ 7.50$. Rodi Oranges, in half boxes, 54.00 ; Apples, \$5. 50 to $\$ 0$ per barrel, boxes notioffered; Plums, $\$ 3$ per box; peachos, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3$ per box; Fananas-Port Limon, $\$ 3$ to $\$ .50$ a bunch, according to quality and site; tomatoes, per crate, $\$ 2.25$ or $\$ 1.15$ box: Mclons, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 5$ por dozen, or $\$ 35.06$ to $\$ 15.00$ per 100; cucumburs, 00 to 75 c per dozen; ouions-Egyptian, in 100 lb . crates, per crate, $\$ 6$; Bermuda, in 50 lb . crates, per crate, $\$ 2.50$.

## froits-dnied, nots, atc.

A sharp advance is noted in dried apples, ant craporated apples. Dried apples are now quoted at $0 \frac{1}{2}$ to 0 c per found, and evaporated at 8 to 8 l c . Figs-choice in 10 lb . boxes, per $\mathrm{lb} ., 15 \mathrm{c}$; in lb. certoons, per doz., $\$ 1.75$; dates-Persian, in 50 lb . boxes, per $1 \mathrm{~b} ., 10 \mathrm{c}$; Fard, in 15 lb . boxes, per 1 lb ., 12c; California dried fruit-fancy apricots, in 95 lb . boxes, per $1 \mathrm{lb} ., 19 \mathrm{c}$ : fancy peeled peaches, 25 lb . boxes, per lb., 22;; white apricots, do, 21c; Nuts, S. S. Taragona Almonds, 20 c per 1 lb ; Grenoble walnuts, 18 c ; filberts, Sicilian, extra large, 15c; pecars, polished Texas, 17 c : peanuts, white Virginia, green, 15c; roasted, 17 c .

## groceribs.

Trade is steady in this branch, and prices all round are stationery. Quotations are as follows: Sugars, yellows, $: s$ to 9 zc ; granulated, $10 \neq$ to 10 hc ; lumps, 11 fc . Coffecs-Rios, from 22 10 25 c : Java, 25 to 30 c ; Old Govornment 33 to 34 c ; Mochas, 32 to 35c. Teas, Japan 23 to 46c ; Cougous, 22 to 60 c ; Indian teas, 35 to 60 c ; young hyson, 26 to 50 c. T. and B. tobacco, 58c per pound ; P. of W., butes 47 c ; P. of W. caddies, 47 zc ; Honeysuckle, 78, 55c ; Brier, 7s, 530 ; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d. thick Solace, 6s, 48c ; Brunette Solace, 12s, 48c.; Beaver, G1c; Oldcrow, 47c; Woodcock, 52d; Silver Ash, 62; Standard Kent"oky, 80d. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, $\$ 50$; Mikado, $\$ 40$, Terrier, $\$ 30$ per 1000 .

> HDDES, WOOL AND TALLOW.

Hides are dull and steady in price. Wool unchanged. Quotations are: Hides, Winnipeg inspected, No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3c ; No. 3, 2 c per Ib. Calf, 7 to 13 pound skins are quoted at 4 to 5 c . Deacon skins, 10 to 20 c each, the lower price for cut skins. Sheepskins 25 to 55 c each as to quality, for old. New, lately killed skins, with long wool are worth 75 to $80 c$, but few of this sort offering. Sheared skins, 5 to 10 c each. Lambskins, 15 c each. Tallow quoted: rough, 2 a to 3 c rendered 5c. ; wool, low rades, 9 to $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; shrop. shire and Southdowns, 11 to 12 c ; washed, 15 c . hardware and metals.
Business has fallen off recently in this branch, and is now quiet. Prices have not changed; but are firm in all classes of goods, with
dvances not uulooked for. Prices aro: Cut nails, 10d, and upwards, $\$ 3.30$ to $\$ 3.40$; I. C. tin plates, $\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 0.25$; I. C. tin plates double, $\$ 11$ to $\$ 11.50$; Canada plates, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.03$; sheot iron, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 5.50$, according to grado; iron pipe. net pieces, 1 inch, 9 tic; If inch, 12 c ; 14 inch, 15 ! $\mathrm{c} ; 2$ inch, 23 zo ; ingot tin, 29 to 30 o per lb., bar iron, $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.25$ per 100 lbs.; shot, 6.5 to 6 ; per Ib .; tarred folt $\$ 2.4 \mathrm{~J}$ to $\$ 3.50$ per 100 lbs ; barbed wira, 03 z nott. l,ombrr.
Tho interesting featuro of the lumber situation is centred in the $l_{0}$ movement. In the Lake of tho Woods district nbout ono third of the logs cut last winter wre hung up. Reports were circulated last week that there was a good prospect of getting these logs out, but these reports were contradicted later on. Howover, a sufficient quantity of logs have been secured to keep mills going for somo time, and it is likely the cut will no: fall as short as was ex. pected even if no more logs are got out. If the demand does not pick up, there will bo plenty lumber for all requirements, notwithstanding the difficulty in floating the logs Price at tho mills, on cars, aro unchanged and are as follows: Dimension- $2 \times 4$ to 12x12, 12 to 16 ft long, $\$ 15$; do 10,13 , and 20 ft long, \$16. Sl per M advance on each itich over 12 inch surface. 50 cents par $M$ advanes on each foot over the abovo length to 24 fect long. $\$ 1$ per $M$ advance on each foot over 24 feet long. Surfacing, 50 cents per M ; Surfacing an.l sizing, $\$ 1.00$ per M. Boards-lst, common, rough, $\$ 10.50$, dressed, $\$ 17.50$; 2nd common rough \$15, dressed, S16; Culls, rough, \$11; dressed, $\$ 12$; lst common, stock, 12 in, rough, \$19, dressed, $\$ 20$; do, $8 \times 10 \mathrm{in}$, rough, $\$ 18$, dressed, $\$ 19$; 2nd common, 12 in , rough, $\$ 17$, dressed, $\$ 18$; do, $8 \times 10$ inch, rough, $\$ 16$, dressed, \$17. Ten feet long and under, $\$ 1$ leas per MI. Shiplap-10 inch, $\$ 17.50 ; 8$ inch, $\$ 17$. 8 and 10 inch flooring and sidin; at $\$ 1$ per M advance. Siding, ceiling and flooring - lst, 6 inch, $\$ 29$; 2nd. do, $\$ 2 \mathrm{j}$; 3rd, do, $\$ 21$; 4th, do, $\$ 18$; $1 \mathrm{st}, 5$ inch, $\$ 29$; 2nd, do, $\$ 25$; 3rd do, $\$ 20$ : 4th do, $\$ 17$; 1st, 4 inch, $\$ 29$; Ind do, $\$ 25$; 3rd do, \$19; 4th do, \$16. \$1 per 15 advance for dressing on both sides. \$1 per M less for lengths 10 feet and under. Bevel Siding No. 1,1 st siding $\frac{t}{}$ in. $x 6$ in, $\$ 20$; No. 2, 2nd, 817. Stock No. 1, $\$ 35$; No. 2, $\$ 30$; No. $3 \$ 25$. Clear, 1 inch-lst and 2ad, $\$ 40$; 3rd, $\$ 32$. Finishing, clear- $14,1 \frac{1}{2}$, and 2, inch-lst and 2nd, clear, \$45; 3rd, \$40; selects, \$30; shop, \$25. Mouldings-Window Stops, per 100 feet lineal, $\$ 1.00$; Parting Strips, do, 60 ets; $\ddagger$ round and cove, per 10, feet lineal, 75 cts. Casing-4 inch, 0 G., per 100 feet lincal, $\$ 1.75$; 5 in, do, $\$ 2.25$; $6 \mathrm{in}, \mathrm{do}, \$ 2.50$; 3 inch, 0. ©., base, $\$ 3.50$; 10 in , do, $\$ 4.25$. Latu, $\$ 2.00$. Shingles-1st quality, $\$ 3$; 2nd do, $\$ 2.50$; 3rd do, $\$ 1.50$; 4th du. S1. Dealers are requested to order by number. No delivered prices.
paints, olls and colors.
Prices are quoted as follows: Turpentine in barrels, 83 e per gallon; linseed oil i- barreis, raw 6ic, boiled 70c; benzine and gasuine, 5 ll , pure oxide paints, in barrels, 90 c per gallon. coal tar, $\$ 6$ a barrel; Port-land cenent, \$4.75
a bairel; Michigan plaster, $\$ 3.40$ a barrel; putty, in bladders, 3ke a pound, bulk in barrels, 3c; whiting in barrele, $\$ 1.50$ a cwt; Crown pure white lead, $\$ 7.50$; Roya Charter, $\$ 7.00$; Railroad, $\$ 6.50$; Alabastine, $\$ 7.50$ per case of 20 packages. Window flobs, arst break, \$2.10.

## GRAIN AMD PROYISION MAREETS. WINNIPEG. <br> wheat

Wheat was considerably firmer and more active during the first three days of last week at leading wheat centres, but the succeeding days were rather dull, and prices lagging. Up to Wedneeday a gaiu of about 3e had been made. Receipts of new winter wheat at St. Louis and other southern markets have not been as large as wes expected, and speculators who sold now wheat for July delivery have been obliged to buy back. Rains, it is claimed have delayed threshing. The visible supply at the first oi last week was down to the low figures of $12,711,139$ bushels, against $22 ; 418,203$ bushels a year ago. The decrease in the visiole, as shown by the statement on Monday, was. 1,235,000 bushels. Exports from Atlantic ports for the week ended July 13, were 1,266,050 $l$ ushels, including finur. These were all strong features, and with contibued fairly liberol buying on foreign account, the markets were well sustained. On Tuesday considerable excitement was occasioned by the publication in New York aud Chicago of an article from the London Times, which hal been cabled from London, on the crop situation in Europe. The main features of the article were the statements that latest advices from Bombay show that India will have little or no wheat for export; that Russia, Austria, Roumania and Eastern Germany will not reise more than enough to feed themselves, that western Europe and the United Kingdom will raise $\mathbf{5 0 , 0 0 0 , 0 0 0}$ bushels more than last year, that Odessa grancries are aluost empty, etc., etc. The article concludes with the statement that the great importing connsries of Europo will be moro at the inercy of America this year than usual. The publication of this article was followed by many reports of a more or less contradictory nature. However at this carly date it will not do to base expectations of big prices on rumors of a crop failure in Eastern Furope. When so little confidence can be placed in crop reports at home, what can be thought of rumors from abroad:
The local situation has not grown any leas hopesul sinec our last report, but if onything has improved, the weather havisig been very favorabis to the development of the iseads to the hest possible advantage. Good showers of rain were experienaed during the week, followed by some cool days. Of course the rains have come too late to ensure a good crop, and it is inpossible now to put several straks whero there is only one, or to increase the stand of grain; but the faworable weather will make what there is mature to the best sulvantage. A great many ficlds of grain in some sections, howerer, were entirely past rocovery licfore the rains came, and they will bo uscless nader any
conditione. There are other districts which will havo a good averngo crop, and ofher sections where the stand of grain is saill to be better than for years. Altogether the crop situation is a vary mixed one this year, owing to the fact that rains this season were, mostly of a local nature and to other causes, and it is practically impossible to give a reliable crop estimato for the comutry as a whole. Some damaged grain used for seed will also, no doubt, account for the existence of many fields which a:c a total partial failure, while close by aro other fields which will give a good, and in some instances even a big crop. With favorablo weather harvesting is expected to commence generally between the first and tenth of August. flode.
Prices were somewhat unsettled last wee.s in high grade flour, and there may be further charges in quotations soon. Prices to the local trade in broken lots are as follows: Patents, $\$ 2.50$; strong bakers, $\$ 2.60$; second bakers, $\$ 2.35$; XXXX, $\$ 1.90$; superfine, $\$ 1.30$. Graham flour, $\$ 2.60$; middlings, $\$ 2.80$ per 100 pounds.

## millsturfs.

Prices to the local trade held steady at the advance of $\$ 2$ per ton previousiy noted. Quo. tations now aro: bran, S12, per ton; shorts, $\$ 14^{\prime} y e r$ ton. Ground feed, $\$ 22$ to $\$ 23$ per ton. oats
Actual quotations have not materially ad. vanced, but in view of a very short oat crop, prices are very firm. About 3 jic is the figure on track here for car lots, though this quotation is nearly nominal, few transactions being heard of.

## oat and cornimeal, yot barlel.

Prices for oatmeal arc strong - sympathy with the advancing tendency of oav, quotations arc: Standard per 100 lbs . 32.60 ; granulated, $\$ 2.75$; rolled oats in $\$ 0 \mathrm{lb}$. sacks, $\$ 3$. Cormmesi is held at $\$ 1.75$ per 100 pounds. Pot barley, $\$ 3$ and pearl barley, $\$ 3.50$ per 100 pounds.
netter.
The butter market remaining very flat, notwithstanding a report circulated therough the city newspaper preas that prices had advanced several cents. No such advance has taken place, and on the contrary the situation is dull and with absolutcly no demand from any quarter. Nominal quotations of 14 to 15 Jare some. times given, but it is hard to find sales at these figures, from l2t to l3e is nearer the price for actual sales.

## chrese.

Prices arc irregular in this comnodity, quotatious varying considerably, 'asst season's checse is usuably quoted abe: under new checse, as dealers are holding considerable in some instances which they wish to get rid of. Quotations vary from 9 to 10 c .
tegs.
Quict and steady at about 1 kc in cast lots. Receipts not large.

## LARD.

Home rendered is offered at $\$ 2.15$ per 90 lb . pail.

## cersd meats.

There appears to be a considerable range of values in cured hog prodiucts. Hams, for instance, are quoted at from 13 to 14 ta , bratfast bacon, 13 to 14 c , rolls, 11 to 12 hc , long clear, 10c. Bologna sansage is held at 7e per pound. Micss pork \$1S to \$19 per barrel.

## dressed ments.

Prices hold steady in fresh meats at about last r cek's quotations Beef is quoted at 5je to Gcas o quality. Nutton steady at 10c per pound. Pork uncharged at 7 to İc. Lamb, 12je. Veal, іe per pound.

## Live srock.

Cattle ore rather quict and steady in price,
quotations ranging from $2 f$ to 3 he as to quality. The western range cattle brought to this mar. totwore received with favor and realized nearly \$l per hundred better than ordinary stock, owing to their good condition, and the good turn out which they mado in dressing. Hogs are coming in occasionally in rail lots, and bring 4 yc per pound at the yards here.

## Minnaapolis Marrets.

The closing prices for wheat on Thursday, July 18th. were $\underline{1}$ to 3 c lower than a week ago, as follows:
 flour situation as follows:-There were some rather large sules made during the first of the week, before the decline in wheat. These sales were not very well distributed. It being noticeable that the larger holders were much the larger sellers. Millers who had stocks at many distributiag points did the greatest part of the business, as their stocks were always convenient to buyers, who were inclines to buy from those able to make the quickest delivery. The buyers of spring wheat flour hase beeu believers in lower prices, and being low in supply have had to have prompt shipments. The drop in wheat for several days past has enccuraged flour buy. ers to louk for lower prices, which has caused a light request for flour, only enough been taken for immediate wants. There are a great many orders daily that are too urgent to be put off, due to the low static of supplies in the hands of both recailers and jebbers. Tho condition of the market makes it innjerative for flour manufacturers that would meet the demand to $k$ n the goods on hand, as nearly all demands ase for immediate shipment. Contracts for late deliveries of old crop flour are on no less liberal scale than usual in late years, due partly to the high figures set on it and partly to the thoroughly advertised poor characteristics of the old crop wheat.
Quotatipns at the mills for car or round lots are: Patents, S.30@s.j.70; scoond patents, $\$ 4.90 @$ S5. 25 ; bakers', $\$ 3.30 @ \$ 3.80$, in barrels; best low grades, $\$ 1.60 @ \$ 1.80$ in bags ; red dog, $\$ 1.25 \mathrm{G} \$ 1.50 \mathrm{in}$ bags.

## Assiniboine Water Power.

This project is now the great topic of conversation in conncetion with Winnipeg municipal affairs, and the action of the city conacil in making the first move towards submitting to the vote oi the ratepayers the question of the'city'sconstrusting the work, has caused some lithe excitement among tax payers, which will intensify very much, if they; the council, decide to push the question to a vote. The mure thoughtful of the ratepayers are decidedly averss to the city undertaking the work, and expending the moncy proposed ; and the fact that such a courso would push the city to tho utmost limit of its horrowing powers, leaving not a dollar for other much neciled im. provements, and possibly leave tho work itself in an unfinished state and no funds to finish it, scems to weigh hoavily against the undertaking 1 as it rightly should. To constract the pro.
posed dam on the river ulone would tax the money-raising pover of tho sity to its last dollar, and as the scheme is incumplete without the comnection with Lako Manitoba, which would raise the water power from 3,500 to 10,000 horse, it does look like folly to expend the last dollar the city can raise to securo a Iualf completed work, especially when such work if uncertakon by the eity is a speculation outside of actual wants.
The Board of Trade at a well attended meet. ing held last Thursday pronounced in a most decided manner against the city making the expenditure for this work, and an overwhelming majority of the heavy tax payers agree with the Board. Still if the matter is submitted to the vote of the ratopayers it is hard to say what would be the result. The vote of the man assessed for $\$ 500$ has the same weight as that of the man assessed fo: $\$ 500,000$, and it is quite a conundrum how the mass of small property owners would vote, notwithstanding the fact that heavy tax payers are decideday against adding more to the present large indebtedness of the city.

## Hontroal Markets.

Grals:-The Gazette says : There was no im. portant feature in the local geain market. Business continued quict in Manitoba wheat on account of the light offerings and the high prices asked by holders, and such are away above and export baais. Quotation: No. 1 hard Manitoba, §1.17 to $\$ 1.18$; No. 2 do. $\$ 1.12$
to $\$ 1.14$; peas, 77 to 78 c per 06 lbs ; oats, 29 to 30 c ; barley, 50 to 55 c .
Flour-Spring patent was quoted at $£ 5,00$ to $\$ 6.00$.

Butter-Butter quiet and steady. Creamery is said to be held above tho viows oi buyers. Quotations are given as follows: Creamery, 19 to 20c; Townships, 16 to 17hc; Morrisburg, i5 to 10 c ; Brockville, 15 to 16 c ; Western, 13 f to 143c.
Cheese-The situation and course of prices יory uncertain. Quotations are: finest colored 9 to 9 d - f fiuest white, 8 g c ; medium to fine 8 sje.

Provision- -Prices are firm and the market mainly supplied with imported western. Prices are: Mess pork, western, per brl, S15; hams, per $1 \mathrm{~b}, 11$ to 1 l c; bacon, per $1 \mathrm{~b}, 10$ to 10 d c ; tallow, per $\mathrm{lb}, 0$ to to 6 .
Live stock-In butchers' stock a large volume of business was trancted. The bulk of the cattle offered for sale was grass.fed and the quality good. A few small lots of export cattle sold at $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to $4 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{c}$; good butchers at 38 to 4 c ; fair ut 3$\} \mathrm{c}$ to 3 k , and common at 3 c per llb. live weight. Live hogs were scare, and what fow were offered sold at 5 he to 5 ? c per lb .

Ir is stated that the Brandon-Souris branch of the C. P. R. will only be constructed as far as Plum Creck this year. This portion of the road, however, will be a great help to the farmers of the district, in shortening their dis. tance to market.

Gradstone Age: The amount of machinery brought here this season is pamething unpro. cedented. It is to bo hoped that the crop will enable the farmers to meet their notes prompt. ly , for it is easier getting into debt than out of it.

Ons: of the most prolific crops of gophers is being harvested this year in Manitoba. At Crystal City the other dan, the farmers brought in so many that the municipal treasury wes cleaned right out-over 50,000 tails being offered in one day, so it is supposed that what the farmers will lose by the drought this year they will gain by gopher tails. - Morden Afonitor.
Pilot Mocsid Sentinel: A shower of rain on Tucslay has added to the improvement that has been taking place in the appearance of the crops. There are many good fields of wheat in this neighbourhood, and judging from these there should be a good yield where the ground is new. Wm. Moffat has a field of seventy acres that looks as if it might produce about 25 bushels to the acre. J. Dioffatt has two large fields of very good wheat. Robinson has a very fine field of sixty acres.
The contract for the construction of the Winnipeg Transfer railway along the river front, has been awarded to J. W. Buchanan, railway and bridge contractor.
CuE partnership subsisting between W. G. Hulse and Thomas Manlcy, blacksmiths and carriago builders, Winnipeg, has been dissolved. The business will in future be carried on by W. G. Hulse alone.


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## Chicago Board of Trade Prices．

Wheat opened on Monday，July 15，at from $\ddagger$ to $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{chigher} \mathrm{than} \mathrm{Saturday's} \mathrm{close}$, option showing the greatest advance．A re－ duction of $\$ 1,235,000$ in the visible supply for the week had a strengthening effect，the total visible supply to day standiang at $12,711,139$ bushels，against $29,415,293$ bushcls a year ago． Exports from Atlantic ports last week were $1,266,050$ bushels，wheat and flour．Reports of short crops in Russia and Germany were flying about．December wheat was the centre of in－ tercst，and this option ranged from $77 \mathrm{~F}_{6}$ to 78 sic， elosing at $7 S_{\text {n }}^{2} \mathrm{c}$ ．Provisions were dull．Clos． ing prices were ：

|  | July | Aux． | Scpt | Oct． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat．．．．．．．．．．． | 3is | －33 | 761 |  |
| Corn ．．．．．．．．．．．． | 354 | 331 | 354 | $35 \%$ |
| Oats | S2 | 218 | 217 |  |
| Potk ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 11．32］ | 11.35 | 11.40 | 10.50 |
| Lard．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 0.321 | 6．35 | 0.45 | 0.35 |
| Short Libs ．．．．． | 5．72\} | 0.75 | 5.50 | 5．723 |

Forcign crop＂news＂of a contradictory na－ ture were the principal features of Tuesday． One report said crops were a failure in Eiastern Furope，while other reports were that these statements were in part groundless．Mowever， wheat prices opened higher，and maintaincd a higher range．Cashwheat was specinlly strong， and in demand．July opening at Jisc，which was the lowest point of the day，and closed at the top．December ranged from 7S3 to FITG ， ciosing at oske．Closing prices were：


|  | July | Aug． | Scpt． | Oct． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat．．．．．．．．．．． | 793 | i03 | 7 | － |
| Corn．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 331 | $35 \%$ | 358 | 35］ |
| Oats．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 224 | 917 | ¢2 | － |
| Pork | － | 11.15 | 11．22 | 10.40 |
| Lard．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 0.25 | 0．27） | 3.371 | 0.35 |
| Short Rlbs ．．．．．． | 5．023 | 5．033 | 5.073 | 5．57\％ |

Wheat opened $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ higher on Wedvesday， and held up well during the day，opening prices being about the lowest figures of the scssion． July ranged from 793 to Sl ic，and December from 793 to SO s ，the latter month closing at SOtc．The strength in the market was mainly due to good buying orders on foreign account．
Closing prices were ：－

|  | July． | Aug． | Sept | Oct |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Whent．．．．．．．．．．．． | 91 | \％s | 783 | － |
| Sorn ． | 337 | 353 | 357 | S62 |
| Oats | 298 | 213 | 9） | － |
| Fork | 11．023 | 11.05 | 11.123 |  |
| Lard ．．．．．．．．．．．． | c． $0^{\circ}$ | 6．928 | 0.321 | 6332 |
| Shert Ribs．．．．． | 5．10 | 5．30 | 5.572 | 550 |

On Thursday the wheat market was quicter， and closed easicr．Closing prices were：

|  | July． | ding． | Scph． | Oct． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat．．．．．．．．．．．． | $\mathrm{SO}_{2}$ | 7is | －i\％ | $\square$ |
| Corn | － | 33 | $x{ }_{0}$ | 968 |
| Oats | － | － | － | － |
| Pork |  | 11.15 | 11.223 | －1150 |
| Lard ．．．．． | －－ | Q．3 | 0.35 | （0）303 |
| Shert libs ．．． | －－ | － | $\cdots$ | － |

Wheat continucd qanict on Friday．Decem－ loce closed at 7！se．Closing prices were ：

|  | Jul．， | nup． | Scp． | Oc： |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat． | S01 | 7s！ | iit | － |
| Corn ． | － | 3if | 338 | S61 |
| Oats ． | － |  |  |  |
| Pork ． | －－ | 21.073 | 11.15 | 10.50 |
| lavid |  | G． 20 － | 0.30 | a， 50 |
| Short lilies ．．．． | － |  |  |  |

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W．J．Porter，of Jas．Obrien \＆Co．，Win． nipeg，is enjoying a well carucd holiday anong his friends in Eastern Ontario．

W．R．McArthur，buyer for Stobart \＆Co．， wholesale dry goods，Winnipeg，left lust week for Eugland on a busincss trip．

A．T．Gillis，merchant，Boissevain，has been arrested，charged with setting fire to his prem ises．The building and stock，it is said，were heavily insured．

Carberry ${ }^{\text {Neces：}}$ Some of our local capial． ists are trying to arrange with the extensive Higanbotham Manuincturing Company，of Sar nia，to locate in our midst，since they have failed to offer sufficient inducement at Portage la I＇miric．

Casinermy Neacs：A very heavy hail storm passed over Auburn and Wellwood districts las： Wednesday evening，and made a clean swecp of everything it came in contact with．At time of going to press，we have not been able to learn the full extent of damage donc．

Deloraine Times：We have liad two very fine showers of main this weck，but in our opinion too late to help much of the cron；of course it will greatly sessist the heading grain and many fields of oats，but the damage to a great many ficlis is irrepamble this scason，iny drouth and gophers．One catimato of the yiclil for the district which usuallj markets in Deloraine is an average of 10 bushels per acre for whent，and even that some people claim is too much，but we think it will bo found near the mark．

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## Brittsh Colambia.

Joln Campbell, barrister, from Ontario, has opened an office at Vancouver.
W. J. Armstrong, merchant, Spilimichene, has opened a tin shop at Revelstoke.
R. Kenyon and J. Michacl have been awarded the contract for the new Nanaimo Hospital.
The sockeye variety of salmon are now running in the Fraser River, aud the canneries aro in full hlast.
B. B. Johnston, auctioneer and real estate dealer, Vancouver, has been appointed agent for the province of the Manufacturers' Life and Accident Assurance Company.
The ship Titania has arrived with general merchandise, direct from London, Englavd. She is consigned to Boll, Irving \& Patterson, Vancouver, and left Lon'ton on March 7.
The partnership busincss carried on by Rob. son \& Co., grocers amd provision dealers, Kam. loops, has been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by Fred. H. Rolson.
The strize of the Vancouver carpenters, which is explained in another column, has been settled, the contractors having ayreed to accept the situation. This establishes the nine hours' system in Vancouver.
B. S. Pettingill, of the Vancouver soap factory, is on a trip to Eastern Canada and the United States, to visit soap factories of the large cities with a view of becoming accuainted with the latest methode. He will select a stock of improved machinery to be used in the Vancouver factory.
Great things were expected from the Van. couser smelter, which was completed a few months ago, in the direction of furnishing an impetus to the mineral development of the province. So far, however, nothing has been done towards operating the smelter, though a great deal of money was spent in constructing the works.

The Westminster Culumbian, of July 11th, says: There was laid on our table yesterday a bunch of wheat heads, fully ripened, which was cut on the farm of Robert Alexander. Boundary Bay, on July 3rd. It is a hard wheat and very similar to the Red Fyfe variety. The kernels are hard, and, without foubt, fully matured. The grain was sown this spring, and has, like other crops, made amazing progress sisec the das it wat put in the ground. The crop will average at least 60 bushels to the acre.

A Vancouver alderman who became hilarious and tried to run amuck on the streets of that city, armed with a Wincestor repcating rille, will resign his position in the civic government. Cisilization has evidently advanced at Vancouver, when an alderman finds it necessary to disappear from public life, on account of a little episode of this kind. The worthy alder. man should go south to some of the new westcra states' towne, where such little enterprises as the one he engaged in at Vancouver are more highly appreciated.

Pancouver World: A telegram has been reccived from New York by Angus Mackintosh, president of the Merchnuts National Bank of

Seattle, that all financial arrangements had been completed in connection with the Seattle, Lake Shore and Eastern, and that the work of construction would be pushed rapidly to a completion. Mr. Mackintosh said that contracts would be let immediately. It is understood in Seattle that the satisfactory position in which tho finances of the Seattle, Lake Shore \& Eastern have been placed is due to the in. fluenco of Mr. Vian Horne. The lino will, it is suid, be completed to the boundary and connected with tho C.P.R. by the lst of December. This is the roud which will connect with the C. P. R. at Mission Station, cast of Vancover, and give the latter road an entrance. to Seattle and Puget Sound points.

## Lumber Cattings.

The loge in the Riding mountaing are mostly hung up this year. Mr. Christic, of Brandon, has a loi of loge hung up on the Bird-tail river. He got down a million fect or so last fall which he has heen cutting at the Brandon mill.

A big drive of logs reached Winnipeg last week, for D. Sprague's mill here. The saws will now commence to hum. The drive has been forty-three days in coming from Grand Forks, where it was locked for a time, and blocked the river for two miles.

Tur Ean Clair Lunber Company, of Calgary, has entered a claim for thirty thousand dollars against the Goverment and Canadian Pacific on account of the laster company cutting timber on the Bow river limits while the railway was being constructed.

It is reported that the rains of the last fort. night have so filled the streams that all last winter's cut of logs tributary to the Lake of the Woods will be released, and in time to be manufactured this season. If this be true the lumbermen will feel happy.

Westminster Columbian: The barque Thos. S. Stowe is at present lyiug in the Royal roads ready to depart for Deptford, England. The vessel carries as cargo $2 \overline{5} 0$ spars for the use of the imperial government. The spars are each 100 fect long and 2 feet square, and were cut by the Moodyville sawmill. They are pronounced expuisite specimens of pine timber, clear and straight as an arrow. They were loaded into the vessel by a pile driver and dunkey engine.
The settlement made with their creditors by Marks, Dobic \& Co., merchants' and lumber dealers, Thessalon, has fallen through, owing to the Montreal creditors refusing. The firm has assigned to Robt. Balfour, of Brown \& Bal. four, Hamilton, and the business will bo wound up. Creditors will likely realize 35 to 40 cents. During the interval many local creditors were settled with, but the failure will cause much local distress. Thessalon is the centro of an important lumbering industry in eastern Algoma.

The lumber sawing capacity of all mills in Washington Territory, as computed from lumber shipments and local sales, is 306,961,270 feet, valued at $\$ 6,759,550.25$, the actual lumber production being about $300,000,000$; the remainder is divided up into laths, pickets, shingles, spars and small lumber. The production
covers the territory of l'uget Sound, Gray's Harbol mills, Columbi i river, Shoalwater bay, and in a few internal mills. The Puget Sound lumber product for the yeve 1893 was 285,000, 000 feet, which was sent to the variuns points on the licitic Coast, an.: the foreign shipments went to all parts of the world, the largest ship. ment, however, being consigned tos the colonial markets, which have continued to demand lum. ber with a ateadiness that insured a profit to the ship-owners.

Port Arthur Sentinel: The failure of Rayburn \& Son, of Thessalon, Algoma district, Ontario, on the 6th inst., and their departure from the country, created quite a little stir. They had been eng tged in the lumbering operations dur. ing the past winter and evilently had got behind. Referring to this failure the Thessalon Allocute says: "This is now the last chapter in the records of the lumbering ouerations during the past winter, which resulted so disas. trously. The effect upon the district has been scrious, as many men are unable to get their wages. The proceedings all through were of the most disgraceful character and appeared to be taken with the express intention of defraud. ing the poor workmen out of their wages."

## General Notes.

A Salem, Dak., newspaper prints the follow. ing advertisement. "If John Jones, who, twenty years ago, deserted his poor wife and babe, will return, said babe will lick the stuflin' out of him."

The Barnum Iron Works Co., of Windsor, Ont., manufacturers of bank, counter and office railings, wire work, iron fences, firo escapes and general architectural iton work, have recently completed a contract for refitting the Dominion Government buildings at Uttawa, with their appliances and designs of in iron work.

The city of St. John, N.13., which has recent. ly enlarged its borders by the addition of the adjacent city of Portland, and has been brought within eighteen hours of Montreal by the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway, fechs that it ought to celebrate its increased importance. Nothing on a scale so extensive has before been attempted in the maritime provinces. The people of St. John appear to be an cuterprising class, judging from the reports which reach us from that quarter. It is likely, therefore, that their summer carnival will bo a big affair.

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## British Col umbia Board of Trade.

The report of the recent annual meeting of the British Columbia Board of Trade, of Vic. toria, is a lengely and important document. President Robort Ward occupied the chair. In opening the meeting be said this completed tho tenth year of the board's existence. They had comnencel with a membership of 34 , and this had increased until now it was 100 . This was to a certain extent a satisfactory growth, but he thought the membership should be fully double that number. Greater interest should be taken by the business men in the genoral work of the board, and its objects aided at least by tho knowledge that the council had the hearty sympathy of Victoria. The question of reciprocal trade, which was briefly referred to in the report, the conncil did not wish to be understood as an advocacy of what is known as commercial union. 'Ihe position of Jritish Columbia was an isolated ono, and their market was to the south. If their export trade was to increase, they must huve greater reciprocal relations with the United States. There wero a number of the raw products of this country which the neighboring Republic wanted, and measures should be taken towarils securing their entry unier favorable conditions into the American market.
The report refers to a great variety of sub. jects, of local and general interest, including imigration, railroad construction, mining, lumbering, fisheries, etc. Regarding the China steaners the report says: "The non-calling of the China.Japan mail stcamers still continues to adversely affect the commercial interests of the port, and the Board has been unremitting in its efforts to have this grievance remedied. In conjunction with the Provincial Government, the Board has again memorialized the Imperial authorities not to grant a subsidy to any line of steamers unless it be mude a condition of the coutract that such stesmers call at Victoria both on the outward and inuard passages."

Under the head of telegraph communication the report says:-
"The Board, despite repeated encuiries, has still been unable to elicit from the Dominion Government any information as to their reasous for refusing to permit a private company to construct and operate a line of telegraph con. necting Victoria with Puget Sound, the want of which continues to be a source of annoyance, and occasionally of loss to our mercantile com. munity."

Reference is also made to the efforts of the board to induce the Dominion Governmeat to make needed improvements in Victoria harlor, but so far without success.

Upon the insolvency question the board says:-
"In common with other kindred institutions throughout the country, this board has been grestly disappointed at the continued failure of the Dominion Government to terminate by means of adequate legislation the feeling of uncertainty and distrust which has prevailed for several years past, conseguent upon the absence of any law providing for the equitable distribution of the assets of insolvent debtors, and the board has been unremitting in its efforts to bring about the necessary change."


#### Abstract

On the subjest of fisheries the board says:- "In the absence, however, of a near market, the outlook for the rapid develonment of this industry is not encouraging, and it is earnestly to be hoped that the Dominion Government may, in view of the great prospective value of our sen fisheries, endeavor to enter into such arrangement with the Government of the United States as will admit of the interehange of all fishery products with that ceיntry, where the demand for such products is fur in excess of what can be supplied from its own ro. sources."

The natter under the heading of "General Trade Outiook," was pubiighed in Tirs Cost mercial last week. 'Ihe auditors report showed the assets to be S3.183.34; liabilities nil. The net gain for the year over 1988, was \$406.61.

Robt. Ward's nomination, for a second term as president, was unanimously confirmed; T. I3 Hall was unanimously elected vice-president; W. Monteith was re-elected secrotary. The following were elected the council. A. A. Green, K. P. Kithet, 'hos. Earle, A. C. Flumerfelt, I. A. McQuade, M. T. Johuson, H. E. Croasdaile, D. W. Higgins. The following were elected arbitrators: J. H. Todd, E. G. Prior, H. F. Heisterman, J. S. Yates.

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## ONTARIO.

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J. S. Deacon, harncssmaker, London, has assigned.
E. J. Matthows, gencral storekcoper, Flinton. is dead.
Thos. Boswell, hotelkeeper, London, has sold out.
J. C. Lbert, harness dealer, Fishorville, is in difficulty.
John Oag, hotelkecper, Sarnia, has removed to London.
W. J. Wallis, lumber merchant, Shedden, has assigned.
Jno. H. Moyer, dealer in tins, etc., Wellesley, has assigned.
W. J. Brinkman, harnessmaker, Wiarton, has assigued.

Clark \& Campbell, painters, ctc., Toronto, have dissolved.
L. D. Tait, grocer, Toronto, stock sold and out of businces.
S. C. Warner, shoes, etc., Orillia, is offering 50 c in the dollar.
J. B. Bell, hotelkeeper, Blackstock, has removed to Orono.
R. H. Wabb, hetelkeeper, Barric, has re. moved to Stroud.
J. H. Methot, general storekeeper, Dalhousie Mulls, has assigned.
R. Buchanan, grocer, Toronto, style now Dalby \& Buchanan.
W. A. Wilcott, dealer in flour and feed, Toronto, has assigned.
Wallis \& Cairns, general storekeepers, Shedden, are in liquidation.
John Wilson, manufacturer of potash, Harrison, has sold out.
John Moody \& Son, woolen factory, Ridgetown, were burned out.
John Sterrett, carpenter, Camlachie, is leaving for the United States.
Drumbo Trading Co., Drumbo, have sold out their stove and tin business.
Sanderson \& Pillow, dealers in brushes. Toronto, are about to dissolve.
Brown \& Tench, agricultural implement dealers, Waterford, have dissolved.
W. B. Thompson, dealer in drugs, Cornwall, stock is advertised for sale by tender.
Cumming * Brock, general storekeepers, Arva, have dissolved and each continues alone.
W. H. Matthews, hotelkeeper, Shelbourne, is dead; business now carried on by Mrs. W. H. Matthews.

The following were damaged by fire at Sim-coe:-C. Arthuis, photos; W. D. Battersby, hotel; James Huyes, plysician; A. Hillier, livery; Wallaco McQueen, hotel; C. F Misner, baker; T. Stevenson, tailor.

QUEBEC.
L. H. Paquin, grocer, Sorel, has assigned.
N. H. Parndis, grocer, Sorel, has assigned.

Eruest Dube, shoes, Montreal, has assigned.
Nap. Mercier, furniture, Levis. has assigned.
P. Reid it Son, coal, Montreal, P. Reid dead.
C. F. LeForest, general store, St. Andre, has assigned.
J. F. X. Dupuy, dry goorls, St. Johns, has assigned.
Edouard Patry, crockery, otc., Montreal, has assigued.
P. White \& Co, produce, Montreal, P. White dead.
J. T. Lotnurneux, wholesale painte, Montreal, bas aesigned.

Peltior \& Rochon, contractors, Montrecl, have dissolved.
Boisscau \& Bro., dry goods, Muntreal, havo dissoived: L. H. boisseau continues under the same style.

John Findiay, founder, Montreal, has adimitted Fired. N. Findlay parther under style John Findlay \& Son.

Whitney, Wardlow \& Co., leather and findings, Montreal, have dissolved. J. H. Wardlow: continues under stylo J. H. Wardlow \& Co. NOVA SCOTIA.
T. E. Aikens, drugs, Acadia Mines, has sold ont.
P. (i. Byrd, general store, Chergetcook, houbo destroyed by fire.
A. \& W. Smith \& Co., wholesale grocers, etc. Halifax, A. Smith dead.
G. E. Forsyth \& Co., wholesale grocers, Hali. fax, stock damaged hy fire, insured.
Nova Scotia Cotton Mfg. Co. Ltil., Halifax, have trusteed real and personal property.

## Business in British Columbia.

The Vancouver News says: The bueiness of the past weck was more than usually good. Large consignments in all lines have been received by local traders, and the small dealers report business exceedingly lurisk and collections easy. Manitoba butter and eggs have been received in considerable quantities, and the products of the surrounding ranches are daily placed on the market. The fruit merch ants are having their harvest. Almust cuery summer fruit is now in in large quantities, and the prices are within popular reach. The fish market is kept fairly well supplied. Prices have not varied in any particular since last week.

Wholesale prices at Victoria last week were given as follows: Flour-Hungarian, $\$: .00$; strong bakers', 86.50 ; royal, S5.50; snowflake, $\$ 5.25$; superfine, $\$ 4.50$. Wheat, per ton, $£ 37$; oats, per ton, $\$ 2.5$; barle', per ton, $\$ 30$; middlings, per ton, $\$ 2$ s; brrm, per ton, $\$ 2.5$; ground feed, per ton, $\$ 30$; oil cake, per ton, $\$ 37.50$; corn, whole, 10 ; do., cracked, S45; cornmeal, per 100 lbs., S2.75; oatmeal, per $100 \mathrm{lbs} .$, Suanich, $\widehat{3} .50$; beans, large white, per 100 lbs , $\leqslant 5$; peas, for feed, perton, $\$ 23$; potatocs, per ton, $\$ 13$; do., sweet, per $100 \mathrm{lbs} ., \$ 4$; onions, $\$ 1.50$; hay, baled, per ton, $\$ 20$; straw, per bule. $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.50$; apples, per boa 50 lbs., Sl.s0; bananas, per bunch, St; pears, choice Bartlett, per box, $\$ 2$; peaches, $\$ 1.25$; grapes, Muscatelle, $25 \mathrm{lbs} .$, $\$ 1.50$; cocoanuts, per 100, $\$ 11$; tomatocs, Cal. 25 lb box, $\$ 1$; eggs, Island, per dozen, 3ic; do., imported, per do.en, 22c; butter, roll, Island, per lb., 25 c ; imported, 20 c ; tub or firkin, creamery, 22 c ; tub or firkin, dairy, 20 c ; cheese, local, per lb., lōc; do., Canadian, $12 \frac{1}{2}$ to $1 \overline{\mathrm{j}}$; do., California, 17 to 1 Sc ; hams, Evans, per 1 b . 15 c ; do., American, 17 to 18c; bacon, Evans, breakfast, por lb., 14 to 16 c ; do., American, lof c; do., rolled, 14 c ; shoulders, per $1 \mathrm{~b} ., 12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; lard, per lb. $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c; beef, per lb., 8 c ; mutton, per $1 \mathrm{lb} ., 10 \mathrm{c}$; pork, fresh. per $\mathrm{lb} ., 121 \mathrm{c}$; veal, dressed, per lb, 121 to 15 c ; tallow, 2 d c ; hides, 4 to 7 Hc ; skins, sheep, each, 25 to 35 c ; salmon, per lb., 7c. halibut, per lb.. Sc.
"Kansas school teacher-"Where docs all our grain go to? "Into the hoppor." "What hopper"" "Grasshopper," triumphantly shout. ed the scholar."

## Gratn and Millicas.

The Manitoba Milling and Brewing Co., of Farborry, Man., will build an elevator at thoir mill this season, with a capacity of 35,000 buahels. Work has commenced on the structure.

The Moose Jaw Nees reports that the crops in that district have been greatly improved by recent rains, and a fair averago crop is now calculated upon. The News further says: it is estimated that there is more land already broken this season than tu the five years previous.
The I'resbyterian minister at McGregor station, Man., reports that the indications in that district for a magnificent crop were never better. Old settlers affirmed that tor tue first time in many years there was dinnger of the grain lodging owing to the greatness of the crop. Items like this in a short crop season are refreshing, though it will be sour grapes to th. se in the districts where the drought has been so severe.
A correspondent at Portage la Prairie, Man., writes: The drought has not affected us in the slightest degree, and the crops are in a better coudtion and further advanced this season than they have been in any year within the memory of the oldest resident. Wheat is well headed, the straw is an average length, and those who are qualified to speak on the subject say the sanuple of graiu promiste to exceed that of last year. As far as this district is concerned, we need no more rain before harvest, which will commence abont August lst.

Last week we noticed that II. C. Bannister, of the Grand Central hotel, Minnedosa, Man., had leased the Bellview house at Portage la Prairic. It is now learned that Thos. Dade, of Winnipeg, will be associated with Mr. Bannister in the control of the hotel at Portage, under the firm name of Bannister \& Dade.
A rebtive of the Winnipeg Board of Trade held last week, the following resolution regarding the Assiniboine water-power was passed: "That this board, while helieving in the feasibility of the Assiniboine water-power scheme as reported on by city engineer Ruttan, and endorsed by J. T. Fanning, C. E., of Minnea. polis, and being satisfied of its power for rreat good to the city of Winnipeg, and its having a probably large profit to its incorporators, if properly managed, considers that it would be injudicious, on the part of the city to incur the liability necessary (said to be from $\$ 400,000$ to $S^{-} 00,000$, to complete the said works at the present time in view of the large indebtedness of the city and the probable increase of the same in the near future for the extension of the: sewerage system and other street improvements." This resolution no doubt endorses the sentiments of a large number of the busincss men and large property holders of the city. In view of the face that a private company is ready to go on with the work, it is felt that in the present condition of the civic finances it would be adviseble that the city should incur no further risk in the matter. The city can gain all the desired advantages from the construction of the work by privato onterprise, while at the same time remalining free from any ijk in the uadertaking.

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