

Technical and Bibliographic Notes / Notes techniques et bibliographiques

The Institute has attempted to obtain the best original copy available for filming. Features of this copy which may be bibliographically unique, which may alter any of the images in the reproduction, or which may significantly change the usual method of filming, are checked below.

L'Institut a microfilmé le meilleur exemplaire qu'il lui a été possible de se procurer. Les détails de cet exemplaire qui sont peut-être uniques du point de vue bibliographique, qui peuvent modifier une image reproduite, ou qui peuvent exiger une modification dans la méthode normale de filmage sont indiqués ci-dessous.

Coloured covers/
Couverture de couleur

Coloured pages/
Pages de couleur

Covers damaged/
Couverture endommagée

Pages damaged/
Pages endommagées

Covers restored and/or laminated/
Couverture restaurée et/ou pelliculée

Pages restored and/or laminated/
Pages restaurées et/ou pelliculées

Cover title missing/
Le titre de couverture manque

Pages discoloured, stained or foxed/
Pages décolorées, tachetées ou piquées

Coloured maps/
Cartes géographiques en couleur

Pages detached/
Pages détachées

Coloured ink (i.e. other than blue or black)/
Encre de couleur (i.e. autre que bleue ou noire)

Showthrough/
Transparence

Coloured plates and/or illustrations/
Planches et/ou illustrations en couleur

Quality of print varies/
Qualité inégale de l'impression

Bound with other material/
Relié avec d'autres documents

Continuous pagination/
Pagination continue

Tight binding may cause shadows or distortion along interior margin/
La reliure serrée peut causer de l'ombre ou de la distorsion le long de la marge intérieure

Includes index(es)/
Comprend un (des) index

Title on header taken from:/
Le titre de l'en-tête provient:

Blank leaves added during restoration may appear within the text. Whenever possible, these have been omitted from filming/
Il se peut que certaines pages blanches ajoutées lors d'une restauration apparaissent dans le texte, mais, lorsque cela était possible, ces pages n'ont pas été filmées.

Title page of issue/
Page de titre de la livraison

Caption of issue/
Titre de départ de la livraison

Masthead/
Générique (périodiques) de la livraison

Additional comments:/
Commentaires supplémentaires:

This item is filmed at the reduction ratio checked below/
Ce document est filmé au taux de réduction indiqué ci-dessous.

10X	14X	18X	22X	26X	30X
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12X	16X	20X	24X	28X	32X

MERCHANTS' BANK OF CANADA

Capital \$5,799,200
 Rest. 1,920,000

HEAD OFFICE, - - MONTREAL.

ANDREW ALLAN, of the Allan Line of Steamships, President.
 GEORGE HAGUE, General Manager.

BRANCHES IN MANITOBA: WINNIPEG, AND BRANDON.
 D. MILLER, Manager at Winnipeg.

BRANCHES IN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

Orillia.	Ingersoll.	Ottawa.	Stratford.
Berlin.	Kincardine.	Owen Sound.	St. John's, Que.
Brampton.	Kingston.	Perth.	St. Thomas.
Chatham.	London.	Prescott.	Toronto.
Galt.	Montreal.	Quebec.	Waltke
Gananoque.	Mitchell.	Renfrew.	
Ganition.	Napanee.	Sherbrooke, Que.	

BANKERS IN GREAT BRITAIN—London, Glasgow, Edinburgh, and other points, The Clydesdale Bank (Limited). Liverpool, Commercial Bank of Liverpool.
 A general banking business transacted. Letters of Credit issued, available in China, Japan and other foreign countries.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

ALLAN, BRYDGES & CO.

BANKERS AND BROKERS,

339 Main Street, Winnipeg, Man

Municipal, School and other Debentures negotiated.

SCRIP BOUGHT AND SOLD.

Branch Office—CARBERRY, Man.,
 R. T. Rokby, Manager.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

McBEAN BROS.,

CITY HALL SQUARE,

WINNIPEG.

A. G. McBEAN, P.O. Box 1299 Montreal.

Commission Merchants,

AND EXPORTERS OF

GRAIN & PRODUCE.

CIGARS!

Smoke the brands made by

Bryan & Co

COLUMBUS, SELECTS & GONDOLEROS

No better value in the market. Made at our factory in

WINNIPEG, - MANITOBA.

Andrew Allan, President. John McTechnie, Superintendent.
 F. H. Brydges, Vice-President. H. N. Williams, Sec.-Treas.

THE VULCAN IRON COMPANY,
 OF MANITOBA, (LIMITED).

BRASS & IRON FOUNDERS,

Light and Heavy Forgings, Engine and Boiler Work, Millwrighting.

GENERAL BLACKSMITHING,
 Kinds of Machinery.

POINT DOUGLAS AV., WINNIPEG

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.

Paid-up Capital £1,000,000 Stg.
 Reserve Fund £241,349

LONDON OFFICE—3 Clements Lane, Lombard Street, E.C.

COURT OF DIRECTORS—J. H. Brodie, H. J. B. Kendall, John James Cater, J. J. Kingsford, Henry R. Farrer, Frederic Lubbock, Richard H. Glyn, Geo. D. Whataman, R. A. Hoare, J. Murray Robertson.

A. G. WALLIS—Secretary.

Head Office in Canada—St. James St., Montreal.
 H. R. Grindley, General Manager.

Branches and Agencies in Canada—London, Kingston, Fredericton, N.B., Brantford, Ottawa, Halifax, N.S., Paris, Montreal, Victoria, B.C., Hamilton, Quebec, Vancouver, B.C., Toronto, St. John, N.B., Winnipeg, Man.

H. M. BREKIDON, MANAGER, MAIN STREET, WINNIPEG.

Agents in the United States—New York—D. A. McTearl and H. Stikeman, Agts. San Francisco—W. Lawson and J. C. Welsh, Agts. London Bankers—The Bank of England—Messrs. Glyn & Co.

Foreign Agents—Liverpool, Bank of Liverpool, Australia, Union Bank of Australia, New Zealand, Union Bank of Australia, India, China and Japan—Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China, Agra Bank, (Limited), West Indies, Colonial Bank Paris, Messrs. Manuard, Krauss et Cie. Lyons, Credit Lyonnais.

H. R. IVES & CO.,
 MONTREAL.

Manufacturers of

HARDWARE,

Mrs. Pott's Cold Handle
 Smoothing Irons,
 (English Pattern)

IRON BEDSTEADS WITH AND WITHOUT
 BRASS MOULDINGS,

Cribs, Opera House Chairs,
 STORE STOOLS, ETC., ETC.

Catalogues and Price Lists Furnished.

Mitchell Drug Company

WHOLESALE DRUGS,

17 Owen Street, - - WINNIPEG.

A Full Assortment of Drugs, Patent Medicines and Sundries at Lowest Prices.

CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.

Hodgson, Sumner & Co.

IMPORTERS OF

British, French, American and German

DRY GOODS,

FANCY GOODS,

Smallwares,

TOYS, BEADS, &c

WHOLESALE ONLY.

Cor. Bannatyne & Princess Sts., Winnipeg.

RICHARD & CO,

Importers and Wholesale Dealers in

Wines, Spirits and Cigars

365 MAIN STREET,
 WINNIPEG,

IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA.

CAPITAL (paid up) \$1,500,000.00
 REST \$600,000.00

E. S. HOWLAND, President. T. A. MERRITT, Vice-President

HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO—D. R. WILKIN, Cashier.

BRANCHES IN THE NORTHWEST.

Winnipeg, C. S. Hoare, Manager
 Brandon, A. Jukes, "
 Calgary, S. Barber, "
 Portage la Prairie, N. G. Leslie, "

BRANCHES IN ONTARIO.

Essex Centre, Niagara Falls, Ingersoll, St. Thomas
 Fergus, Port Colborne, Yonge St. Welland,
 Galt, St. Catharines, Toronto, Woodstock.

Deposits received and interest allowed at current rates.
 Drafts and letters of credit issued available in Canada, Great Britain, United States, France, China, India, Australia and New Zealand.

Municipal and other debentures purchased.
 Agents in Great Britain—Lloyds Barnetts & Bosanquet's Bank (Limited), 72 Lombard Street, London, England.
 Correspondents—London & Southwestern Bank, Manchester & Liverpool District Banking Co. (Limited). E. W. Yates & Co., Liverpool.

The Western Canada Loan & Savings Co.

CAPITAL, - - - \$1,400,000.00.
 RESERVE FUND, - - - \$800,000.00.

HEAD OFFICES: Toronto, - WALTER S. LEBB, Managing Director
 BRANCH OFFICES: Winnipeg, - W. M. Fisher, Manager.

Moneys advanced upon Farm and City Properties, MORTGAGES, MUNICIPAL DEBENTURES & SCHOOL DEBENTURES purchased. Scrip held for use of Clients. Clients title deeds are not sent out of the Province but are lodged in the Company's vaults at Winnipeg, where they may be examined at all times. Agents at all principal points throughout the Province.
 For further information write to the Manager of the Winnipeg Branch.

NOTHING LIKE LEATHER.

W. N. JOHNSTON & CO.,

Importers and Dealers in

Leather, Findings, Plasterers' Hair

HIDES AND OIL.

23 and 25 Alexander St. West, Winnipeg

DAWSON, BOLE & CO.

REGINA, N.W.T.

Wholesale Druggists

Dealers in Drugs, Patent Medicines, Toilets, etc., etc.

We carry the largest and Tobacconists' Sun-line of CIGARS in the West.
 WRITE FOR QUOTATIONS.

TEES, WILSON & CO.

WHOLESALE GROCERS

AND TEA MERCHANTS.

70 ST. PETER STREET, MONTREAL.

TEAS A SPECIALTY.

Represented in Manitoba, Northwest Territories and British Columbia, by

D. C. MCGREGOR, - MCINTYRE BLOCK, WINNIPEG.

RUBLEE, RIDDELL & CO.

Commission Merchants

AND IMPORTERS OF

Green and Dried Fruits.

15 OWEN STREET,

WINNIPEG

TO ROLLER MILLS. For Bags—Jute and Cotton (all sizes)
Sewing Twine, Jute or Flax.
Stencil Inks, Fast Colors (all shades)
Write to **HENDERSON & BULL**
41 BANNATYNE STREET EAST, WINNIPEG.

For the past six years we have supplied and are supplying all the principal millers in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories with Sacks, Inks and Twines. Samples mailed and quotations given on application—all goods guaranteed equal to sample.

"Reindeer Brand" Condensed Milk
Contains ALL the cream of the original milk. Full weight and absolute purity guaranteed.

"Reindeer" Brand Condensed Coffee
Combining pure COFFEES, MILK and SUGAR. One spoonful added to a cup of boiling water makes a delicious cup of Coffee all ready for use
Manufactured by the

Truro Condensed Milk and Canning Company (Limited)
TRURO, NOVA SCOTIA.

Sole agents for Manitoba and the Northwest, **HENDERSON & BULL, WINNIPEG.**

AMES, HOLDEN & CO., MONTREAL.

The Ames, Holden Company,

WHOLESALE

Dealers in

BOOTS & SHOES,

33 Queen Street,

WINNIPEG

JAMES REDMOND
WINNIPEG.

A. C. FLUMERFELT,
WINNIPEG

Thompson,

Codville & Co.,

WHOLESALE GROCERS,

26 McDermott Street,

WINNIPEG.

JAS. PORTER

W. M. RONALD.

PORTER & RONALD,

DIRECT IMPORTERS OF

CROCKERY

GLASSWARE

LAMPS, CHINA

CHANDELIERS,

CUTLERY,

SILVER-PLATED WARE & FANCY GOODS

330 MAIN ST., WINNIPEG

MILLER, MORSE & Co

WHOLESALE

Hardware,

Cutlery,

Ammunition,

Guns, etc.

Princess St., WINNIPEG.

J. H. ASHDOWN,

Wholesale Dealer & Importer of all kinds of

Shelf and Heavy Hardware,

STOVES AND TINWARE,

PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS,

RAILROAD and MILL SUPPLIES,

The Trade furnished with our Illustrated Catalogue on application.

Corner Main and Bannatyne Streets.

WINNIPEG.

Cornell, Spera & Co.,

WHOLESALE IMPORTERS OF

MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS,

Smallwares, etc.

MANUFACTURERS OF

Overalls, White and Regatta Dress Shirts, Flannel, Cotton & Tweed Shirts

Our stock for the coming season is replete with all the Novelties. The inspection of buyers cordially invited.

CAMPBELL, SPERA & CO.,

27 PORTAGE AVENUE EAST,
WINNIPEG.

H. A. Nelson & Sons

TORONTO —AND— MONTREAL

DIRECT IMPORTERS AND
WHOLESALE DEALERS

Fancy Goods and Toys.

ALL THE NEWEST NOVELTIES

FROM THE

European and American Markets.

Represented in Manitoba, Northwest Territories and British Columbia, by
W. S. CRONE.

FIRST ARRIVAL!

PRIME NEW VALENCIA RAISINS

1,000 Boxes now in Store.

ALSO NEW CANNED GOODS.

New Season

*Japans, Congous
and Indian Teas.*

LYON, MACKENZIE & POWIS,

WHOLESALE GROCERS,

Cor. McDermot & Albert Sts., WINNIPEG

Redwood Brewery

**Fine Ales, Extra Porter
and Premium Lager.**

Most Extensive Establishment of
the kind in Western Canada.

Edward Drewry,

PROPRIETOR,

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.

Highest cash price paid for good
Malting Barley.

Benny, Macpherson & Co.

SHELF AND HEAVY

HARDWARE,

METALS, Etc.

388, 390 & 392 St. Paul St, MONTREAL

Represented in Manitoba and Northwest Territories by

G. F. Stephens & Co.

MARKET ST. EAST, WINNIPEG.

To whom all enquiries should be addressed.

The Commercial

A Journal of Commerce, Industry and Finance, specially devoted to the interests of Western Canada, including that portion of Ontario west of Lake Superior, the Provinces of Manitoba and British Columbia and the Territories.

Seventh Year of Publication.
ISSUED EVERY MONDAY
SUBSCRIPTION, \$2.00 PER ANNUM.

ADVERTISING RATES.

1 month weekly insertion	\$0 80	per line.
3 months, do	0 75	"
6 " do	1 25	"
12 " do	2 00	"

Transient advertisements, 10 cents per line each insertion.

Fine Book and Job Printing Departments.

Office, 4 and 6 James St. East,

JAMES E. STEEN,
 Publisher.

The Commercial certainly enjoys a very much larger circulation among the business community of the country between Lake Superior and the Pacific Coast, than any other paper in Canada, daily or weekly. By a thorough system of personal solicitation, carried out annually, this journal has been placed upon the desk of the great majority of business men in the vast district designated above, and including northwestern Ontario, the provinces of Manitoba and British Columbia, and the territories of Assiniboia, Alberta and Saskatchewan. The Commercial also reaches the leading wholesale, commission, manufacturing and financial houses of Eastern Canada.

WINNIPEG, FEBRUARY 4, 1889.

J. H. ASHDOWN has gone on a business trip to California.

PHIZACKLEA BROS. have rented the Royal hotel, Binscarth, Man.

W. B. UNSWORTH has been appointed agent for the Northern Pacific railway at Portage la Prairie.

MR. MCGAW, of Hastings Bros. & Co., was at Port Arthur last week to close the contract re flour mill.

J. A. BRECKON, of Whitewood, Assa., whose hotel was burned, will resume business at that place shortly.

FORGET & FRASER, advocates and conveyancers, land agents, etc., have opened an office at Battleford, Sask. Territory.

R. G. ATKINSON, of Deloraine, has been appointed H. S. Westbrook's agent for the sale of his agricultural implements, west of the Souris river.

T. HENDERSON, merchant tailor, of Edmonton, intends moving to Lethbridge, Alberta, and opening up in business about the middle of February.

THE new mammoth elevator at Fort William with a capacity of one and a quarter millions, was formally opened last week by Supt. Whyte, Passenger Agent Kerr, Supt. Timmerman and others.

At the last Port Arthur council meeting a resolution was adopted to pass a by-law reducing the number of hotel licenses in town from nineteen to ten. The license fee will also be increased; Hotel men are considerably agitated,

A MOVEMENT is on foot to establish a local insurance company at Brandon.

HERRON, of Deloraine, Man., is talking of adding a furniture line to his stock.

M. F. KALMBACH, of Minneapolis, was here last week with a view of going into the fish business on Lake Winnipeg.

A MOVEMENT is on foot to start a water works system at Brandon. Some of the leading citizens are agitating the question.

J. D. MCKENZIE, of the Brunswick hotel, Minnedosa, has returned from a trip to Colorado. He is still in poor health.

ED. TERRAN, of the International hotel, Maple Creek, has opened a blacksmith shop at that place, under the management of a competent smith.

A PETITION is in circulation among the business men of Rapid City, Man., asking Dr. Harrison, of Neopawa, to start a private bank in that place.

JOHN FLEMING succeeds Cowles & Yerex, late of the Commercial hotel, Maple Creek, Assa., the latter having taken the American hotel at Medicine Hat.

MACLEOD Gazette: Private advices from Ottawa assure us that construction upon the proposed bridges at Macleod, Kipp and Lethbridge will be commenced at the earliest possible moment.

DELORAINÉ Times: A letter was received in Deloraine last week from a flour miller in Heidelberg, Ont., asking particulars as to the opening for a flour mill here, what bonus would be given, etc.

THE bankrupt stock of George A. Crosthwaite, general merchant, Souris, Man., will be offered for sale by auction, on Feb. 5th, at Wolf's auction room, Winnipeg. The stock and fixtures amounts to about \$3,960, and book debts \$4,470.

A COPY of the Montreal Witness, illustrated carnival number, has been received. Those who cannot go to the great carnival, can get a copy of this number at the book store, and just imagine they are taking in the carnival while looking at the illustrations.

CALGARY Tribune: We have received a lump of coal, weighing about twenty-five pounds, from the sixty foot seam on the banks of the Red Deer. Although taken from the face of the cliff, and has been exposed for years, it is hard and solid, and resembles closely that taken from the mine at Anthracite.

JOHN CHAMBERS, of Lachute, Que., arrived in Winnipeg last week. He is here as the representative of some forty or fifty English speaking families, who desire to remove to this country next spring, and intends interviewing land companies and real estate firms with a view to securing locations for them in the same district, in Manitoba.

D. W. BOLE, the retiring president of the Regina board of trade, gives the following figures, gathered from threshers, of the grain threshed in the Regina district up to Dec. 31st, 1888, as follows: Wheat, 147,753 bushels; barley, 9,759 bushels; oats and other grains, 123,742 bushels; total, 281,242 bushels. Wheat marketed, 70,384 bushels.

J. BURGHALL & SONS have located at Qu'Appelle Station as contractors and builders.

D. KILGOUR, of Morden, has rented the McInnis hotel, at Thornhill, Man. It is understood a license has been secured for the house.

H. SHOREY & Co, wholesale clothing, Montreal, have contributed one of the finest calendars which have reached this office this season.

PORT ARTHUR has agreed to exempt C. P. Railway improvements from taxation, in consideration of the passenger and light traffic being handled at that port.

THE stables, slaughter house, piggery, engine and boiler-house of W. G. Smith, butcher, Port Arthur, were consumed by fire last week. Loss \$15,000; insurance \$7,000.

It is said that Otto Schultz and H. P. Hansen, late of the firm of E. Penner & Co., have purchased lots at Grotna and will open a store there as soon as a building can be put up.

THE H. B. Co. has been awarded the contract for the delivery of 75,000 pounds of oats required by the N. W. M. P. at Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan during the current year at 55c a bushel.

THE C. P. R. Company's telegraph system has been extended to St. John, N. B., and an office opened at that point. Connection will be made at once with all principal offices in the Maritime provinces.

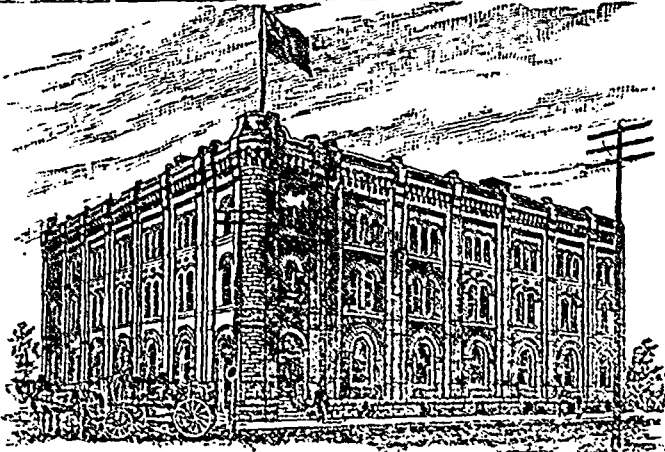
WILLIAMS & GOOSIR, who started in the furniture business at Portage la Prairie about a year ago, have sold out to A. E. Thomson, of Winnipeg. Goosir intends leaving town. Williams will, it is said, remain and resume business on his own account.

L. A. HAMILTON, C. P. R. land commissioner, says the C. P. R. next season will undertake an extensive scheme to bring out and locate immigrants on the company's lands. The company has ten agents at work in Europe, and all report the prospects of an influx next spring very favorable. In addition to European immigrants two shiploads of Icelanders are expected.

AN Ottawa telegram says: Customs Inspector Young, of Winnipeg, seized about \$1,000 worth of tobacco from a Fort Macleod firm. He noticed the tobacco lying in the store, none of the packages having the Government stamp. The firm pretended that the duty thereon had been paid at Winnipeg, but subsequent investigation proved that the goods had entered the country from Montana.

SIR DONALD SMITH arrived at Montreal last week from England. Sir Donald denied the rumor that the Hudson's Bay company was to be run on the same lines as the old East India company. There would be no change beyond the necessary progressive changes that have been going on in the past, that is to adapt the business of the company to the altering circumstances of the country. There was some little misunderstanding, he said, at the annual meeting but the accounts of it were magnified and all was smoothed over now. The headquarters of the company would not be changed to Montreal at present. Canadian affairs, he added, are looking well in England and he is sure we will have a good class of immigrants next year.

GOODS SOLD TO THE
TRADE ONLY.



GOODS SOLD TO THE
TRADE ONLY.

G. F. & J. GALT,

DIRECT IMPORTERS

TEAS, SUGARS, WINES, LIQUORS and GENERAL GROCERIES
CORNER PRINCESS AND BANNATYNE STREETS, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.

Milling Improvements.

Mr. P. McCoy Clark, practical milling superintendent of the Ogilvie system of mills, has recently made a very extended trip through Canada and the United States, with a view to acquiring additional knowledge in the milling line. Mr. Clark left Montreal several weeks ago, and visited Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Syracuse, Rochester, New York state and other points, making a thorough inspection of the mills. Rochester was at one time the great milling centre of the United States, but of late has lost its prominence in this respect, owing to the change in the system of milling and the growth of the industry in the West. From Mr. Clark we learn, however, that the milling industry is again looking up at Rochester. At Niagara Falls there are two large new mills. Mr. Clark thinks that the milling industry will assume large proportions there, owing to the great water-power, and the favorable facilities for receiving western wheat. The mills at the four points named, are principally employed grinding western wheat.

Mr. Clark visited and inspected the mills of the Ogilvie Company at Seaforth and Goderich, Ont., after leaving Niagara Falls, and came on from Goderich to Winnipeg, stopping on his way here at Chicago, Milwaukee and Minneapolis. At Milwaukee, which is quite a milling centre, are located the works of E. P. Allis & Co., the largest mill-furnishing institution on the continent. A good deal of machinery from this establishment is used in the Ogilvie mill here. At Minneapolis, Mr. Clark inspected the great mill owned by C. A. Pillsbury & Co., the largest in the world, with a capacity of 7,200 barrels per day. This is really two complete mills in one building, each one independent of the other. At present one portion is run by steam and the other by water power. The Minneapolis mills are all putting in steam fixtures, as the water-power is growing less every year, and cannot be depended upon. Of course, when the water-power is strong enough, the mills will run by water-power, but otherwise steam will be used, either in connection with water or alone. The decrease in the water-

power is attributed to the settlement of the country, and improved drainage which takes of the water more rapidly. The Washburn A. mill, the next largest of the Minneapolis giants, has a capacity of 4,500 barrels. One advantage millers have in these milling centres is, that they pick up all the latest improvements at once. They have manufacturers of milling machinery right among them, and any improvements are at once brought to their notice. Mr. Clark says the millers are always ready to at once adopt any improved appliances, regardless of expense, in order to get a lead if possible.

The object of Mr. Clark's trip was to examine into all the latest improvements in milling appliances, and by visiting these milling centres, he could examine the machinery in practical operation, and get the experience of millers. The Ogilvie Company, which has done so much for the development of the milling industry in Canada, is more than ever determined to keep up, and if possible even ahead of the times, and all new improvements in milling machinery will be secured for the mills of the company as fast as they come out, regardless of expense. As a result of the trip a number of improvements will be at once made to the Ogilvie mill in Winnipeg. Quite a quantity of new and improved machinery will be put in, which will add greatly to the value and appearance of the plant. These improvements will greatly improve the quality of the product of the mill, and insure greater economy in production. An elaborate system of electric lighting will also be introduced at once, consisting of from 80 to 100 distinct lights. The special value of this feature will be to secure perfect safety, so far as danger from fire is concerned, a very important consideration in a mill. It will also enable night-work to proceed under more favorable circumstances. When these improvements are carried out, the Ogilvie mill here will be in a better position than ever before, to compete not only for local trade, but also for domestic and export trade generally.

It is understood the Ogilvie Company have determined to push their Manitoba business more vigorously even than in the past. The

JAMES PYE, FLOUR MILL BUILDER

CONSULTING ENGINEER, &c
218 Third Avenue South,
MINNEAPOLIS, - MINN.

A Manitoba Testimonial.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Dec. 8th, 1887.

JAMES PYE, Esq., Minneapolis, Minn., U.S.A.:
DEAR SIR,—In handing you our check for \$1,301 24, in full for balance of your contract for building and enlarging our mill, we without solicitation wish to state, that you have done your work in a manner highly satisfactory to this company. The capacity which you guaranteed at 275 barrels we find ourselves fully under the mark, as we are at present making over 300 barrels, and the quality of the flour is all that we could wish for. Some of our largest purchasers frankly tell us, it is equal to any flour made in either Minnesota or this province. The yield also we find very satisfactory. We must also bear testimony to your pleasing and gentlemanly manner, and your willingness at all times to meet our wishes. This has made our business relations pleasant and we can honestly say, that we recommend you to any person, requiring anything in the mill building or mill furnishing line. Wishing you the success that stalks by dealing men to, we are
Yours very truly,

THE PORTAGE MILLING CO.
Jas. MacLennan, Managing Director.

principals of the company have full faith in the country, and they are showing this by continually increasing their investments here. At present it is intended to greatly increase the grain storage capacity of the company here. A large annex will be built in the rear of the mill elevator, extending back to the main line track of the C. P. R. This will about double the storage capacity at the mill here. It has not yet been decided as to what will be done next summer, in the direction of establishing additional elevators at country points, but it is understood the company will continue to extend this branch of their business, as occasion may require. Of course a good deal will depend on the crop outlook next summer, and should this be favorable, several new elevators will likely be put up.

Mr. Clark reports that the samples of wheat which he examined at the mill here, are of better quality than a good deal of wheat he saw on his trip through the States. He thinks there is a larger percentage of good wheat here this year than at Minneapolis and other southern points. regarding his trip, he states, that nothing is being done in the direction of constructing new mills at any of the points visited, as there is a general feeling that the industry is already sufficiently extended to meet present requirements. A great many mills were closed down, or running on short time, owing to the slow demand and low prices for flour, in comparison with the high prices of wheat. As regards the Winnipeg mill, Mr. Clark says it will compare favorably with the best mills on the continent, especially after the contemplated improvements are made.

Mr. Clark made a short visit to the new mill at Keewatin last week, before going south a few days later. On his way to Montreal he will again stop at some of the milling centres and make further investigations. He will also visit some points which were not taken in the way here, including Cleveland, Ohio.

W. R. ROBERTSON, late of the firm of Crawford and Robertson, merchants, Indian Head, is to manage Lafferty & Moore's banking business at Regina.

W. D. PETTIGREW & CO.

IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN

Shelf Hardware

Mill Supplies, Paints, Oils, Glass, Putty, etc., etc.

TINWARE, GRANITEWARE AND HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.

—WHOLESALE AGENTS FOR—

WM. BUCK'S STOVES.

CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.

528 Main Street, - WINNIPEG.

The Travelling Men.

A story is told of a Boston travelling man who, one evening while in Hartford, Conn., and after lounging about the hotel in disconsolate loneliness for an hour or two, asked the clerk if there was anything going on in town. The clerk suggested taking in a masquerade ball that was in progress. The drummer thought the idea was a good one, but he hadn't any costume. The clerk suggested that he borrow the colored porter's overalls and jumper, black his face and hands, and go. The suggestion was promptly acted upon, and for an hour the bogus colored man talked African-English and had a high old time among the masked belles. Finally the signal to unmask was given, and when the masks came off a great wave of darkness swept over the hall. Every blessed man, woman and child in the place was a full-blooded negro. The drummer cast one panic-stricken look at the crowd, and then made for the door.

A SHABBY TRICK.

Some years ago a representative of a large shoe house made a tour of Southern Texas for the purpose of gaining a trade through that section of the country. He found that in nearly every town he visited, the merchants were awaiting the coming of another tourist representing a rival house. On one occasion he entered a town and called on the proprietor of one of the leading shoe stores, who told him that he needed a large invoice of good but that Mr. Wilson, the rival drummer, was expected every day, but that if he did not come that night they could wait no longer. Our friend immediately decided to prevent the appearance of Wilson, but the question was, how could he do it? At last an idea entered his head, he went down to the depot and awaited the evening train on which his rival was expected. When Mr. Wilson stepped out on the platform he was greeted by our friend who immediately commenced telling of his good luck in selling the firm Wilson had called to see, a large bill of goods, and that another merchant a few miles distant had written him to come up on the morrow. This firm, in truth, was one of Wilson's best customers and had refused to give his rival an order the day before. After a few moments more conversation Mr. Wilson was left alone and commenced to soliloquize. He at last, decided to go up to the next town that night thereby getting the order. This suited our friend exactly, leaving the field open for him. He sold the firm a large order and secured their custom. They say Wilson is looking for him yet.



TASSE, WOOD & CO

Manufacturers of

Fine Cigars, MONTREAL.

Our Brands: { Reliance Terrier, Mikado and General Arthur.

Are unsurpassed by any in the Dominion

Ask your Wholesale Merchant FOR THEM.

ENGLISH OAK TANNED

LEATHER BELTING

LACE LEATHER, Etc.

Cotton and Woollen Mill Supplies.

JAMES LESLIE, JUNCTION OF GRAIG AND ST. ANTOINE STREETS,

P. O. Box 996.

MONTREAL.

S. R. PARSONS. HENRY BELL. W. E. HAZLE

PARSONS, BELL & CO.,

Wholesale Paper Dealers

—AND— GENERAL STATIONERS.

AGENTS

Canada Paper Company, Manufacturers Printing, Wrapping & Writing Paper &c., Montreal and Windsor Mills, Quebec.

Alex. Pirie & Sons, Manufacturers Fine Stationery, Aberdeen, Scotland.

M. Staunton & Co., Manufacturers Wall Papers, Toronto.

GERRIE BLOCK, PRINCESS STREET, WINNIPEG.

McALPINE TOBACCO CO.

TRY OUR

"SILVER ASH" Cut Smoking.

A Strong, Mellow and Lasting Smoke in 10 CENT PACKAGES.

—ALSO OUR—

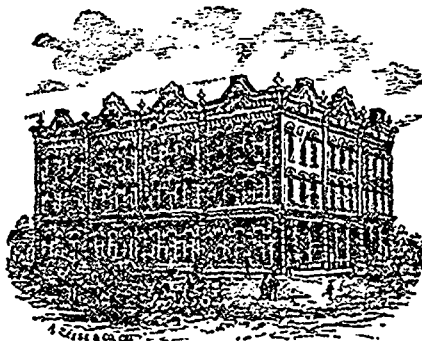
"Standard Kentucky"

FINE CUT CHEWING

The Superior of any Cut Chewing Tobacco in Canada.

WORKS: NEW YORK CITY, AND

ESPLANADE, - TORONTO.



THE CLARENDON.

The only FIRST CLASS solid brick hotel in Winnipeg. Elegant Dining Room.

TERMS MODERATE.

BENNETT & CO., PROPRIETORS.

HOT AIR FURNACES

Estimates given on application.

THE E. & C. GURNEY CO.,

OFFICE: Cor. Alexander and Princess Sts.,

WINNIPEG.

The Commercial

WINNIPEG, FEBRUARY 4, 1888.

THE WHEAT SITUATION.

According to *Broadstreet's* the total supply of wheat in the United States on the first of July last, was 470,000,000 bushels, made up of the crop of 1888, amounting to 415,000,000 bushels, according to the official returns, to which is added the balance or reserve from the crop of 1887, amounting to 55,000,000. Exports from both coasts of the United States from July 1st to date are placed at about 54,000,000 bushels, including flour represented by its equivalent of wheat. To the exports since July 1st may be added the quantity of wheat required for domestic use—for food, seed, etc.—to the amount of 352,000,000 bushels, leaving an apparent surplus of 64,000,000 bushels. Out of this surplus, however, it is estimated that only 26,500,000 bushels are available for export, the balance of 37,500,000 being necessary for reserve stock, to carry over to next crop. Of this reserve stock, about 7,500,000 bushels would be in the Pacific coast states. The amount of wheat available for export, according to these figures, looks very small. Only a little over one-half of the crop year has passed away, and it will be six months before new wheat will begin to come in, east of the Rocky mountains. Exports for the balance of the crop year must therefore be small to keep within the figures named and leave the designated amount of wheat to be carried over.

From this point of view the statistical position of wheat looks strong, and it is undoubtedly strong so far as this continent is concerned. But when the foreign situation is considered, it can be seen that the position of wheat is not as strong as conditions here would appear to make it. The surplus of wheat on this continent is certainly small, but nevertheless there is a surplus. Now, if foreign importing countries do not need our surplus, or rather, if importing countries are able to obtain all the wheat they require at lower prices than are asked for it here, it is evident that we will be obliged to keep our surplus, or take the prices which the foreigners are willing to pay. It will therefore be seen that the small surplus here, while giving strength to the domestic situation, does not necessarily

mean high prices. If the importing countries were short of wheat, and had to have our surplus, we could of course make them pay a stiff price for it; but in the present instance it does not appear that they will be obliged to buy our wheat at our own prices.

Great Britain is of course the principal wheat-importing country. The annual consumption of wheat in the United Kingdom is about 210,000,000 bushels. Imports into Great Britain together with deliveries of home-grown wheat, have been about 90,000,000 bushels for the present crop year to date. Home grown wheat yet to be delivered is estimated at about 33,000,000 bushels, and 20,000,000 bushels more were on passage. Stocks on hand in Great Britain were about 22,000,000 bushels, and allowing for a reserve of 15,000,000 bushels, Great Britain will require further imports of about 62,000,000 bushels to the end of the present crop year, or about 2,000,000 bushels per week.

In other European countries, stocks were on the large side on the first of the year, and Russia will be able to supply a good deal of wheat yet to the importing countries of that continent, from her crop of last year. Small surpluses of wheat can also be drawn from the Danubian provinces, Egypt, Algeria, South America and Australia. The harvest in Australia is now just about over, and is a poor one, but there is some reserve wheat on hand available for export, to the amount of eight to ten million bushels. The new crop of wheat in India will be available in April for further supplies to the extent of about 30,000,000 bushels. New California wheat will follow later, so that there seems to be little likelihood of a shortage at least before the last few weeks of the present crop year. By that time the influence of the new crops in sight will be paramount, and the course of prices will depend more upon the crop conditions than upon the immediate demand. With the possibility of a big crop in sight in Europe and America, about the first of July next, a temporary shortage in Europe would not be a very strong factor in advancing prices. The crop outlook for winter wheat is already almost the leading factor in the situation, and it will be steadily increasing in importance as the season advances. Any serious injury to this crop would have a strong influence upon prices.

But though the wheat situation in

Europe is not particularly strong, neither can it be said too weak. Imports into Great Britain and other importing countries have been large for about the first half of the present crop year, and stocks are a little on the large side, but a good deal of wheat will yet be required before the end of the crop year. It is estimated that France will have to import thirty to forty million bushels before the first of August next, and other importing countries will require smaller quantities. Under ordinary circumstances it is certain that the export movement from this continent will keep up in moderate proportion, and by the close of the crop year, our available surplus will have disappeared. While there appears to be plenty of wheat to fill the world's requirements for the balance of the crop year, there is not any large surplus above requirements, consequently there would seem to be nothing particularly depressing about the present statistical situation generally. Crop prospects in America and Europe will therefore be closely watched for the next few months, and the now evenly balanced position may be turned either way at any time by the outlook for next harvest.

EMBARKING IN BUSINESS.

It is peculiar that in Manitoba, so many farmers who have done well with their farms, and have succeeded within a few years in clearing a few thousand dollars, are anxious to risk their savings in business enterprises. A commercial traveller the other day related to the writer his experience with a Manitoba farmer who wished to go into the store business. This farmer had been very successful with his farm, and although only a short time in the province, he had succeeded in laying by about \$3,000, besides paying for his farm and implements. Prosperity, however, seemed to make him discontented with his calling, which, by the way is not an unusual feature in life, strange to say, and he had decided to give up his farm and go into business. He therefore wished the traveller, with whom he had been previously acquainted, to take his order for a bill of goods. His only experience in store trade amounted to a short season in a store while a lad, and being now in middle life, this, of course, was simply no experience at all. The traveller very properly endeavored to show the man the folly of giving up his farm, when he was doing so well, to embark in a risky business undertaking, and

he succeeded in inducing the farmer to postpone his intention of going into business for the present at least.

This is only one instance of many similar cases in which farmers have decided to give up farming in favor of a store business. It does seem strange that men who are doing well as they are, will thus risk their means in a calling which they know nothing at all about. In giving up a farm to embark in business, they throw away a certainty for a very great uncertainty. This farmer in question might possibly succeed in business, but the chances are greatly against him. In less time than it took to place him in his present independent position, he would not unlikely lose his savings and his farm property as well. Competition in store trade in keen nearly all over Manitoba. There are now altogether too many stores in the country, in proportion to population, and desirable openings for additional stores are difficult to find. What chance, then, would our farmer have, with his inexperience, to compete with those who were posted in the business? An occasional merchant here and there has done surprisingly well, but many have hardly held their own. The record of failures during the past year should convince impatient farmers of the folly of giving up a paying farm, to engage in a risky business enterprise. As a class, few merchants have done as well as this farmer during the past few years, especially considering the capital invested. Besides, the independence, and safety, and general immunity from anxiety, have all been on the side of the farmer. How many merchants who embarked in business a few years ago, with from \$3,000 to \$10,000, would now gladly change places with this prosperous farmer?

It is seldom that a farmer absolutely fails, though owing to lack of knowledge of farming, he may for a while find it up hill work. Still, perseverance almost invariably brings its reward. The record in Manitoba shows that the farmers as a class are steadily advancing in prosperity, although very few of them started with any considerable amount of cash. In the older sections, they are now able to indulge freely in luxuries, such as expensive carriages and musical instruments, etc., which a few years ago had very little sale in the province. On the other hand, men who started in business with some capital, a few years ago, have failed in not a few instances. Of course many failures are brought about by lack

of knowledge of the business, but this is just one of the reasons why the farmer should stick to his farm. Very few men who have followed farming long, and who have not had considerable previous experience in business, are competent to successfully conduct a store trade.

Fifty-two is the record of assignments in Manitoba and the Territories during 1888. The number of business institutions of all kinds in this region is estimated at about 4,000. This would make one failure for, say, every seventy-seven business institutions. But it must be remembered that the failures were nearly all in store lines, and the number of stores would be but a fraction of the total number of business institutions of all kinds—probably less than one-quarter of the whole. This would give us one failure in every eighteen or twenty stores.

Again, the assignments do not represent the total number of failures in business. Many men see that they are running behind and losing their capital, and they sell out. Others sink their own capital and perhaps borrowed money as well, and then the business is turned over, by the creditors, with the consent of the proprietor, to another party. Others get away behind, and arrange a private settlement with their creditors, on a basis of paying or agreeing to pay a certain percentage of their indebtedness. All these cases are practically failures, just as much so as the cases of assignment, but they are not publicly known as such. The assignments probably represent less than one-half the actual failures to conduct business profitably, and this would give us, say, one failure in every ten store establishments. It is asserted by persons who have made a study of the question, that only one man in ten fully succeeds in business. Why then should a farmer wish to give up a profitable calling to engage in such a risky experiment? Occasionally whole salers who are anxious to work up connections, may encourage farmers or other inexperienced persons, especially those having some ready cash, to embark in business, but in the long run such accounts generally turn out unsatisfactory. The better plan would seem to be to discourage such undertakings, except perhaps in a very few instances.

THE RAILWAY SITUATION.

The railway situation in Manitoba is again becoming interesting. Feeling con-

fidant that the province was bound to triumph in the crossing difficulty, the people have watched the proceedings at Ottawa in that connection with apparently less interest than might have been expected, considering the importance of the interests involved. Of late, however, certain rumors have been in circulation regarding proposed changes in the route of the lines to be built by the Northern Pacific and Manitoba company next summer, and this has renewed interest in the situation. It has also been intimated that the Local Government has made a new arrangement with the N. P. & M. Co., and N. P. Co., regarding freight rates. It is expected that the Government will have some new announcements to make to the Legislature, regarding its railway policy, and now that the Local House has met, the expectation of some further developments being made known, has increased interest in the question.

It has been supposed all along, that the extension of the N. P. & M. system to Portage la Prairie, was for the purpose of forming a connection with the Manitoba Northwestern at the Portage, and that some agreement to that effect existed between the two roads. Recent developments, however, would seem to indicate that no such agreement exists, and that the Northwestern railway does not intend to work in connection with the N. P. & M. road. It is now hinted that the road may be extended on from Portage la Prairie to Rapid City and Brandon, possibly with a view of connecting with the Northwest Central, now under construction, at or near Rapid City. The extension of the road from Portage la Prairie to Brandon, would very likely involve some changes in the route of the Morris-Brandon branch. At any rate, there seems to be a good deal of uncertainty as to the route to be taken by the proposed branch westward from Morris. Indeed, there is a good deal of uncertainty in the public mind, as to what may be done with any of the proposed lines; but perhaps the Government may enlighten us very shortly as to its intentions.

The latest move on the part of the C. P. R. Co., namely, the filing of a bill in chancery to restrain the N. P. & M. Co. from further operating and constructing its roads in Manitoba, excites very little comment. It is quietly regarded as the last kick of a dying monopoly, and as such, is considered unworthy of much attention.

White & White,

(LATE WHITE, JOSELIN & CO.)

7 Wellington Street West, TORONTO.

Laces, Embroideries, Cur-
tains, Gloves, etc.

WHITE & WHITE.

Wm. Ferguson,

WHOLESALE

WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

Permit Orders Promptly Executed

8th Street, - - Brandon

JAS. McCREADY & CO.,

WHOLESALE

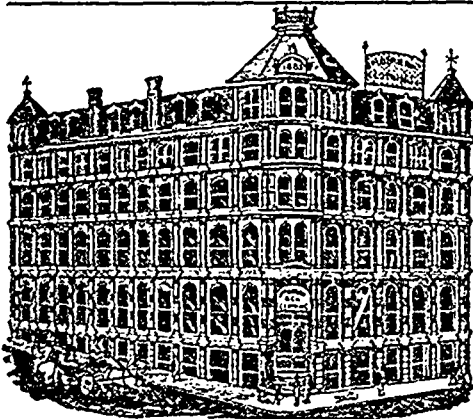
Boot and Shoe Manufacturers,
MONTREAL.SAMPLE ROOMS, 496 MAIN ST. WINNIPEG
W. WILLIAMS, AGENT.**MUNROE & CO.,**

Wholesale Dealers in

Wines, Liquors and Cigars

OF THE BEST BRANDS

9th STREET, - BRANDON

HEAD OFFICE AND MANUFACTORY :
VICTORIA SQUARE. - MONTREAL.

Furniture and Undertaking House.

M. HUGHES & CO

WHOLESALE & RETAIL

FURNITURE WAREHOUSES, 285 Main St
UNDERTAKING ROOMS, 517 Main Street

TELEPHONE No. 413.

Closest prices given to dealers

Satisfaction guaranteed in every
department.**LYMAN BROS. & CO.,**

WHOLESALE

CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS.Every requisite for the Drug Trade
promptly supplied.

TORONTO, ONT.

KIRKPATRICK & COOKSON

Established 1860,

MONTREAL,

Commission Merchants,

FLOUR, GRAIN, BUTTER, &c.

Consignments and Orders solicited

STRANG & CO.

Wishart Block, Market St. East,

WHOLESALE GROCERS

AND DEALERS IN

Provisions, Wines and Liquors,

WINNIPEG.

W. E. SANFORD M'F'G CO., Ltd.

MANUFACTURERS OF

CLOTHING

45 to 49 King St., Albert Street.

HAMILTON & WINNIPEG.

JAMES O'BRIEN & CO.,

'MANUFACTURERS' OF

CLOTHING

—AND—

Importers of GENTS' FURNISHINGS,

HATS, CAPS AND FUR GOODS, GLOVES
AND MITTENS.

72 and 74 Princess St., Winnipeg

MONTREAL BRASS WORKS.

MONTREAL, P.Q.

Robt. Mitchell & Co

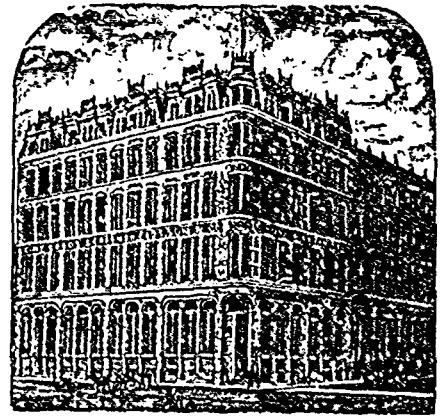
Proprietors, Manufacturers of

Gas Fixtures of Every Description.

Engineers, Plumbers,

Steam & Gasfitters Brass Goods.

Gas Meters and Automatic Fire Extinguishers.

SAMUEL HOOPER, DEALER IN MONUMENTS, HEAD
Stones, Mantle Pieces, Grates, &c. Special designs fur-
nished on application. Cor. Bannatyne and Albert Sts.
Winnipeg.**S. GREENSHIELDS,****SON AND CO.,**

GENERAL

DRY GOODS,17, 19 & 21 Victoria Square and 730,
732, 734 and 736 Craig Street, MONTREAL

Complete Set of Samples with

McLean Bros.,

Also with Donaldson's Block, WINNIPEG

Wm. Skeene, Innes Block, Vancouver, B.C.

MACKENZIE & MILLS,**WHOLESALE GROCERS**

Special attention given to

Teas, Coffees, Canned Goods,

DRIED FRUITS, Etc.

CORNER KING AND ALEXANDER STREETS,

WINNIPEG, MAN.

Booth & Langan,

WHOLESALE MANUFACTURERS OF THE

EAGLE BRAND**Fine Shoes, Boots, Slippers,**

ETC., ETC.

Every Variety of McKay Sewn, Goodyear
Welts and Hand Sewn.36 and 38 St. Peter Street, MONTREAL
and 51 and 53 Foundling St.

Represented by WM. WILLIAMS,

496 Main Street, WINNIPEG.

A. RAMSAY & SON

37 to 41 Recollet St., Montreal,

Manufacturers of

Paints and Colors, Varnishes, Mixed Paints,

Silvered Mirrors, Stained and Ornamental

Glass, and Importers of all

Painters' Material.

Plate Glass and German Sheet

R. RAMSAY & SON.

WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

In financial circles the week seemed to grow quieter as the month passed away, and as is usually the case at the wind up of the month matters are more inclined to drag. More activity may be looked for this week, including as it does the 4th of the month, on the first day of the week. A good deal of capital is locked up in grain at present, but the call for additional money from this source seems to grow lighter. In ordinary commercial paper the features already noted made business light. Mortgage loan business is quiet, but there is some enquiry for loans on city property, and a fairly good business is looked for toward spring, in both city and farm property loans.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

Scarcely anything doing was the general report, from dealers in nearly each and every branch of wholesale trade. The dull season seems to be at its depths, and little movement is expected for a few weeks yet. It is too early for spring goods, though in some lines stocks will soon be going out, and this will be the first sign of renewed activity. With the almost general dullness, prices are very steady, and little more than nominal in several branches.

DRUGS.

Prices are steady, as follows: Howard' quinine, 75 to 90c; German quinine, 65 to 75c; morphia, \$2.25 to \$2.75; iodide of potassium, \$1.25 to \$1.75; bromide of potassium, 65 to 75c; American camphor, 45 to 50c; English camphor, 50 to 55c; glycerine, 30 to 40c; tartaric acid, 70 to 75c; cream of tartar, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg, \$3 to \$10; bicarb soda, \$4.50 to \$5; sal soda, \$2.50 to \$3; chlorate of potash, 25 to 30c; alum, \$4 to \$5; copperas, \$3 to \$3.25; sulphur flour, \$4.50 to \$5; sulphur roll, \$4.50 to \$5.25; American blue vitrol, 7½ to 8½c.

DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING.

The firmness in prices in textile branches is well maintained. The advance previously reported, of 10 per cent in domestic grey cottons, has been a matter of interest. It has been brought about by an agreement of all the mills engaged in the manufacture of cottons to increase prices. It has been known that the mills have been selling grey cottons below the cost of production, and the feeling for some time has been that this state of things must be remedied. The mills which kept out of the former association, and thus caused its disruption, are now said to have joined the present one, not a mill that manufactures grey cottons being absent. Now that the prices of goods have been placed on a fairly remunerative basis, it is likely that they will be kept steady and unchanged. A Toronto report says: "Among wholesale merchants generally, with but few exceptions, the cotton combination meets with approval. Before the agreement there was no foundation to prices and it was always a question of dickering between the manufacturer and the wholesaler. At the present moment it will probably have a good effect on trade prospects to a certain extent and will steady business."

FURS.

The fur sales going on at London last week were the principal feature of interest. So far

as is yet known, good prices have been realized. One cable report says: "The Hudson's Bay fur sales showed an improved market, compared with January, 1888. Prices increased 15 per cent." However, it will not do to place too much confidence in brief cable reports, until full particulars are received. In the meantime, quotations will be withdrawn until the list can be revised, in accordance with the sales.

FRUITS—GREEN.

Business is of course dull. The apple market appears to be very weak, and prices are irregular. Stocks appear to be fairly large, and there is a good deal of poor fruit offering. Good ordinary, sound stock are offered at \$3 per barrel, and it would require to be something very fancy to bring over that price. Poorer qualities are selling under \$3, and in some instances as low as \$2.50. Messina Oranges are in the market. Stocks of fruit are not very varied at present, but new sorts are now offering, and early spring fruits will soon commence to arrive. Prices are as follows: Apples, \$3.00, for good ordinary stock; Montreal fameuse, \$4.25 per barrel. British Columbia winter pears are offered in large boxes at \$4 to \$4.25 per box. Messina lemons are quoted at \$6 Florida oranges, choice, \$6 to \$6.25; russets, \$5.50 to \$6.00; Messina oranges \$6.00 per box; Malaga grapes in 50 to 65 pound kegs are quoted at \$9 to \$11 as to size of keg; Cranberries are quoted: bell and cherry, \$9 to 9.50; bell and bugle, \$9.50 to \$10. Southern onions, \$2 50 per 100 pounds; Spanish onions, \$1.75 per crate of about 50 pounds; cider, rectified, in barrels, 35c per gallon.

FRUITS—DRIED.

Prices are as follows: Valencia raisins \$2.25 to \$2.35; Larger Valencias, \$2.75 to \$3.00; London layers \$4.75; Black Basket, ¼ boxes, \$1.75; Black Crown, \$6.25. New currants 7½c; evaporated apples, 9½c; peaches, 30c; apricots, 22½c; peeled peaches, 24 to 29c; unpeeled peaches, 17 to 19c; prunellas, 19c; dried apples, 6½ to 7c. Eleme figs, in 10 to 20 lb. boxes, 15 to 18c per lb; one pound boxes, \$1.75 per dozen; Fancy golden dates in 50lb. boxes, 9c per pound; ordinary dates, 7c per lb; walnuts, 18c per lb; peanuts, raw, 15c; roasted, 17c; almonds, 20c; pecans, 17c; Filberts, 15c; Brazils, 17c per lb; Coccoanuts, \$10 per 100.

FISH AND OYSTERS.

Just about the same varieties are in the market as last reported, and prices are very slightly changed as follows: Lake Winnipeg white bring in jobbing lots, 7½ to 8c; pickerel, are worth about 5c; and pike, 2½ to 3c; Lake Superior trout are quoted at 8c. Fresh salt water fish are offered as follows.—Cod, 8c; haddock, 8c; tommy cods, 5c; smelts, 10c per pound; herrings, \$2.50 per 100 fish. Cured fish are quoted:—Boneless cod in crates of small boxes, 8½c per pound; in boxes of from 25 to 40 pounds, 7½c per lb; Labrador herrings, No. 1, \$9.50 per barrel; No. 2, \$8.50; No. 1, \$5.25 in half barrels; smoked finnan haddies, 10 cents per pound; smoked red herrings, 30 cents per box; St. John bloaters, \$1.75. Oysters unchanged in price and quoted in bulk at \$1.80 a gallon for Standard and \$2 for Select. Cans are held at 50c to 55c for the same brands.

GROCERIES.

Sugars are some easier in this market, granulated having declined ¼c. Other prices are steady. White sugars declined ¼c on Monday in eastern Canada markets, but foreign advices were stronger, both from New York and London. China teas were reported stronger and improving in price, from London. Mocha coffee was reported more plentiful and easier, from the east. Prices here are: Sugars—yellows 6½ to 7½c; granulated 8½c; lumps 9½ to 10½c. Coffees—Rios, from 21 to 24c; Java, 25 to 30c; Old Government 33 to 34c; Mochas, 32 to 35c. Teas, Japan 23 to 46c; Congous, 29 to 60c; Indian teas, 1 to 60c; young hyson, 26 to 50c. T. and J. tobacco, 50c per pound; P. of W., butts 40½c; P. of W. caddies, 47c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c; Brier, 7s, 53c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d. thick Solaca, 6s, 48c; Brunotto Solaca, 12s, 48c. Specia brands of cigars are quoted; Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40; Terrier, \$30 per 1000.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

The hide market continues very dull and prices low and weak. 2 to 2½c is now offered here for frozen hides. By grade, prices are nominal as follows: Winnipeg inspected, No. 1, 3½c; No. 2, 2½c; No. 3, 2c. Frozen hides, 2½ to 3c all round. Calfskins are quoted at 4 to 5c, but few are offering, and most are classed at kip, which are worth 2c. Sheepskins 25 to 50c as to quality. Tallow, at 2½c for rough, and 5c for rendered.

THE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

WHEAT.

There was not much change in leading American wheat markets during last week, and prices were fairly steady. Trading was active on some days, but a very weak feeling prevailed on several days of the week. Important features early in the week were favorable to the bulls, but they seemed to have little effect in the direction of strengthening prices. On Monday, January 28, the visible supply showed the large decrease of 1,003,561 bushels, making a total of 35,595,468 bushels, against 41,761,128 bushels a year ago, and 61,885,068 bushels two years ago. Exports of wheat and flour from the Atlantic seaboard for the week ended Jan. 26, were equal to 572,750 bushels, against 898,900 bushels for the same week last year. Exports for the month of December from both coasts were 698,613 barrels of flour and 3,919,692 bushels of wheat, against 1,171,365 barrels and 4,226,386 bushels for December a year ago. One year ago last Monday May wheat closed at Chicago at 81½c, against 98½c last Monday. For the first 19 weeks of this season wheat has averaged 32s 6d in England, against 30s for the same period of last season, and 31s 10d for the same period of 1886-87. Total receipts of spring wheat at the four principal markets of Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis and Duluth, since the commencement of the crop year, have been 46,173,000 bushels, against 60,334,000 bushels for the same period of last year, and 63,355,000 bushels for the same

portion of 1886-87. Winter wheat receipts at the five principal markets, since the commencement of the present crop year, have been 26,843,000 bushels, against 26,853,000 for the same period of 1887-88, and 35,562,000 bushels for the same period of 1886-87. Total receipts this crop year are 73,016,000, against 97,188,000 to the same date last year, and 97,917,000 to the same date the previous year. Wheat and flour on passage on Monday last showed a decrease of 1,968,000 bushels.

The local situation holds fairly steady as to the average of prices, though there was more disposition shown last week again to run to extreme ranges in some country markets. Deliveries were very light, owing perhaps partially to a few stormy days during the week. Light deliveries induced country buyers to run up prices to above 90c for best samples, in several markets, but it is likely they were careful not to get much wheat at these figures. From 90 to 95c was paid in this way at half a dozen different points, to farmers, and 96c was reported from one market. Other markets ranged from 82 to 90c for best samples, to farmers, best samples meaning anything between No. 1 hard and No. 1 northern, though supposed to be on a basis of No. 1 hard. The average price would probably be about 87c.

FLOUR.

Prices hold steady. Production was not very heavy last week. The large Ogilvie mill is shut down, a quantity of new machinery being put in. The large Keewatin mill was also closed for repairs last week. Prices to the local trade are:—Patents, \$2.80; strong bakers, \$2.60; XXX, \$2.00; superfine, \$1.50; Graham flour, \$2.60; middlings, \$2.80.

MILLSTUFFS

Prices have been reduced \$1 per ton for bran and shorts, and are now quoted at \$10 for bran and \$11 for shorts; ground feed, \$20 to \$21 per ton.

BARLEY.

There is no change to report in this grain. About 35c is still the highest price paid in the city for best malting samples offered. At outside points, 35c would be paid on track, at southern provincial points for No. 3 malting, and perhaps a little higher at low freight rate points.

OATS.

Oats were a little firmer in the city, deliveries being light, perhaps owing to rough weather on several days. As high as 30c per bushel was paid in some instances, but it would not be safe to quote over 28c for loads on the market, as this is about the highest figure that can be relied upon for good samples.

OAT AND CORNMEAL, ETC.

There has been some cutting in corn meal, cuts having been made under quotations. Prices as follows:—\$2.50 for standard oatmeal and \$2.65 for granulated per hundred. Rolled oats, 80 pound sacks, \$3. Cornmeal was held at \$2 per hundred. Pot barley is held at \$2.75, and pearl barley at \$3.25 per sack.

CHEESE.

Very little demand, and prices easy. It is claimed that sales have been made under 10c per pound, though quotations range from 10½ to 11c.

BUTTER.

There was not much demand from the local trade. Some demand was reported for large lots for shipment eastward, the quality wanted being ordinary to good dairy. It was found, however, that stocks in the city were not large enough to make up car lots very readily. So long as only the local requirements are to be

filled, a small increase in the supply would produce an easier feeling, but an outside demand for a few large lots would leave the market very bare, if it could be filled at all. Prices may be quoted as ranging from 20 to 21c for good to choice dairy, in small lots.

EGGS.

The egg market has continued easier, and the expected rally in prices did not materialize. Fresh have been coming in from the country, notwithstanding cold weather, to some extent, and imports from the south continue to arrive. Some limed are also still in the market. Limed are held at 22c, and fresh at 25 to 26c per dozen, in case lots.

LARD.

Chicago lard is usually quoted at \$2.35 in 20 lb. pails, but cutting in prices has been going on, and sales have been heard of at as low as \$2.25 and \$2.30 per pail. Home rendered is steady at \$2.40 per 20 lb. pail.

CURED MEATS.

Prices hold steady in meats and are quoted as follows: Dry salt bacon, 11c, smoked breakfast bacon, 14c; rolls, 12½; hams, 14½ to 15c.

DRESSED MEATS.

Hogs are offering more freely, but not as much so as was expected. Prices are easy. Packers are offering 7½c, and for choice lots of even sized, fat hogs, 7½c would be paid. Prices for hogs in eastern markets continue to rule lower. Beef here is steady at 5 to 5½c for good to choice frozen sides. Mutton, 10c, and 9c in large lots.

POULTRY.

Unchanged at 8c for chickens, 13c for turkeys, and 11 to 12c for ducks and geese.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes usually bring about 30c per bushel in quantities. Onions, \$1.50, carrots, 60c, turnips, 25c, parsnips, \$1, beets, 50c, all per bushel. Celery scarce. 40 to 75c per dozen bunches, as to quality. Cabbage average 75c per dozen for good.

Toronto Markets.

Wheat—Steady and quoted: No. 2 fall, \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 2 spring, \$1.05 to 1.06; No. 2 red winter, \$1.05 to \$1.07; Manitoba No. 1 hard, \$1.22 to \$1.23; Manitoba No. 2 hard, \$1.17 to \$1.18.

Oats—Weak, and offerings liberal. Some No. 1 white sold at 37c on the track, but light mixed were offered at 32c.

Barley—Dull and easier. Quoted: No. 1, 60 to 61c; No. 2, 57 to 58c; No. 3, extra, 53 to 54c; No. 3, 47 to 49c.

Flour—Patent \$5.40 to \$6.30; straight roller, \$4.80 to 4.85; extra, \$4.50 to \$4.60; strong bakers', \$4.90 to \$5.75; bran, \$14.50 to \$16.

Butter—Prices were unchanged. Rolls sold at 16 to 18c for medium to best, and tubs from 14 to 17c for common to medium, and 18 to 20c for good to choice. Creamery 23 to 24c; dairy, choice to selected, 19 to 21c; dairy, ordinary, 15 to 18c; store packed, 12 to 16c; large rolls, 14 to 19c.

Cheese—Full cream, 11 to 11½c; medium, 9 to 9½c; skims, 8½ to 9c.

Dressed hogs—Good to choice sold at \$6.50 to \$7, while heavy went from \$6 to \$6.25.

Apples—Unchanged at \$1 to \$2 per barrel, as to quality.

Dried Apples—at 3½ to 4c. Evaporated at 6c in cans and 7 to 7½c in small lots.

Eggs—Fresh, sold at 17 to 18c, but strictly new laid were held at 12c. Pickled sold at 15 to 17c.

Poultry—Turkeys, 10 to 11c for choice dry-plucked; geese, in demand at 7 to 8c; ducks nominal at 60 to 80c per pair. Chickens, in demand, at 35 to 60c per pair.

Montreal Markets.

Grain—Quiet and prices steady as follows: Spring wheat, \$1.15; red winter, \$1.18; white, \$1.18; No. 1 hard Manitoba, \$1.20 to \$1.22; No. 2 do, \$1.18 to \$1.20; peas, 68 to 70c per 66 lbs.; oats, 34 to 35c; barley, 60 to 65c.

Flour—There has been no change in flour market. Patent winter, \$6 to \$6.50; patent spring, \$6 to \$6.15; strong bakers', \$5.25 to \$5.70.

Oatmeal—Standard, per brl., \$5.70; granulated, per brl., \$4.50.

Provisions—Pork was easier. Prices were: Mess pork, \$15; hams, canvased, per lb., 12 to 12½c; hams, green, per lb., 8½c; bacon, per lb., 11 to 11½c; shoulders, 6c; lard, in pails, per lb., 10c; tallow, common, refined, per lb., 6 to 6½c.

Dressed hogs—The receipts of hogs continue fair and the demand. Car lots sold at \$6.50, and jobbing lots at \$6.60 to \$6.75 per 100 pounds.

Eggs—Western in barrels sold at 16c; limed, 17 to 17½c; fresh 18 to 19c per dozen.

Poultry—Turkeys sold at 8 to 9½c; geese at 5 to 7c; ducks at 8 to 10½c, and chickens at 5 to 7c per lb.

Butter continued quiet and featureless, with local wants only. Creamery, 22 to 26c; townships, 19 to 22c; Brockville 17 to 19c; western, 16 to 17c.

Cheese—There was no apparent change here. Finest September and October 11½ to 12c; Aug. 11 to 11½c. fine, 10½ to 10½c; medium, 9½ to 9½c.

Damaged Wheat

There appears to be good reason to believe that the use of badly frozen wheat for seed is extremely risky. From the following result of tests of frozen wheat, by Prof. Saunders, of the experimental farm at Ottawa, it will be seen that thirteen samples out of 41 were altogether unfit for seed. This is a large percentage of worthless samples.

Prof. Saunders reports the result of forty-one samples of frozen wheat sent from Manitoba and the Northwest for the purpose of ascertaining its suitability for seed. It varied in germinating power from 21 to 99 per cent. The vitality of thirteen samples was so low as to render them unfit for seed, no matter how large the quantity sown. Five samples which showed over 90 per cent. vitality have been returned as good for seed when sown in the usual quantity, and the remaining twenty-three, ranging in vitality from 66 to 89 per cent., have received qualified recommendations. The use of such seed, the professor says, is not without risk, but should the season be favorable it is likely that in the fertile soil of the western prairies many of the weakly plants would eventually become strong. It would be wise, however, in using such seed to sow a larger quantity than is customary, to compensate for the lack of vitality. Barley and oats are also being tested, and there will be further tests of wheat.

FRANK McRAE, hotelkeeper, East Selkirk, is dead.

WISHART & Co., cigars, Winnipeg, sheriff in possession.

Jos. TOTTLE, livery, Winnipeg, is succeeded by Bell Bros.

J. W. ANDERSON, Brandon, will likely add groceries to his business.

D. A. HOPPER, general storekeeper, Rapid City, Man., has sold out.

THE Emerson International newspaper business and printing plant is offered for sale.

D. HUNTER, hotelkeeper, Whitewood, Man., has sold out. Succeeded by J. Breckon.

HAMILTON & Co., general storekeepers, Morris, Man., have called a meeting of creditors for Feb. 4th.

EMERSON & BELL, tents, etc., Brandon, have dissolved partnership, C. Emerson will continue the business.

J. E. WOODWORTH and ATKINSON are off the grain market at Deloraine, owing to the light deliveries of wheat.

THOS. GREEN, butcher, Brandon, has opened a pork-packing establishment in the cellar of the old Grand Central Hotel.

Jos. CARMAN, produce and commission merchant, Winnipeg, went east on a business trip last week. He will go as far as Halifax, N. S.

THE sheriff is in possession of the stock of G. C. Long, dry goods, Winnipeg. The stock will be offered for sale, by auction, on February 4. It amounts to about \$9,000.

EFFORTS are being made among Brandon Conservatives to amalgamate the *Times* and *Mail* newspapers of that place. A joint stock company, it is said, is being organized for that purpose.

R. J. HUTCHINGS, of Winnipeg, has taken over the harness and saddlery business at Calgary, lately conducted by Geo. Murdoch. The name of the new company will be the Hutchings Saddlery Co.

Mr. Cowan, of Cowan & Co., bankers, Boissevain, Man., who opened a bank in the place named a short time ago, has now taken up his permanent residence at Boissevain, having recently moved there from Winnipeg.

NIXON & Co., wholesale boots and shoes, Winnipeg, had their stock damaged by fire last week. Loss about \$1,000; fully covered by insurance. Boyd's book bindery adjoining was only damaged to the amount of a few dollars.

It is reported that the C. P. R. Co. contemplate the early bridging of the Niagara river at Lewiston, and forming a connection with the Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg line. By so doing, it could reach New York city from Rome over the New York, Ontario & Western.

MORDEN Monitor:—A Toronto agent has been fined \$10 for soliciting orders for clothing at Brandon. Why not inflict a fine for soliciting orders for printing and other kinds of goods which people can purchase as well in their own town as from the drummers.

PORT ARTHUR Sentinel:—Walpole Roland has returned from one of his periodical visits to the mines, and brought with him a collection of ores for shipment to England, which will give

parties there ocular demonstration of what our mines produce. A *Sentinel* reporter called at Mr. Roland's office and saw the collection, among which are some very fine samples of gold and silver ores. The gold specimens show native gold well disseminated throughout and as the gold is visible to the naked eye it requires no assays to convince of the richness of the ore. The same may be said of the silver samples which are, however, the more attractive because the silver is more readily seen.

THE official trade returns show Manitoba's total export in 1888 to have been \$1,304,000, made up of agricultural products \$148,723, of which \$141,158 went to the United States; fisheries, \$93,673; animals and their products, \$961,360; minerals, \$1,440; manufactures, \$43,990; miscellaneous, \$23,000. Of the total exports Great Britain took \$844,524, and the United States \$460,000. Of Manitoba's total imports of \$1,729,000, the United States supplied \$842,249; Great Britain, \$575,894; France, \$16,000; and Germany, \$15,333. The total imports show a falling off from 1887 of about \$300,000, and the total exports show an increase of \$430,000. The imports paid a duty of \$444,800. The territories imported \$560,000 as against \$452,000 in 1887. These Ottawa statistics of course only show a small portion of the total trade of this province. Our exports of wheat and flour, as well as other products, are largely to the eastern provinces of Canada, and consequently are not considered in the statistics given above. In the same way, imports into the province are entered at Montreal, Toronto, and other eastern centres, to a large extent, and consequently do not appear as imports into Manitoba. Owing to our geographical situation, a large portion of the trade of Manitoba is done either with or through eastern Canada markets, while the official statistics only take into account the direct trade of the province with foreign countries.

A. W. MORRIS & BRO.

PROPRIETORS OF

ESTABLISHED 1825.



The J. A. Converse Manufacturing Co

MONTREAL, Q., and PORT HOPE, Ont.

MANUFACTURE THE FAMOUS

Red Cap Brand of Binder Twine.

THE MOST SATISFACTORY IN THE MARKET.

— ALSO —

CORDAGE, **BAGS** GALGINED and LAND
Jute and Cotton **PLASTER**

Head Office: = MONTREAL.

Manitoba and Northwest Agents:

MERRICK, ANDERSON & Co., Winnipeg

EASTERN MARKETS.

CHICAGO

On Monday, Jan. 23, May wheat opened at 99½c, and ranged from 98½c to \$1.00½. The large decrease in the visible supply, and good exports for last week firmed up prices for a while, but notwithstanding these strong influences the market soon became very weak, and sold down. Closing prices were ?

	Feb.	Mar.	May.	June.
Wheat	94½	—	98½	95½
Corn	35½	35½	36½	36½
Oats	25	—	27½	27½
Pork	11.05	11.75	12.02½	12.17½
Lard	6.87½	6.87½	6.97½	7.07½
Short Ribs	6.12½	6.20	6.32½	6.22½

On Tuesday, May wheat opened at 98¾c, and ranged from that figure downward to 96½c. A large decrease in the quantity of wheat on passage caused a little firmness at the opening, but there seemed to be no support to the market, and prices began to slide down early in the day. Closing prices were:

	Feb.	Mar.	May.	June.
Wheat	93½	—	97½	94½
Corn	34½	35½	36½	36½
Oats	25	—	27½	27½
Pork	11.52½	11.62½	11.87½	—
Lard	6.85	6.87½	6.97½	7.00
Short Ribs	6.05	6.12½	6.25	—

On Wednesday May wheat opened at 97½c, and ranged from 96½ to 98¾c. Prices were influenced by local speculative trading mainly. Closing quotations were:

	Feb.	Mar.	May.	June.
Wheat	94½	—	98½	95½
Corn	35½	35½	36½	36½
Oats	25½	—	27½	27½
Pork	11.75	11.85	12.10	—
Lard	7.02½	7.05	7.12½	7.15
Short Ribs	6.17½	6.25	6.37½	6.42½

On Thursday wheat was stronger at the opening, owing to cold weather in the winter wheat region. May opened ½c higher, and advanced a point or two, but became weak and declined 1c, continuing weak to the close, as follows:

	Feb.	Mar.	May.	June.
Wheat	94½	—	97½	95
Corn	35½	35½	36½	—
Oats	25½	26	27½	—
Pork	11.60	11.60	11.85	—
Lard	6.87½	6.90	7.00	—
Short Ribs	6.10	6.17½	6.27½	—

Wheat prices fluctuated within a narrow range on Friday, and no new features of importance were noted. May sold down to 96½c. Closing prices were:

	Feb.	Mar.	May.	June.
Wheat	94½	—	97½	94½
Corn	35½	35½	37	36½
Oats	25½	25½	27½	27½
Pork	11.35	11.47½	11.65	11.75
Lard	6.85	6.87½	6.97½	7.00
Short Ribs	6.05	6.05	6.17½	6.22½

Closing prices for wheat on Saturday were: Feb. 94c; May 97½c; June 94½c; July 88½c.

MINNEAPOLIS

Closing quotations on Thursday for wheat were as follows:

	Jan.	May.	On track.
No. 1 hard	1.14	1.18	115
No. 1 northern	1.01½	1.03½	1.03-64
No. 2 "	92	94	95-97

Closing quotations for flour were: Patents, sacks to local dealers, \$6.10 to \$6.20; patents to ship, sacks car lots, \$3.90 to \$6.00; in

barrels, \$6.05 to \$6.15. Delivered at New England points, \$6.50 to \$6.95; bakers, here, \$4.10 to \$5.10; superfine, \$2.50 to \$4.10; red dog, sacks, \$1.50 to \$1.65; red dog, barrels, 1.70 to \$1.85.

Barley—Most barley offered was frosted or stained with holders asking 40 to 50c; demand poor.

DULUTH.

The market held pretty steady last week, and fluctuations in prices were not wide. No. 1 northern was held at about \$1, No. 2 northern at 90c, and No. 3 northern at 70c. Closing prices for No. 1 hard on each day of the week were:

	Cash.	Feb.	May	June.
Monday	1.13	1.13	1.19	1.19½
Tuesday	1.12½	1.12½	1.18	1.18
Wednesday	1.13	1.13	1.19	1.19½
Thursday	1.12½	1.12½	1.18½	1.18½
Friday	1.12½	1.12½	1.18	1.18

Closing prices on Saturday were: Cash, \$1.12; Feb. \$1.12½; May, \$1.17½; June, \$1.17½.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

The following quotations on Feb. 1 as compared with prices on Jan. 25, will indicate the course of the stock market:

	Jan. 25.		Feb. 1.	
	Offered.	Bid.	Offered.	Bid.
Montreal	226	225	226½	225½
Ontario	126½	126	126½	126
Toronto	212½	212	212½	212
Merchants	137½	136½	138½	137
Commerce	118½	117½	118½	117½
Molson's	165	157½	165	157½
Union	97	93	97	93
N. W. Land Co.	65	62	67½	65½
C. P. R.	52½	52½	52½	52½

CANADIAN SECURITIES IN ENGLAND.

The Canadian Gazette of Jan. 16, gives the following quotations of leading Canadian securities in the London market:

	Price.	Rise.	Fall.
Canada 3½ per cents.	105	1	—
Ditto 4 per cents, 1874-9.	110	1	—
Ditto 3 per cents.	94½	½	—
British Columbia 4½ per cents.	112	1	—
Manitoba 5 per cents	112	—	—
Quebec 5 per cents, 1874 and 1876.	—	—	—
Ditto 4½ per cents.	—	—	—
Ditto 5 per cents, 1883	—	—	—
Ditto 4 per cents.	103	—	—
Montreal 5 per cents, 1879.	108	—	—
Toronto 4 per cents.	103	—	—
Winnipeg 5 per cents	111	2	—
Canadian Pacific shares (N.Y. register)	53½	½	—
Ditto shares (London register)	53½	½	—
Ditto first mortgage bonds.	104½	—	½
Ditto 3½ per cent. land grant bonds	95½	½	—
Grand Trunk ordinary stock.	10½	½	—
Ditto first preference.	68	2½	—
Manitoba and Northwestern bonds	106	2	—
Manitoba Southwestern bonds	—	—	—
Bank of British Columbia.	35½	½	—
Bank of B. N. A.	75	1	—
Trust and Loan of Canada, £5 paid.	5	—	—
Ditto £3 paid.	2½	—	—
Manitoba Mortgage.	—	—	—
British American Land	29	—	—
Canada North-West Land	3½	—	½
Hudson's Bay	19	½	—
Land Corporation of Canada	½	—	—
Vancouver Coal.	6½	—	—

Chicago Barley Market.

Offerings were common to good Northwestern grown. Buyers appeared for moderate quantities and the market was dull and practically steady at a former range of prices. Some choice

Manitoba barley sold at 70c, good to fair No. 3 Northwestern was saleable at 68c to 55c and poor as low as 42c, with No. 4 at 45 to 63c. No Pacific coast barley of consequence has appeared for some days, as current prices are not attractive. Some fancy Canadian grown was on sale and held at 83 to 85c for No. 1 to arrive.—Daily Business, Feb. 1.

General Notes.

A Toronto telegram says: J. W. Gale & Co., wholesale dry goods, have assigned. Liabilities, \$250,000; assets barely half that amount.

A deputation of woollen manufacturers waited on the Minister of Customs at Ottawa recently. The visitors asked for an increase of duty on woollen cloths in order to foster the industry. English competition is very keen. The duty levied at present is 20 per cent, ad valorem, and seven and one-half cents per pound. Hon. Mr. Bowell, promised to take their representations into consideration.

If evidence were wanting to prove the rapid growth and prosperity of Montreal, it may be obtained by reference to the report of the building inspector. Last year the number of new buildings erected in the city was 933, including 1533 tenements, 68 stores, 1 warehouse, 18 manufactories, 110 shops, and 2 churches, at an estimated cost of \$3,477,895. Ten years ago the number of new buildings erected was only 241.

The annual meeting of the Toronto board of trade was held on Thursday last, President W. D. Matthews presiding. The secretary's report was of a gratifying nature. Treasurer Rose reported an income of \$9,832 and an expenditure of \$7,424, leaving a balance of \$2,407. The third year gratuity scheme began July last, and now 520 members are entitled to benefits. During the year \$15,772 was paid out to relatives of deceased members. Balance on hand, \$32,000. The election of officers resulted in Matthews being re-elected by a vote of 345 against 292 for D. R. Wilkie; John I. Davidson, first vice-president, by acclamation; H. N. Baird, second vice-president, by a majority of 67 votes. Unimportant changes were made in other sections.

E. BOWERS will open a harness shop at Brandon.

KEEWATIN *Hustler*:—The new steamer about to be built here by D. Lewis & Co., will cost about \$10,000. She will be constructed on the Mississippi steamboat style, and will be 140 feet long, and 24 feet beam. There will be 28 staterooms, elegantly fitted up, and her carrying capacity will be 300 passengers. The fittings, which will be the newest and most artistic to be obtained, will be put in by the Pullmans, of Chicago. It is intended to make weekly trips to Fort Francis, to run excursions from Winnipeg in connection with the C. P. R., to carry pleasure, fishing and picnic parties in and out among our picturesque islands, and over our beautiful lakes, besides keeping up regular trips between Kewatin and Rat Portage. Mr. Lewis along with Mr. Walsh, of Toronto, who we believe to be interested in the enterprise, went into Winnipeg on Monday last to make final arrangements.

Lumber Cuttings.

J. A. Christie, of Brandon, has gone east to purchase machinery for his new mill, which will cost about \$20,000.

The cut of the Saginaw valley mills reached 875,034,440 feet last season, which was about 100,000,000 feet more than was cut the preceding year—or for three preceding years for that matter. The largest output occurred in 1888, when 1,011,294,905 feet was cut. The increased production was due to the exceptionally favorable condition which prevailed during all the season on the Saginaw.

Mississippi Valley Lumberman:—The journals which have condoled with the loggers because of the open winter and the lack of snow, have been too quick. The past two weeks have offered ideal conditions for putting logs on the bank, with the exception, perhaps, that a little more snow might have been welcome in some localities. But the general conditions have been above the average. The steam log hauler is not proving, however, all that was promised for it, particularly in the localities where the snow is light. One or two instances are recorded where attempts to utilize it have been abandoned. It is evident that plenty of snow is one of the first requirements necessary to the operation of the steam log hauler, and that it is easier to make a road for the old fashioned bunk drawn by four or six horses than the behemoth of the logging camp.

At the present session of the Ontario Legislature a bill will be introduced which will affect largely the interests of Canadian and United States lumbermen. Canadians are complaining of the way timber limits in Ontario are disposed of by the Provincial Government, particularly the valuable white pine of the Algoma district, which is worth thousands of millions of dollars. This pine is almost indigenous to Algoma, and the argument is made that instead of giving Canadians a chance to buy these lands, the Government sells it in such large tracts that no Canadians have sufficient capital to purchase. The whole district is being bought up by the capitalists from the other side of the line. Considerable feeling is being developed because Canadians anxious to take up land and put the timber on the market are being shut out. The United States capitalists who are buying up the land are holding on to it, and it is constantly increasing in value. It is claimed that during last year the Government realized \$1,500,000 from the sale of these lands. Pressure will be brought to bear on them in the direction of a law that will to a large extent keep out American capital.

REGINA Journal: Over two hundred dollars worth of beer, that had been shipped in without permit, was seized by the police on Friday last, and spilled. The shipper, a Winnipeg agent for Carling, applied for permits when the beer was at the station here.

THE C. P. R. Co. has refused heretofore to pay losses for cattle killed on the track, in the Territories. It is understood a prominent rancher, who has suffered severely from cattle being killed in this way, will bring a suit against the company, with the object of testing the liability of the railway corporation.

J. S. NORRIS. JAS. CARRUTHERS.
Norris & Carruthers,
FLOUR AND GRAIN
COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

Produce Exchange Buildings,
COR. SCOTT & COLBORNE STS., TORONTO. CORN EXCHANGE, MONTREAL.

Liberal advances made on consignments of Flour, Wheat, Barley and Oats.
CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.

PROVISIONS!

ASK YOUR GROCER FOR GRIFFIN'S
Sugar Cured Hams, Breakfast Bacon,
Pure Pork Sausage, Spiced Rolls,
Prime Kettle Rendered Lard,

—ALSO—
LONG CLEAR BACON, BARRELL PORK,
BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE,
AT CLOSE PRICES TO THE TRADE

J. Y. Griffin & Co.
Packers and Provision Merchants,
WINNIPEG.

Allen & Brown,
(LATE OF GRIFFIN & ALLEN)

Pork Packers,
Hams, Bacon, Sausage, Bologna.

Lowest Quotations to the Trade.
WILL PAY THE HIGHEST CASH PRICE
FOR DRESSED HOGS.
CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.
70 McDERMOT STREET, - WINNIPEG.

J. S. CARVETH & CO.,
PORK PACKERS

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
General Produce Dealers. Correspondence
solicited.
23 Jemima Street, WINNIPEG

HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR
DRESSED HOGS.

Quotations furnished upon application,
A. MACDONALD & CO.,
Packers and Commission Merchants,
228 MAIN STREET, - WINNIPEG.

LIVE OR DRESSED
HOGS
WANTED

For which the highest price will be paid.
Correspondence Invited.
Manitoba Packing & Provision Co. (Ld.)
WINNIPEG.

A. H. PLEWES,
Grain and Flour Exporter,
OFFICE: CLEMENTS' BLOCK, 496 MAIN ST.
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

J. F. McLAUGHLIN & BRO.,
WHOLESALE
Grain, Flour and Feed
MERCHANTS.

SEND SAMPLES AND PRICES TO
TORONTO, - ONT.

For Sale at a Sacrifice

Several Pool and Billiard Tables. Nearly new, and with attachments complete. May be seen at SCOTT & LESLIE'S Furniture Ware-rooms, Winnipeg.

THE LANGHAM HOTEL,
BRANDON, - MANITOBA.

Situated on 12th Street. Free Bus meets all trains. Commercial Sample Rooms. Newly furnished throughout. Every room heated by steam.
JAS. W. NEALON, Prop. A. W. LEFLAR, Mgr'r.

ANGLO - AMERICAN HOTEL ! !
GRETNA, - - MAN.

J. D. PIERSON well known to the commercial trade throughout the west, has lately taken charge of this house and fitted it up with Sample Rooms and every convenience for Commercial Travellers

WOLSELY HOUSE,
WOLSELEY, - ASSINIBOIA,
E. A. BANBURY, PROPRIETOR.

Headquarters for Commercial Men. This house has been recently refitted, with special reference to the convenience and comfort of the commercial trade. Good Sample Rooms. Livery in Connection.

PALMER HOUSE,
REGINA, - - ASSINIBOIA,
THE LEADING COMMERCIAL HOUSE.
Free Sample Rooms for Travellers. Opposite C.P.R. Station.
CHAS HARLEY, Prop.

QUEEN'S HOTEL,
QU'APPELLE, - - ASSINIBOIA
G. S. DAVIDSON, PROP.

Largely patronized by commercial men and possesses special features for the accommodation of this trade. Large sample Rooms Free.

Cosmopolitan Hotel,
MEDICINE HAT, - - - ASSA,

Headquarters for commercial travellers and tourists. Good sample Rooms and clean and comfortable sleeping apartments.
THOMAS BASSETT, Proprietor.

HOTEL BRUNSWICK,
MINNEDOSA, MAN.

The leading and best appointed hotel on the Manitoba Northwestern Railway. Commercial Travellers seek it for Sundays. Sample room and other conveniences.
J. D. McKENZIE, Proprietor.

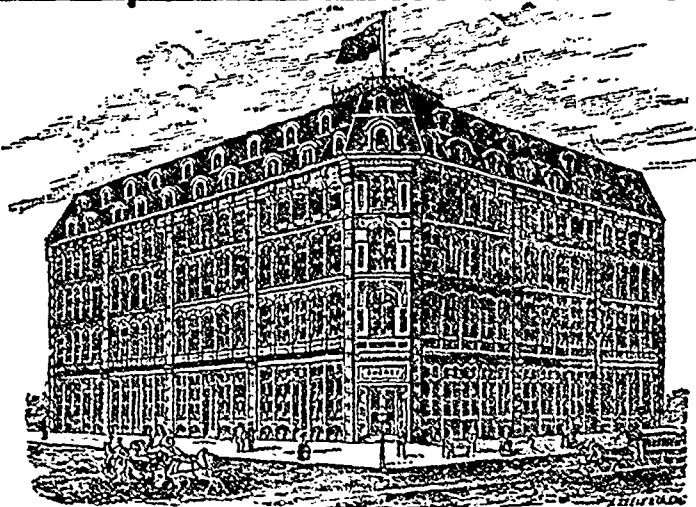
STEWART HOUSE

COR. MAIN & ELLIS STS., MANITOU, MAN.
First-Class in every respect! Re-fitted! Re-furnished. Good Table! Good Rooms! Three best Sample Rooms in the Province.
ROUNTREE & CONNOR, Proprietors.

HILLIARD HOUSE
RAT PORTAGE.

The Palace Hotel of the Northwest, Ontario. Newly and elegantly furnished throughout. The only Commercial House in the district. First class Sample Room. Terms Reasonable.
LOUIS HILLIARD, PROPRIETOR.

MEN'S, BOY'S and YOUTH'S CLOTHING
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING a speciality.



Our Samples for the Spring Season 1889,
are now on view at 35 Lombard St., Winnipeg

H. SHOREY and CO., WHOLESALE CLOTHIERS,
1866, 1868 and 1870 Notre Dame and 36, 38 40 and 42 St. Henry St., MONTREAL.

J. & A. Clearihue,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS
AND MANUFACTURERS AGENTS,
Dealers in—

Fruits and Produce
YATES ST., VICTORIA, B.C.

Representing D. Richards, Manufacturer of Laundry and Toilet Soaps, Woodstock, Ontario; Jas. Hall & Co. manufacturers and dealers in Gloves, Mitts and Shoe cases Brockville.
Consignments Received in all Lines. Correspondence Solicited.

Schmidt & Buss,
—WHOLESALE DEALERS IN—
BULK AND CAN OYSTERS

FRESH AND SALT FISH, POULTRY, &c.
Cor. Main and Logan Streets,
HIGGINS' BLOCK, WINNIPEG
Send for Price List

Williamson, White & Co.,
28 WELLINGTON STREET WEST,
TORONTO.

IMPORTERS OF FINE WOOLLENS
AND TAILORS' TRIMMINGS.
Samples on application.

ECCENE. WATER WHITE. SUNLIGHT
STANDARD OIL COMPANY,
(CLEVELAND, OHIO)

Manitoba & Northwest Department, Winnipeg.

ILLUMINATING **OLDS** LUBRICATING

GASOLINE, AXLE GREASE, CANDLES and all PRODUCTS OF AMERICAN PETROLEUM.
Our stock here embraces all the Manufactures of the Standard Oil Company. Correspondence solicited.
W. P. JOHNSON Mgr., Office 348 Main St
CAPITOL CYLINDER ELDRADO ENGINE. CHALLENGE MACHINERY

THE DRIARD,
VICTORIA, B.C.

The only strictly first-class hotel in the province.

LELAND HOUSE, VANCOUVER,

British Columbia.
The leading commercial hotel of the city. Directly above the C.P.R. Station and Steamboat wharf. All modern improvements. Sample rooms for travellers.
J. E. INSLEY, Mgr. WM. PROUT, Prop

Fish! Fish! Fish!

HEADQUARTERS FOR FISH—IN STOCK AND TO ARRIVE.
Boneless Cod in 5, 25 and 40 lb. boxes.
Boneless Fish in 5, 25 and 40 lb. boxes.
Finnan Haddies in 30 and 50 lb. boxes.
Labrador Herring in hbls. and half hbls.
Bloaters, Smoked Herring, Fresh Codfish, Haddock, Smelts, Tommy Codds, &c.
EGGS, BUTTER, CHEESE, FRUIT, ETC.

Orders, Consignments and Correspondence Solicited
JOSEPH CARMAN,
WINNIPEG.

H. S. Howland, Sons & Co.
WHOLESALE HARDWARE.

Full lines of Rodgers', Butlers', Wostenholm's, Ashham's, Fenton's, Cook's and other makers TABLE AND POCKET CUTLERY.

Warnock's and Rixford's AXES. Distor's and Shurley & Petrich's SAWS. Yale and Peterboro LOCKS. Black Diamond FILES Heller Bros.' HORSE RASPS and BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS, etc., etc.

RAILROAD SUPPLIES A SPECIALTY.
Orders by mail and telegram promptly filled at lowest current prices.

WAREHOUSES:
37 Front Street West, TORONTO.

REPRESENTED BY:
T. G. DEXTER, P.O. Box 1272, WINNIPEG

The Canadian Rubber Co
OF MONTREAL.

Manufacturers of
RUBBER SHOES, FELT BOOTS,
RUBBER PACKING, HOSE, &c.

WORKS: Papineau Square, Montreal
WAREHOUSE: 335 St. Paul St.
Branch: Cor. Front & Yonge Sts., Toronto.



DOLL
W. F.
WHOLESALE JEWELER.

Watches, Diamonds, Clocks, Spectacles, Gold-headed Canes, Silver-plate, Watch Material, Tools, etc., etc.

525 Main St., WINNIPEG.

KEEWATIN wants a doctor, and it wants one badly, says the local paper.

DONALD FRASER, Winnipeg, has been appointed assignee for the estate of D. McFarlane & Co., general store, Minnedosa.

JAS. ALFORD, of Alford & Carey, Leland house, Oak Lake, Man., has sold out his share of the business. As far as is known Carey takes hold of the concern alone.

THE Manitoba Legislature met on Thursday last, after an adjournment of about three months. Jos. Martin gave notice of a bill providing for the crossing of one railway by another. Some important developments concerning the arrangements between the Government and the Northern Pacific and Manitoba Railway Company, are expected shortly.

STATEMENTS showing value of goods exported, imported and entered for consumption with duty collected thereon during the month of January 1889, at Winnipeg, compared with the same month of 1888:

	Jan. 1888.	Jan. 1889.
Exported	\$75,914.00	\$60,894.00
Imported dutiable....	82,057.00	108,100.00
Imported free.....	18,717.00	18,287.00
Total imported.....	\$100,774.00	\$126,387.00
Entered for consumption dutiable	\$81,430.00	\$107,955.00
Entered for consumption free	18,717.00	18,287.00
Total for consumptn.	\$100,147.00	\$126,245.00
Duty collected.....	\$26,188.24	\$33,542.85

Flour at Minneapolis.

The Minneapolis *Northwestern Miller* of Friday last says of the flour market of that place: The first of the week the flour market was very quiet, with very little doing. The orders were mostly from interior points, New York, Boston, Baltimore, Philadelphia and a few other distributing centers wanting nothing. There is some uneasiness with millers regarding the stability of prices and cuts would perhaps be made if they could afford it. But, as the flour has cost more than the highest quotations, there is not much prospect of serious trouble. The rise and fall in the amounts of flour sold depend upon wheat prices. When the latter rise the sales are larger. The water is very low, and the mills depending upon it are not able to do heavy work. There is a small accumulation going on here at present. The flour market yesterday was without any real change. A few straggling orders were filled and these took about as much as was produced in the last twenty-four hours. The conditions indicate no further restrictions of trade but rather an expansion of business. The week's production was 84,100 barrels—averaging 14,017 barrels daily—against 82,000 barrels the previous week, and 101,500 barrels for the corresponding time in 1888. A single firm ground over one-half of the amount. The water power has apparently grown worse, if that were possible, within the past few days, and several mills that were able to run fairly well at times with water, find it hardly possible to do better than drive their empty machinery. There is no perceptible improvement in the flour market, the majority of our millers reporting very little call for flour from any source. One or two firms, though, claim to have received quite a fair number of orders during a few days past, and to be selling considerable flour right along. The unsettled condition of the wheat market, of course, has a bad influence on the trade, and offers made at current prices are usually rejected, the jobber asserting his belief in lower values. Millers contend that they cannot sell cheaper than at present prices, owing to the cost of wheat. The direct exports for the week were 12,000 barrels, against 14,600 barrels the preceding week. Quotations, London, c. i. f. 280 lbs. are: Patents 38s to 39s; bakers', 27s to 28s; low grades, 14s to 17s 6d.

Dominion Parliament.

Parliament was opened at Ottawa on Thursday last. The speech at the opening was short. The following are the principal clauses in the address:

It is to be regretted that the treaty concluded between Her Majesty and the President of the United States for the adjustment of the question that has arisen with reference to The Fisheries has not been sanctioned by the United States Senate, in whom the power of ratification is vested; and that our legislation of last year on the subject is therefore in a great measure inoperative. It now only remains for Canada to continue to maintain her rights as prescribed by the convention of 1818, until some satisfactory re-adjustment is arranged by treaty between the two nations.

It is expedient in the increase of commerce

to assimilate, and, in some particulars, to amend the laws which now obtain in the several provinces of the Dominion relating to bills of exchange, cheques and promissory notes, and a bill with this object will be laid before you.

A bill will also be provided for making uniform throughout the Dominion the law relating to bills of lading.

During the recess my government has carefully considered the subject of ocean steam service, and you will be asked to provide subsidy for the improvement of the Atlantic mail service, and for the establishment, in consort with Her Majesty's government, of a line of fast steamers between British Columbia and China and Japan.

Your attention will also be invited to the best mode of developing our trade, and securing direct communication by steam with Australasia, the West Indies and South America.

The royal commissioners on labor having concluded their enquiries, I hope to be able to lay before you at an early day their report, with the important evidence collected by them in various parts of Canada.

Trade and Navigation Returns.

The Dominion trade and navigation returns for the fiscal year ending the 30th of June, 1888, are published. The total exports were \$90,203,000, as against \$89,515,811 in 1887. The imports were \$110,894,000, a decrease of two millions. A marked feature of the foreign trade is the great increase in trade with the United States contrasted with the tremendous falling off with Great Britain. We imported \$48,481,848 from the United States and only \$39,298,021 from Great Britain. Canada's exports to Great Britain are usually several millions in excess of the United States, but last year the figures were: Great Britain, \$42,094,984; United States, \$32,592,000. Our aggregate trade, therefore, with Great Britain last year was \$81,383,000, against \$89,544,000 the year before, while the aggregate last year with the United States was \$91,050,000, against \$82,575,000 the year before, or Canada's trade with Britain declined eight millions, and her trade with the United States increased nine millions. Our total trade with the world last year was \$201,097,900. The exports of the products of Canada: Produce of the mine, \$4,110,937; fisheries, \$7,703,183; forest, \$21,402,814; animals and their produce, \$24,719,298; agricultural products, \$15,436,360; manufactures, \$4,181,282; miscellaneous, \$773,877; making a total value of exports of the products of Canada of \$78,298,750. Agricultural exports declined over three millions from 1887.

It is the intention of the Sanford Co. to erect a new warehouse in Winnipeg. The foundation for the Sanford building on Portage Avenue will probably be laid next fall, and the building commenced the following spring.

D. F. REID, in the fishery business on Lake of the Woods, has been summoned for fishing without a license, and has been compelled to close his operations for the present. It is said the reason for this is that the fish in the lake are required for the Indians, but this is rather a flimsy excuse for closing the fishery.

WM. COCHRANE has formed a partnership with Sinclair, sr., in the boot and shoe business at Morden, Man.

THE British Columbia Legislature opened on Thursday last with the usual formalities. A Victoria telegram says: There is nothing remarkable in the speech from the throne further than congratulations on a prosperous year and the fact that the receipts exceeded the estimates.

THE C. P. R. Co. has determined to fight for monopoly in Manitoba to the bitter end, regardless of the enmity which the company is incurring here in so doing. Notwithstanding that the railway committee and Supreme Court have decided against the C. P. R. in the railway crossings difficulty, the company has hobbled up again in a new action. A bill has now been filed in chancery by the C. P. R. Co., asking the court to restrain the Northern Pacific and Manitoba road from further operating and constructing its roads in Manitoba, on the ground that the local legislature cannot enact legislation regarding a railway connecting at the boundary line with a foreign railway.

J. J. WALTERHOUSE, who came to Manitoba some time ago as representative of the George T. Smith Co., has recently decided to locate permanently in Winnipeg, and follow his business. Mr. Walterhouse is a practical millwright, draughtsman, etc., and he is now prepared to undertake contracts for building roller flour mills, elevators, etc. He will also handle all kinds of milling and elevator machinery and supplies, making a specialty of Smith's celebrated purifiers. Mr. Walterhouse is the inventor of a new centrifugal reel and several other milling improvements. Mr. Walterhouse is the first practical man to locate here in this line and he should be encouraged. Parties contemplating the erection of new mills or elevators, or requiring new machinery or improvements for such properties, should correspond with Mr. Walterhouse.

L. A. HAMILTON, C. P. R., land commissioner, returned to Winnipeg from Ottawa and Montreal last week. Mr. Hamilton's principal business in Ottawa was with the Department of the Interior relative to the final selection of C. P. R. lands in the West. He did not complete his arrangements in this matter, and will have to return to Ottawa again shortly, in order to have the selection made before immigration commences. While at Montreal Mr. Hamilton was engaged with Mr. Drinkwater preparing emigration literature, for distribution at home and abroad. All the emigration agents whom Mr. Hamilton met confirmed the reports of a large emigration from Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime provinces to Manitoba this year. Mr. Northwood, colonization agent of the C. P. R. for Western Ontario, reports that Huron and Bruce counties will contribute an unusually large number of farmers in the spring. Mr. Hamilton also has advices which indicate that the influx from Europe will be large. The C. P. R. exhibition car which has been running through the lower provinces since last fall, will arrive at Toronto on February 2nd, and will proceed thence to Western Ontario.

"Foster"-ing Canadian Trade.

The following from the report of the Toronto board of trade banquet, by *Grip*, is too good to keep:—

Hon. G. E. Foster, Minister of Finance, on rising to respond to the toast, was received with great cheering. He said:—"Your Lordship, Mr. Chairman, and gentlemen: The Government, of which I am a humble member, has made a great country of Canada—great morally, great intellectually, great commercially, and great politically (applause). We have done this by sheer force of genius (cheers) and especially of financial genius (renewed cheers). The National Policy was an inspiration (hear, hear) and has made the people wealthy, particularly some of them (tremendous applause). We do not intend to desert the ship now. Knowing that we are on the right path, we propose to keep straight on to the finish (cheers and applause). We hear bated whisperings of Annexation, but I say we want nothing of the sort (frantic cheers). We have now the freest country on earth (hear, hear). Freedom is our watchword! Free speech (cheers), free institutions (renewed cheers), free press (increased cheers), free worship (cyclonic applause) and free trade—(terrific cheers) excuse me, gentlemen, I take that last word back. We draw the line at trade and commerce (hear, hear). We have discovered that freedom, so admirable in connection with all other right things, is wrong, dangerous, impolitic, absurd, demoralizing and fatal in connection with trade (hear, hear, and cheers). Restriction and fetters for trade! That is our platform; that is what has made this Dominion great! (Applause.) Free trade would kill the country. Look what we have done and are doing! We have spent millions on our railways and canals, and the free-traders would have us destroy those railways and canals by using them for common traffic, simply for sordid considerations of financial gain! They would have us open up free intercourse with our Republican neighbors, and before the people they dangle the debasing bait of monetary gain! (hear, hear.) Gentlemen, are we going to lower ourselves to the position of mere money makers? (cheers.) Are we going to make that money out of Yankees, who in the meantime would inoculate us with disloyal ideas? Perish the thought! (great cheers.) No, gentlemen, we are going to deal with distant nations only—so as to keep our loyalty safe and uncorrupted. We are opening up communication with Chili, and we propose to trade freely with them (cheers.) Pray don't misunderstand me. The free trade is to be on our side only. Goods from Chili will receive a chilly reception from our customs officers (great laughter and applause.) We are going to trade with Bolivia and Peru, and Cuba and Equador, and Patagonia, on similar terms, namely, we will sell them Canadian goods for ready money. No truck taken in exchange! (renewed laughter.) This is something that no ministry on earth has ever done; but in our hands it will be simple as rolling off a log—or as log-rolling (cheers and great laughter.) If those distant nations refuse to trade with us on these terms, so much the worse for them! (cheers.) We

will hand them over to the tender mercies of Sir Adolph Caron and Sir Fred. Middleton (sensation.) That will fetch them! (Hear, hear, and cheering, loud and long continued.) Meanwhile the subsidies and patronage in connection with these trade schemes will make things boom for our own people—those of them at least who own the subsidized steamers (Gentlemen, these are our—[The report here comes to an abrupt conclusion.]

Regina Board of Trade.

At the annual meeting of the board, held recently, President D. W. Bole made a verbal report on the past year's work, which included the entertainment of the excursionists and visitors, the preparation of an emigration pamphlet, 5,000 copies of which would be issued in a few days, the exhibits of agricultural products of the district sent to Kingston, Ottawa, and other exhibitions, the appointment of Mr. Carss as emigration agent in Ontario, etc.

The treasurer, R. B. Fergusson, made a brief report, after which the election of officers was proceeded with, resulting as follows: President, D. Mowat; vice-president, P. Lamont; secretary, R. J. Steel; treasurer, R. B. Fergusson; council—J. A. MacCaul, J. W. Smith, M. MacNichol, J. Dawson, A. Martin, D. W. Bole, J. F. Mowat, C. H. Black, R. Paul, R. J. Tinning; board of arbitrators—R. Sweet, J. Dawson, J. H. Smith, J. W. Smith, R. Paul, R. B. Fergusson, A. Martin, D. Mowat, J. A. MacCaul, A. Sheppard, E. McCarthy, C. H. Bayne.

The following were elected members: P. McCra, W. M. Williamson, W. R. Robertson, J. J. Young.

Two resolutions were passed on the liquor question, after much discussion. One advocating that confiscated liquor be not spilt, but be shipped east and sold; another favoring the manufacture in the Territories of whatever grades of beer are allowed to be sold here.

Grain and Milling.

Farmers have been hauling grain to the mill at Fort Qu'Appelle, Assa., at the rate of a thousand bushels a day.

Robert Ward & Co., of Victoria, B. C., say in their last monthly shipping circular:—"The business done in grain charters during the month has been considerable, and rates have been gradually hardening, until at the close 4s 6d. is the rate from San Francisco and 50s. to 52s. 6d. from Portland to Great Britain. These rates have induced all the available tonnage on the coast to accept grain business in preference to all other, and at the close it is next to impossible to secure the offer of tonnage on the spot for lumber.

The Port Arthur *Herald* gives an account of the public meeting, called by the mayor, to consider the flour mill bonus scheme. The mayor started out by explaining the object of the meeting, which was to secure now the building of a mammoth flouring mill. "We want to bind them to build the mill," he said, "and they want us to bind ourselves to give them the \$15,000 bonus, so that they can start ordering their machinery at once. A bond has been pre-

pared and you will be asked to sign it, this bond will be cancelled and be of no account, so soon as the bonus by-law is passed and the debentures sold." It was moved by George T. Marks, seconded by J. L. Meikle that in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable that Hastings Bros. & Co., in consideration of building a mill of 500 barrels capacity, as specified, be granted by the town a bonus of \$15,000 and exemption from taxation for ten years, and that pending the passage of the by-law, the citizens sign a bond to the extent of the bonus. This was carried unanimously, every man in the room standing up. The bond was then signed by all the rate payers present.

JAS. REDMOND has been elected president of the Winnipeg board of trade by acclamation, Col. McMillan and F. W. Stobart, who were also nominated, having withdrawn. Col. McMillan and Messrs. Stobart and Hespeler are nominated for the vice-presidency. C. N. Bell and W. J. Aikin have been elected secretary and treasurer respectively. Some fifty nominations have been made for both the council and the board of arbitration.

NOTICE is given that letters patent of incorporation, bearing date the fourteenth of January, have been issued to the Brandon Electric Light Company, Limited. The purpose and objects of the company are to establish and carry on in Brandon a system of lighting streets, houses, buildings, etc., by electricity. The capital stock of the company is fifteen thousand dollars divided into three hundred shares of fifty dollars each. The applicants for incorporation were: I. R. Strome, W. R. Carscaden, David Walker, A. F. Boisseau, Fitz Bucke, and Philip E. Durst, all of Brandon.

THE ordinances in force in the Territories allow municipalities to borrow money for public improvements to the extent of only five per cent. of the assessed value of property. Calgary, for instance, whose assessment amounts to about \$1,400,000, therefore has borrowing power of about \$57,000, of which \$42,000 is already absorbed in debentures, so that the sum of \$15,000 exhausts its borrowing power. On the whole, the provision restricting the borrowing power of municipalities, is a wise one, as in new countries there is often a disposition on the part of growing towns to discount the future too largely. The citizens of many Manitoba municipalities would be very thankful to day, if their borrowing power had been restricted by legislation years ago. It must also be remembered that in new and rapidly growing towns, the assessment roll is often greatly inflated, by the high valuation of outside and unoccupied property which, in case of a check to the growth of the place, becomes greatly deteriorated in value. This has been observed in some Manitoba towns, where the assessment has fallen to a fraction of "boom" figures. Laws regulating the borrowing powers of corporations are therefore sometimes very valuable, and though in occasional instances there may appear to be a hardship involved in the principle of preventing a town from borrowing money above a certain amount, yet in the long run, as a general rule such laws are beneficial to the country as a whole.

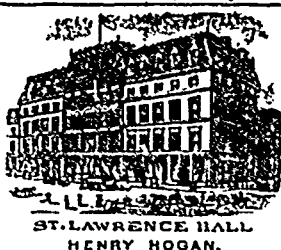
FISH, HYMAN & CO.,

Importers of

FINE HAVANNA CIGARS

212 St. James St., MONTREAL.

First-class in every Respect
Appointments Perfect.
Graduated Prices.



Every Attention paid to
Orders.
MONTREAL.

ST. LAWRENCE HALL
HENRY HOGAN.

CAUTION!

EACH PLUG OF THE

Myrtle Navy

IS MARKED

T. & B.

IN BRONZE LETTER.

NONE OTHER IS GENUINE.

Jos. Schilitz Brewing Co's

MILWAUKEE EXPORT BOTTLED
AND DRAUGHT

LAGER!

PERMITS FILLED

GEO. VELIE, Agent for Manitoba and the Northwest,
WINNIPEG.

DICK, BAYNING & CO

MANUFACTURERS OF

Lumber, Shingles and Lath,

DOORS AND SASH.

MILLS AT KEKWATIN. OFFICE: OPPOSITE C.P.R.
PASSENGER DEPOT, WINNIPEG.

Toronto Hide & Wool Co

Wholesale Dealers in

HIDES!

SHEEPSKINS AND WOOL

JOHN HALLAM

88 Princess St., WINNIPEG
53 and 65 Front Street East, TORONTO.
PROPRIETOR.

Frank Lightcap, - Traveler.

We will be in the market this season
as usual for all classes of Wool, and
are prepared to pay the highest mar-
ket prices.

E. A. SMALL & CO.,

MANUFACTURERS OF

CLOTHING

WHOLESALE

203 and 210
McGILL STREET, MONTREAL

SAMPLE ROOMS:

30 AND 32 McINTYRE BLOCK,
WINNIPEG.

COCHRANE, CASSILS & CO.

Wholesale Boots and Shoes

Cor. Craig & St. Francis Xavier Sts.,
MONTREAL.

Samples with McLean Bros.,
Donaldson's Block, WINNIPEG.

ROYAL SOAP MFG. CO.

WINNIPEG.

BRANDS: Hardwater, Dominion, Linen, Ivoire
and Electric, also a full line of Toilet Soaps.

Protect HOME Industry!

STATIONERY

WARWICK & SONS,

Publishers, Wholesale Booksellers
Stationers, Printers, Bookbinders, etc.

TORONTO, ONT.

Large and Complete Stock of Stationery.

WRITE FOR SAMPLES AND QUOTATIONS.

NEUMEYER AND PARES,

Brandon Brewery

BRANDON, MANITOBA

Brewers of the Celebrated Export
India Pale Ale, Imperial Stout, Noted
XX Porter in Casks or Bottles.

EVERY VARIETY OF

Painters Brushes,
Artist Brushes,
Household Brushes,
Stable Brushes,
Toilet Brushes,

—MANUFACTURED BY—

Chas. Boeckh & Sons,
TORONTO.

All our Brushes are branded **BOECKH**
to distinguish them from inferior imitations
and as a guarantee of their quality.

JAMES WHITHAM. A. A. AEYR, Special Partner

James Whitham & Co.

Manufacturers of & Wholesale Dealers in

BOOTS & SHOES,

43, 45 and 47 St. MAURICE STREET
Near McGill Street,

MONTREAL.

Represented by J. M. MACDONALD,
524 MAIN ST., WINNIPEG



Home Production

WE MANUFACTURE

BARB WIRE,

PLAIN TWISTED WIRE, WITHOUT
BARS

And are Agents for the

Woven Wire Fencing.

We are in a position to fill all orders promptly.
Ours is the only wire manufactured in the Dominion of
Canada on which is found the GENUINE LOCK BARB
A personal inspection will convince you of this fact. Qua-
lity of wire the best ENGLISH BESSEMER STEEL
Every pound guaranteed.

Manitoba Wire Company

OGILVIE MILLING CO.

Mill at Point Douglas.

Capacity - - 750 Barrels per day.

OFFICE:—Corner King and
Alexander Streets, Winnipeg.

A Full Stock of Patent Hungarian, Strong
Bakers' and Spring Extra Flour; Oatmeal, Pot
and Pearl Barley, Graham Flour, Cracked
Wheat, Bran, Shorts, Ground Feed, Oats,
Barley.

Wheat buyers at all C.P.R. Shipping Stations

W. R. Johnston & Co.

(Late Livingston, Johnston & Co.)

WHOLESALE MANUFACTURERS

READY-MADE CLOTHING

44 BAY STREET,

TORONTO.

Smith & Keighley,

TEAS,

EAST and WEST INDIA PRODUCE

—AND—

GENERAL GROCERIES.

9 Front St. East,

TORONTO

Have you received a Copy
of our POCKET MEMO
Book? If not apply
to us for one,

STOBART, SONS & CO.

WHOLESALE

Dry Goods

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, and LONDON, England.

Business East.

ONTARIO.

Thos. Clegg, shoes, Orangeville, has assigned.
Victor Laporte, grocer, Ottawa, has assigned.
T. H. Ley, shoes, S. Thomas, is burned out.
B. B. Miller, general store, Clavering, is closed.
G. F. Arnott, general store, Ailsa Craig, has sold out.
Elzear Contant, carriages, Alexandria, has assigned.
Isaac Simon, clothing, etc., Brantford, has assigned.
Thomas Truesdale, grocer, Brantford, has assigned.
John Skitch, tailor, Gravenhurst, has made an assignment.
Damer & Son, shoe manufacturers, Toronto, have assigned.
Robert Evans, builder, West Toronto Junction, has assigned.
W. W. Holditch, general storekeeper, South River, has sold out.
L. A. & Frank Wiltse, expressmen, Farmerville, have assigned.
H. H. Job & Co., dealers in leather, etc., London, have sold out.
dissolved partnership—the business will be continued by A. B. Keith.
Thomas Harper, stove manufacturer, Tp. Enniskillen, has assigned.
James Watson, manufacturer of spices, Toronto has suspended payment.
C. B. Bampbell, general storekeeper, Alvington, stock is advertised for sale by the trustee.
Keith & Sheldon, general store, Comber, have
Bricker & Diebel, general store, Millbank, are removing to Essex Centre.

QUEBEC.

Blouin & Lachance, shoes, Quebec, have assigned.
H. Larocque, hotelkeeper, Valleyfield, has assigned.
M. O. David, Sr., tailor, St. Hyacinthe, has compromised.
J. B. Caron, furniture, Valleyfield, has made an assignment.
Felix Bordeleau, general store keeper, Batis-can, has assigned.

M. O. David, Jr., tailor, St. Hyacinthe, has obtained an extension.

Joseph Leclere, picture frames, Montreal, is obtaining an extension.

M. Vineberg, wholesale dealer in hats, etc., Montreal, has changed style to M. Vineberg & Co.

Wm. King & Co., furniture, Montreal, have changed the style of their firm to Renaud, King & Patterson.

T. F. Hanrahan & Co., brokers, Montreal, Mrs T. F. Hanrahan has ceased doing business under this style.

John A. Paterson & Co, wholesale millinery, Montreal, have admitted John C. Redmond as a partner, and will do business under the same style.

British Columbia.

Sp ing salmon have already arrived in the Fraser River.

A movement is on foot to build an opera house at Vancouver.

A soda water business will be started in Victoria by Thorpe & Co.

R. McNeil has disposed of his interest in the Golden hotel, Victoria

Hart & Isaacs, Victoria, have dissolved partnership. Hart continues

The Triumph, a small schooner owned by Geo. Byrnes, Victoria, is wrecked.

The sealing schooners at Victoria are preparing to commence operations for the season.

The stock of the departed Herman Peters, music dealer, Victoria, has been sold by the sheriff.

A millinery department has been added to the general business of W. R. Megaw, of Kamloops.

The partnership existing between Manahan Brothers, brickmakers, Westminster, has been dissolved.

Sciutto & Co., general merchants and ranchers, Kamloops, have dissolved partnership. G. B. Sciutto retires from the mercantile business and retains possession of the ranche. G. Martino will continue the store business at Kamloops.

Grant & Horn,

PRODUCE
—AND—

Commission Merchants,
56 Princess Street, WINNIPEG.

EXPORTERS

Of Flour, Butter, Eggs and Cheese.
Always carry in Stock

BAGS

For Flour, Bran, Oats, etc.—Jute and Cotton.

SALT

(Canadian and Liverpool)

Frost Proof and Gold Storage.

CONSIGNMENTS SOLICITED.

SMITH & FERGUSON, a couple of young men from the east, have opened a grocery store at Vancouver.

Chas. Aston, the Arlington Hotel, Kamloops, has "skipped out." His creditors mourn his departure.

The ferry to carry trains across the Fraser river at Westminster for the proposed Southern railway will be built at once.

W. Cheney, of Russell, McDonald & Co, has arrived at Comox with a large stock of general merchandise, where he will open a general store.

The partnership subsisting between Arthur Morton and Frank Crotty, livery, Kamloops, is dissolved. Frank Crotty will carry on the business alone.

The Victoria Electric Soap Works, carried on by McDonald & Co., have passed into the hands of Richard Cruikshank, who will carry on the business in future.

George Henderson, miner, Nicola, has failed. Workmen are unpaid to the amount of \$5,000, and other liabilities for merchandise, etc., will amount to as much more.

Spencer and Earle, Victoria, have made arrangements to have a new steamer for use at their cannery built at once by Clark & Turpel. The new boat will be 70 feet in length.

A two story addition will probably be made to the Southgate block, Victoria, in order to increase the facilities of Angus & Gordon and Lens & Leiser, who occupy the building.

Bridges will be built over the North Arms of the Fraser to connect Lulu and Sea Islands with each other and with the Mainland. These will give the farmers a short road to Vancouver.

Advance sheets of the new British Columbia directory, published by R. T. Williams, Victoria, have been received, which, when completed, will be a volume of between 600 and 700 pages.

A. Morton, recently in business at Kamloops, with his wife, also in the millinery line there, have left the place without giving due notice. Their effects have been seized under a chattel mortgage.

Popplewell, Henbrough & Borrie, of Westminster, have formed a co-partnership for the manufacture of flower-pots and pottery ware and have leased from Manahan Bros the pottery works lately erected under the superintendence of Popplewell.

Lenz & Leiser, the enterprising wholesale dry goods house of Victoria, have entered into a contract with the Westminster woollen mill to take the entire product of the mills for three years. The value of the produce will be from \$35,000 to \$40,000 yearly.

Kamloops Sentinel:—Owing to the extremely mild weather ice has not been formed of sufficient thickness on the river here to enable Bennett to fill his contract with the C.P.R. He left for Griffin Lake recently to see what prospects there are for getting ice at that point.

Among the new works which are being turned out at the Vancouver Foundry and Machine Works, says the *W. A.*, is a triple expansion engine, intended for the new steamboat which the Royal City Planing Mills Co. is building. The engine will be 175 horse power. The bed plate, which has been begun, weighs 2½ tons. The cylinders are 15 inch, 22 inch, and 31 inch bore respectively, and will have a two foot stroke. The propeller will be 9 feet in diameter, and the cranks will be of wrought iron.

Westminster Columbian: The weather is so extremely mild that it is feared there will be no ice on the lower Fraser this winter, and consequently, fish exporters, hotels, etc., are becoming anxious for their supply. A prominent fresh fish exporter had completed arrangements to get his supply of ice from Kamloops, but the intention was abandoned when it was learned no Canadian Pacific Railway demanded \$58.80 per car of 12 tons to transport the ice to this city. The shipment of fresh salmon and other fish to the east will be very light during the coming summer unless we are soon favored with a cold spell. If the railroad company would convey the ice from the interior at \$25 per car several hundred carloads would be contracted for by consumers in Westminster and Vancouver.

The last *B. C. Gazette* has the following notices:—The Hastings Saw Mill Co. give notice of an application for a timber lease in the Sayward district; Ross & McLaren, by their agent, C. D. Raud, make application for a license for timber in the New Westminster districts, four sections as follows:—6,610 acres, 2,400 acres, and another large district and 2,260 acres in the Yale district. Drake, Jackson & Helmcken are applying for incorporation of a company to construct, equip and maintain a canal from a point in Spellumcheen river to Okanagan lake; F. Joseph Spencer is applying for an act to incorporate the Christian Temperance Co-operative Commonwealth, for the purpose of establishing settlements in Malcolm Island. E. H. Port, R. V. Winch and C. D. Rand are applying for incorporation of the Vancouver Ice Company with a capital of \$10,000 for the purpose of cutting, storing and selling ice. Notice appears of Capt. Mellon's appointment as Justice of the Peace.

The *Vancouver News* says. J. L. Mudge, assistant general manager of the Anthracite

Coal company, arrived in the city yesterday. In an interview with a *News-Advertiser* representative Mr. Mudge said that the work of development was pushed forward at the mines with gratifying results. A new lead has been opened up about ten miles east of the present one, and a colliery will be established there. The further operations are extended the more certain it becomes that the deposits are practically unlimited. It is expected that by May the output will be 350 tons daily, which will give employment to about 270 miners. The objective output is about 1,000 tons per day, and this will be reached several months before the end of the year. Machinery with this capacity is now being placed in position at the mines. Large orders have been received from San Francisco and Pacific coast towns, which are being filled as rapidly as the present facilities will permit. Among the facts in connection with the working of these mines, that which will be of paramount interest to the people of Vancouver is that the Anthracite coal will be placed on the market here at a reasonable figure. The company will take measures to see that this is done. Mr. Mudge leaves to-day again.

Business in British Columbia.

The following were wholesale prices at Victoria last week: Flour—Hungaria, \$6.85; strong bakers, \$6.55; Oregon flour, \$5.00 to \$6.00; wheat, per ton, \$37.00; oats, per ton, \$25.05; barley, per ton, \$35.05; middlings, per ton, \$28.00; bran, per ton, \$25.00; ground feed, per ton, \$32.50; oil cake, per ton, \$37.50; cornmeal, Canadian, per 100 lbs., \$2.75; oatmeal, Canadian, per 100 lbs., \$3.20; oatmeal, native, \$3.50; potatoes, per ton, \$15.00; hay, baled, per ton, \$20.50; straw, per bale, \$1.25 to \$1.50; eggs, per dozen, 40c; eggs, imported, per dozen, 30c; butter in roll, native, per lb., 40c; imported, per lb., 27c; tallow, or firkin, creamery, 29c; dairy, 24c; cheese, local, per lb., 15c; Canadian, 12½c to 15c; California, 17c to 18c; hams, local, per lb., 15c; American, 17c to 18c; bacon, local, breakfast, per lb., 14 to 16c; American, 16½c; roller, 14c, shoulders, per lb., 12½c; lard, 12½c; meats, beef, 8c; mutton, 10c; pork, 12½c; dressed veal, 12½ to 15c; tallow, 2½c; hides, 4 to 7c; sheep skins, each, 25 to 35c; salmon, 7c; halibut, 8c; apples, Gravenstein, per 50lb. box, \$1.50; bananas, per bunch, \$4.00; pears, choice Bartlett, per box, \$2.00; peaches, 1.25; grapes, Muscatelle, 25 lbs., \$1.50; coconuts, per 100, \$11.00; tomatoes, California, 25lb. box, \$1.00.

The following were quotations at Vancouver: Flour—Manitoba patents, \$6.65 per bbl.; Manitoba bakers', \$6.25; Oregon family, \$5.75. Oatmeal—Standard, 100 lb. sacks, \$3.00; granulated, \$3.25; rolled, \$4.00. Potatoes—\$13 to \$18 per ton; cabbage, \$12; carrots, \$20; parsnips, \$20; onions, \$25; beets, \$15; turnips, \$15 to \$20; sweet potatoes, \$6 per cwt. Feed—bran, \$25 a ton; shorts, \$27; chopped stuff, \$33 to \$35; oil cake meal, \$40; oats, \$26 a ton; wheat, \$35. Dairy, etc.—Butter, creamery, 29c per lb.; dairy, 25c; cooking, 18c; eggs (pickled), 26c; fresh, 35c. Cheese, 13 to 15c per lb. Fruits—Oranges, \$3 to \$6 per case; lemons, \$7.50 per case; figs, 15c. to 20c. per lb.

The *Vancouver News* of Jan. 27 says: The volume of trade during the past week has been

decidedly satisfactory. The shipping business is picking up rapidly, and the amount of freight by water and rail has been largely in excess of what was generally anticipated. In the various lines of trade the merchants are reporting business lively, and money much easier. Real estate has benefitted thereby, and several large and quite a number of smaller transactions have been made. Native fruit and vegetables are increasing in price, and slightly decreasing in quality. The fish market has been unusually well supplied, and has been very active. About three thousand pounds have been used for local consumption, and a larger quantity shipped to the east. California fruits and Sicily lemons are coming in in large quantities, and are slightly easier. Fresh eggs and butter have also been received and the price lowered.

Wholesale prices at Westminster last week were: Beef, per 100 lbs., \$5.50 to \$6.50; pork, \$8 to \$9; mutton, \$8 to \$9; potatoes, 50 to 75c; cabbage, 50c to \$1; onions, \$1 to \$1.50; wheat, \$1.50; oats, \$1.25 to \$1.50; peas, \$1.50 to \$2; hay, per ton, \$12 to 15; butter, rolls, per lb., 28 to 35c; cheese, 14 to 15c; eggs, per doz., 35 to 40c; cordwood, retail, per cord, \$3 to \$4; apples, per box, 80c to \$1.25; hides, green, per 100 lbs., \$4 to \$6, dry, do, \$5 to \$9; wool, per lb., 6 to 10c.

Dairy Matters.

The Silver Creek settlers, Russell County, Man., have decided to start a creamery.

The first quarterly meeting of the board of directors of the Manitoba Dairying association will be held in Winnipeg on February 6th. It is the intention of the association to submit a bill to the Legislature, having for its object the advancement of the dairying interests of this country.

Qu'Appelle, Assa., Progress: We understand that S. H. Caswell has definitely decided to start a creamery here in the spring. It is intended to offer all farmers within a radius of seven or eight miles good facilities for disposing of their milk, and outside of that limit to, say, fourteen miles facilities will be offered for taking the cream.

The *Brandon Times* gives the following report of prices there for last week, to farmers:—The market has been very quiet this last week. Monday one or two of the buyers ran the price of No. 1 hard to 90c, and it has been stopping at that price since, but it is liable to drop to 85c if any quantity should come in. Oats—Feed oats from 22 to 23c; good white oats are bringing from 25 to 25½c. The market is weak at present, and if a quantity were brought in the price would be apt to drop to 20c for feed oats. Barley is only quoted now at 25c per bushel and purchasers are very indifferent about buying. The grain market on the whole is very quiet. Beef is quoted at present at 5 to 5½c per lb. The prices are firm with not much indication of a change. Mutton ranges from 9 to 10c per lb. with the demand equal to the supply. Pork—The butchers are busy packing for the summer market. The price ranges from 6½ to 7c per lb. Chickens range from 8 to 10c per lb.; turkeys 9 to 11c per lb. Potatoes range from 50 to 55c and retailed at 75c. Butter stands the same as last week, 16 to 17c per lb. Eggs 20c per doz.

Trains Lighted by Electricity

And heated by steam, are the latest improvements for the benefit of its patrons, adopted by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. The vestibuled trains of this company between Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Minneapolis are now equipped with the very finest sleeping cars ever turned out by the Pullman Company. These cars contain twelve sections and a drawing room and smoking room; have three lavatories for ladies and three for gentlemen, supplied with hot and cold water. The cars are equipped with modern closets, and two of the sections in each car are draped to secure privacy when desired. The entire train is lighted by incandescent electric lights, enabling passengers to read the finest print in any part of the car without difficulty.

It is the testimony of all men who have tried it that "Mrytle Navy" tobacco has the most delicious flavor of any tobacco on the market, and that it leaves none of the unpleasant effects in the mouth which most tobaccos do. The reason for this is the high and pure quality of the leaf, which is the finest known in Virginia, and the absence of all deleterious matter in the manufacture.

THESE VESTIBULED TRAINS go in service May 15th.

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Ry
THE NORTHWESTERN LINE,

The best equipped line to CHICAGO, OMAHA AND KANSAS CITY.

The ONLY line to Chicago running Pullman and Wagner Vestibuled Trains.

These Vestibuled Trains are limited as to time but not limited as to number of passengers. All classes of Passengers carried, with separate apartments for each class, and NO EXTRA FARE.

Trains Eastward will run as follows: Leave Minneapolis 6.50 p.m.; St. Paul 7.30 p.m. Arrive Milwaukee 7.40 a.m.; Chicago 9.30 a.m.

The Sleeping Cars on these trains have been prepared especially for this service, and together with the Vestibuled Dining Cars, Coaches and Baggage Cars are the finest equipped trains of their class in the world.

TICKETS AT LOWEST RATES, and good on these Vestibuled Trains, can be secured at the following offices: St. Paul, 169 East Third Street; Minneapolis, 13 Nicollet House Block, Duluth, 112 West Superior Street, also at St. Paul and Minneapolis Union Depots and at offices of connecting lines. Sleeping car accommodation secured in advance.

NOTE—The above advertised time is the actual running time, and the motto of the Northwestern Line is "ALWAYS ON TIME."

E. W. WINTER, General Manager. F. R. CLARKE, General Traffic Manager. T. W. TEDSDALE, General Passenger Agent.

MINNEAPOLIS & ST. LOUIS RAILWAY

—AND THE FAMOUS—

Albert Lea Route

Two through trains daily from St. Paul and Minneapolis to Chicago without change, connecting with the fast trains of all lines for the East and Southeast.

The direct and only line running through cars between Minneapolis and Des Moines, Iowa, via Albert Lea and Fort Dodge.

Short line to Watertown, Dak. Solid through trains between Minneapolis and St. Louis and the Principal cities of the Mississippi Valley, connecting in Union Depot for all points South and Southwest.

Many hours saved and the only line running two trains daily to Kansas City, Leavenworth and Atchison, making connections with the Union Pacific and Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railways.

Close connections made in Union Depot with all trains of the St. Paul Minneapolis & Manitoba, Northern Pacific, St. Paul & Duluth, Minneapolis, St. Paul &ault St. Marie Railways, from and to all points North and Northwest.

Remember: The trains of the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railway are composed of comfortable day coaches, magnificent Pullman sleeping cars, Horton reclining chair cars, and Palace Dining Cars.

150 lbs of baggage checked free. Fare always as low as the lowest. For time tables, through tickets, etc., call upon the nearest ticket agent, or write to

S. F. BOYD, Gen. Ticket and Pass. Agent, MINNEAPOLIS Minn

Northern Pacific & Manitoba Ry.

ARRIVE DAILY		LEAVE DAILY	
6 15 p.m.	Winnipeg	10 a.m.	
6 05 "	Portage Junction	9 20 "	
5 48 "	St. Norbert	6 40 "	
5 27 "	St. Agatha	10 20 "	
4 42 "	Silver Plains	10 47 "	
4 20 "	Morris	11 10 "	
4 04 "	St. Jean	11 28 "	
3 43 "	Catharino	11 55 a.m.	
3 21 "	West Lorne	12 20 p.m.	
3 03 p.m.	Pembina	12 35 "	
6 26 a.m.	Winnipeg Junction	8 50 "	
8 35 p.m.	Minneapolis	6 35 a.m.	
8 00 "	St. Paul	7 05 "	
6 40 "	Helena	4 00 p.m.	
3 40 "	Garrison	6 15 "	
1 05 a.m.	Spokane	9 45 a.m.	
3 00 p.m.	Portland	6 30 "	
7 40 "	Tacoma	3 50 "	
4 30 "	via Cascade	6 40 "	

P.M.	V.M.	STATIONS.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
2 30	8:00	St. Paul	7:30	3:00	7:35
10 30	7 00	Chicago	9:00	3:10	8:10
6 45	10 15	Detroit	10 15	4 10	6 10
9 15	9:05	Toronto	9:10		9:05
7 00	7:50	New York	7:30	8 20	8:30
8 30	3:00	Boston	9:35	10:50	10:50
9 00	8 30	Montreal	8 15		9 15

Pullman Palace Sleeping Cars and Dining Cars on every train.
J. M. GRAHAM, General Manager. H. SWINFORD, General Agent.

N. W. C. & N. Co's Railway

TIME TABLE.

Head Down, going east No. 1 Daily.	STATIONS.	Head Up, going west. No. 2 Daily.
14 00 De	Lethbridge	Ar 1 30
15 55	Woodpecker	23 35
16 50	Purple Springs	22 40
17 45 Ar	Grassy Lake	21 45
18 00 De	Cherry Coulee	20 55
18 50	Winnifred	Do 20 00
20 00	Seven Persons	Ar 19 55
20 55	Dunmore	De 18 45
22 10 Ar		De 17 30

E. T. GALT, Manager, Lethbridge. J. BAILEY, Supt., Lethbridge.

Manitoba and Northwestern Ry.

CHANGE OF TIME.

Taking Effect November 24th, 1888.

PASS Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday	Miles from Portage	STATIONS.	PASS Monday, Wednesday and Friday
LEAVE 16 00		Portage la Prairie	ARRIVE 13 20
17 45	35	Gladstone	12 05
18 45	61	Neepawa	10 38
19 45	79	Minnedosa	9 35
20 50	94	Rapid City	8 30
21 30	115	Snoal Lake	8 00
22 30	138	Birtle	7 00
23 30	155	*Birtsearth	5 55
24 10	166	*Russell	5 15
24 40	180	*Launenburg	7 15
1 45	206	*Saltcoats	3 40
ARRIVE			LEAVE

*Trains for Birtsearth leave Birtle Tuesdays and Saturdays only at 22 50, returning leave Birtsearth Wednesdays and Mondays only at 5 55. For Russell leave Birtle Tuesdays only at 22 50, returning leave Russ. all Wednesdays only at 5 15. For Launenburg and Saltcoats leave Birtle Saturdays only at 22 50; returning leave Saltcoats Mondays only at 3 40. For Rapid City, leave Minnedosa Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 20 00; returning leave Rapid City Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 30. Above trains connect at Portage la Prairie with trains of the Canadian Pacific Railway to and from Winnipeg. For information as to Freight or Passenger Rates apply to A. Macdonald, Assistant Freight and Passenger Agent, Portage la Prairie, or to W. R. BAKER, General Superintendent.



Northern Pacific Railway.

Pembina, Grand Forks, Helena, Butte and all Prominent Montana points. —THE—

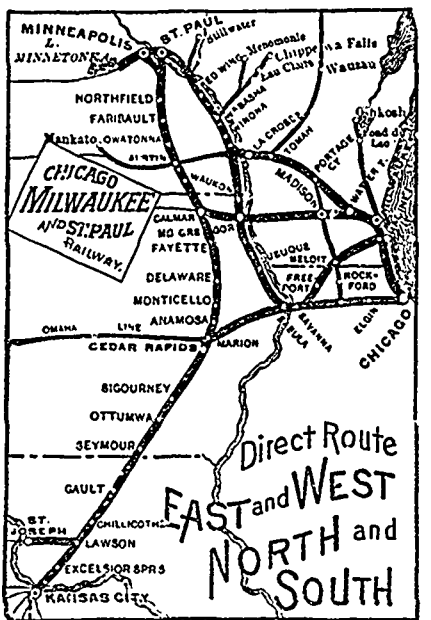
POPULAR TRANS-CONTINENTAL
—AND—
DINING CAR ROUTE

To Spokane Falls, Portland, Seattle, Victoria, B.C., All Puget Sound Points and Alaska.

Express Trains Daily

To which are attached Pullman Palace Sleepers and Free Colonist Sleeping Cars. The only rail line to the Yellowstone National Park. For full information, address, CHAS. S. FEE, Gen. Passenger and Ticket Agent, ST. PAUL, MINN.

Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway.



For tickets, time tables, or any information in regard to the line, apply to any ticket agent in the Northwest or to W. H. DIXON, Ass't Gen'l Pass. Agent, 102 East Third Street, St. Paul, Minn. ROSWELL MILLER, General Manager. A. V. H. CARPENTER, Gen'l Pass. and Ticket Agt. J. F. TUCKER, Ass't Gen'l Manager. G. H. HRAFFORD, Ass't Gen'l Pass. and Ticket Agt.