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Inspecting Manitoba Wheat.

Correspondence was made public during the past week which has been passing between the Dominion warehouse commissioner at Winnipeg, the department of trade and commerce at Ottawa, and the Winnipeg grain exchange concerning the inspection of Manitoba wheat at points east of the great lakes. The situation shown up is something of a revelation to the public, and is hardly creditable to the grain inspection of Eastern Canada. The warehouse commissioner visited Great Britain last summer, and while there made enquiry on leading corn exchanges as to the position of Manitoba wheat. He found that it stands high in the estimation of millers, and that there is plenty of room for expansion of trade. He also found, and this is the most important feature of his report, that the inspection of Manitoba wheat at Toronto and other eastern points is unreliable, and that unless improved, damage to the trade in Manitoba wheat will result. Samples brought back by Mr. Castle from English exchanges of grain bearing Toronto certificates have been re-inspected here, and prove to have been falsely graded. This much information is contained in a letter which he wrote to the department some weeks ago. The matter has since been taken up by the Winnipeg grain exchange, and letters have been sent by that body to the trade and commerce department and also to the minister of the interior, asking for an investigation into the whole question.



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## WESTERN FUEL SUPPLY.

The coal strike in the anthracite regions of the United States has directed some attention to the coal deposits in Western Canada. It has been well known for years that there is an enormous area of coal lands in Western Canada, extending all the way from southwestern Manitoba westward to the Rocky Mountains, and northwesterly far beyond the present range of settlement. Throughout this vast region coal has been located at many points. In many places it can be seen in outcroppings along the cut bank of a river. West of the summit of the Rocky Mountains, in the vast province of British Columbia, coal is found in many districts, hundreds of miles apart. Throughout the vast region extending from the western portion of Manitoba to the Pacific Ocean, there may be said to be abundance of fuel, speaking generally, within easy distance of every part of the country. The coal found throughout this wide extent of territory naturally varies materially in quality, but it practically all belongs to the bituminous and lignite classes, so far as has yet been shown by practical mining operations. One mine produced an anthracite coal which sold well in Winnipeg for a time, but the supply of this appears to have been exhausted, as it has not been in the market here for the past two seasons. As a large portion of the coal territory has as yet been but very imperfectly explored, further supplies of anthracite may be discovered later. Some of the mines produce very fine qualities of bituminous and coking coals.

The lignite coals in the southeastern portion of Assiniboia territory are mined quite extensively, and supply a large part of the fuel used throughout the Rocky Mountains in Manitoba, and the adjacent portions of Assiniboia. At Lethbridge, in Alberta territory, a fine quality of bituminous coal is mined on a large scale. This coal is sold freely as far east as Winnipeg. At Fernie, just across the summit of the Rocky Mountains in British Columbia, a very extensive coal mining industry has grown up within the last few years, since the Crow's Nest railway was built. This coal is used largely in the form of coke, by the steel-making and mining country on both sides of the International boundary, and for other purposes in

the region tributary to the mines. It has not been shipped eastward as far as Winnipeg heretofore, but may be sold in this way from this quarter this year. At Frank, in Alberta, also on the Crow's Nest line, eastward some distance from Fernie, a new mine is being opened on an extensive scale, and a considerable supply of coal is looked for from this quarter in time. A fine quality of steam coal has been mined at Camrose, Alberta, or the Canadian Pacific Railway main line, west of Calgary, and also in the same district, at Antracite, a very fine quality of coal has been mined for some years. This latter coal was sold along the railway as far east as Winnipeg, and much was exported from it as a factor in the fuel supply of the country, but last year, and this year none of this coal has been obtainable at Winnipeg, and the supply, so far as this mine is concerned, appears to have failed.

These are the principal points in the interior where coal mining operations are carried on. There are a number of other mines in various parts of the country, which are operated to some extent, but most of these are only worked for local purposes, the coal being used only by the settlers in the surrounding territory. These local mines have probably not been developed on a sufficiently large scale to permit of mining any large quantity of coal on short notice. On the Pacific coast of British Columbia an important mining industry has been established for years. The mines on the east coast of Vancouver Island are worked quite extensively for export as well as for the home requirements of the British Columbia coal districts.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the coal used here is not suffering in Western Canada as a result of the prolonged strike in Pennsylvania. We have abundance of coal and wood fuel at home for all purposes. The consumption of Pennsylvania anthracite in Western Canada has been confined principally to Winnipeg, and some of the other larger towns throughout the country. The consumption of the imported coal has, moreover, been a matter of choice and not of necessity, and has been confined to people who preferred the hard coal, regardless of price, owing to the fact that it is cleaner to handle and less subject to cause disagreeable odors in burning. It also requires less attention to stoves and furnaces. Winnipeg, however, is to a large extent a wood-burning community, and the same is true of all the northern and eastern portion of Manitoba. In the southern and western portions of the country, the native coals are largely used. The present trouble in Pennsylvania is, however, a permanent increase in the consumption of native soft coals. An increased demand for stoves and grates suitable for burning these coals has been noticeable of late. Those who formerly used the imported coals, but who will now supply themselves with fuel burners specially adapted to consuming soft coals, may be expected to continue the use of these coals even after an equilibrium has been established in the supply and price of Pennsylvania anthracite.

## STEADY, NOW!

The present season of prosperity throughout Western Canada is not without its dangers and temptations to the business community, and in fact, these dangers are in the air. There is more than one way in which seasons of prosperity that in times of adversity, during close times business

men are more inclined to keep their affairs well in hand. They give closer attention to the details of their business, keep their stocks down, avoid unnecessary expenditures and practice economy. In fact, they try to know just where they stand and endeavor to keep their expenditures within their income.

When the season of unusual prosperity comes and every one is talking good times, there is a real time of trial for the business man. This is the time to test people and show the real stuff of which they are made. There is the temptation to branch out; to expand; to build a larger store and put in a heavier stock than is generally carried. To increase personal as well as business expenses, and just here we may state, it is a much easier matter to increase expenses than to contract them. There is also the temptation to the business man to embark in speculations outside of his regular business. Here in the West the real estate speculation is rampant in real estate, though it may take other forms, in the investment in stocks or in some other business enterprise outside of the one regularly carried on and mainly depended upon by the merchant.

Business men in mercantile lines are, of course, not the only people who are liable to be carried away in times of prosperity. The farmer buys more land. He sees the price of land going more before the price gets too high. The next year may be one of adversity with him, and he is anxious to pay the merchant on account of having invested his means in land. The merchant, who has also branched out in other ways, on account of the prosperous times, needs an increased income to meet the altered circumstances, and the time of adversity for the farmer certainly will hard upon the merchant. He has his income cut off at a time when he required an increase therein.

The clerks also and other men on salary will also speculate in times of great prosperity. They hear of money being made by some other person and their hard-earned savings are placed in some investment, which may or may not prove remunerative. If only the actual surplus were used for outside investment, the result would not often be so disastrous. Speculation is not often confined to actual surplus in hand. The country is assumed beyond the actual cash amount invested. This is particularly true of real estate investments, which makes this kind of speculation specially dangerous to many persons. The assumption of the obligation means that a continuance of great prosperity is often necessary to enable a speculator to meet the obligation. Thus in time of contraction there is an additional burden to be cared for.

Western Canada is now enjoying an unusual season of prosperity. Prospects ahead are good for the development of the country. There is need of caution, however, at the present time. There is certainly a great deal of speculation accompanying the legitimate development of the country. The temptations to spread are great. There is special need now for business men to keep their affairs well in hand and be prepared for the future. There is not such a speculative "boom" as we have had in this country. There is not likely to be as disastrous a collapse. That there will be ups and downs is certain, and we never know just when the change may come. The

failures following the collapse of the last "boom" experienced in this country showed that the commercial community almost everywhere was overloaded with goods. Many who were forced to assign could have pulled through if they had kept their stocks down to reasonable dimensions. Everybody loaded up, and the result was the purchasing of goods far beyond the requirements of the country, and which it took years to consume. This was probably a greater cause of disaster than outside speculations.

The present period of prosperity has been far-reaching. It has brought development and advancement in Western Canada has been specially marked, the whole continent has enjoyed prosperous times. It is known that waves of prosperity and waves of adversity follow each other, just as warm and cold waves succeed each other. The season of prosperity has lasted well, and it certainly has been a time of inflation. Enormous capitalizations have been effected in plethoric numbers. The big rivers of speculation have been poured out upon the public for consumption. Heavy speculation in stocks has been a feature of the situation for some time, and no doubt most stocks have undergone great inflation. Only large stocks, where with a big break in Canadian stocks, which ruined a number of investors. It is said that Canadians have been heavy investors in stocks of late. A financial depression now would cause enormous losses in stocks.

Can this thing go on ad infinitum? No. What the result will be we cannot comprehend. Whether it be evolution or revolution there will certainly be a change. Wise is the man who keeps his house in order, or, in other words, who keeps his affairs well in hand. Who is not carried away by prosperity, and who is therefore best able to withstand a period of adversity.

## Enlarging Its Premises.

The Stuart-Byrthout Machinery Company, Limited, is making an important addition to its premises at Winnipeg. A new building 40x130, two storeys high, is being erected at the back of the present one on Main street north, which will be used as a machine and boiler shop. The machinery on the upper storey being reserved for this latter purpose. This will greatly increase the capacity of the company's repair department, and will enable it to handle much work which has hitherto been turned away. The machinery for the new works is already here and ready for installation. The entire plants of two defunct eastern shops has been acquired. The installation is a completely filled five cars, and is probably the largest single shipment of plant ever handled in Winnipeg. The new building is being rushed.

As a result of this expansion in the premises of this firm its senior partner, Mr. Jas. Stuart, has voluntarily offered upon to devote all his time to the business. He is resigning his position as city works commissioner with that end in view. The rapid growth of many of our western towns is causing them to put on metropolitan airs and there is a growing demand in the west for electric lighting, waterworks and other modern municipal works. Mr. Stuart-Byrthout Company proposes to cater more largely to this trade and will also devote a greater amount of attention to the construction of mill enterprises of all kinds. Several orders of this kind have lately been booked. Electric lighting plants are at present being installed for the Arrow Mill Company, of Birtle, Man., McCulloch and another mill at Birtle, Man., City, Man., and Smith & Hunter, millers, Carnduff, Assa.

A wire from Montreal on October 10 said: In an interview to-day ex-Alderman C. F. Smith, head of James McCready's committee, said that it was there is any prospect at present for a Canadian combine of boot and shoe manufacturers.





**A Pioneer's Farm in the Boundary District of B. C.**

Following the recently published general notice of the farming district lying west of Midway B. C. from Hook Creek to Sidley, on Anarchoit Mountain, some particulars will now be given of the largest single holding in the district, that of Mr. R. J. Sidley, J. P., after whom the Sidley P. O. office was named.

Mr. Sidley is the oldest settler, in point of residence, of the ranchers on Anarchoit Mountain. He settled there in 1867, after having spent a couple of years placing on Hook Creek and other places where "pock dirt" was then known or believed to occur, in the early days of his ranching experience in this neighborhood he was laughed at for thinking of ranching in a place so isolated as his land then was. Westwards lay Osoyoos, about a dozen miles away, and in the opposite direction a few placer mines were to be found on or about Hook Creek. Ehol's, as Midway was known before its enterprising founder had ever seen the best townsite in the Boundary was the first stopping place it later became, after Louis Ehol had pre-empted it, nor was there any other stopping place, although on the Grand Prairie, as the open lands near what is now widely known as Grand Prairie, are called, his favorite pasturage for cattle, especially for those intended for the Kootenay, and an occasional trail led for the livestock. After leaving Ireland, Mr. Sidley had had farming experience in Ontario, and so that when he decided to become a rancher in the "wild and woolly west" he had no means a tenderfoot in this connection.

Space considerations forbid this pioneer's further belongings through all the ups and downs, especially the latter, of early effort in this district. The Boundary was then a wide, open distance, and no roads to get to one even were there one within a day or two, and the prospect was certainly not encouraging. Yet like many another hardy trail-breaker, he had to go on, and he slowly ran a pack trail, until the following of many a moccasin and more modern "Arctic" sleds, and eventually space had been cleared for wagons and sleight, and now the Boundary is a busy, well-travelled mission area, the railway locomotive, is being especially looked for.

From his small beginnings Mr. Sidley's ranch has gradually been increased in size, until to-day its area is about 2,000 acres, including arable land equal to any in the district, pasture lands, and some fine timber country, much of this timber suitable for saw logs, are to be found in abundance. The timbered lands are generally of good soil, having open stretches up to 50 acres among the belts of trees, and so well suited for dairying, especially as numerous springs provide plenty of water. In the neighborhood are ranges fit for either sheep or cattle, so that either dairying or stock raising is a profitable business can be followed to advantage, especially now that markets are becoming accessible. Heretofore outside of a small market at Camp McKinney and Midway, there has been little demand for dairy products, but that drawback is being removed, as the mining towns and camps of the Boundary are becoming established and provide a market for these and other products.

Before the 2,000 acres of purchased land just mentioned, and which are situated immediately north of the inland boundary line, Mr. Sidley has under a three years' lease, with the approval of the Indian agent for the district, secured 100 acres of land just across the line, which divides his purchased land from these leased lots. This land is under cultivation this season for the first time, and oats and barley sown on the sod have grown up to 200 acres so that the fertility was evident to all who saw the crops growing. Including the cultivated portion in this tract and the total area Mr. Sidley had under cultivation this year was about 400 acres, of which 150 acres were in grain, 12 acres in roots, and the remainder in fallow for next season's cropping. These fields are secured by a fence, and the rest of the ranch, upon which there are in all about 30 miles of rail fence.

Oats were the first crop, both in area and yield, this season. One field of about 75 acres of oats was sown in the early July, but was not reaped. The oats were growing as thickly

as they could stand up from the ground, in parts up to six feet in height, and were so thick even where the straw was longest, and these heavy with grain. So well did this field grow that it yielded an average of 65 bushels so the acre appeared quite a reasonable one. This was the best yield that he has had in a little late for this district. The American Banner has been shown by local correspondents to be a good one for these parts. Most farmers heretofore grow a mixed cut, though some have been known to grow some 40 acres (cut and in the barn) promising a prolific yield. About 15 acres more have been sown and intended for hay, came on so well that it was left for grain, and looked as it stood as if it would throw a fair crop. Fall wheat and rye had already been cut when the farm was visited in the middle of September, and the latter had returned about 30 bushels per acre of plump, heavy grain. Wheat, grown chiefly for chickens' feed, yielded only about 25 bushels to the acre; the climate not being so well suited for this crop. Oats when not sold for feed were used for stock, and the yield about 12 tons to the acre, white carrots up to 20 tons, and parsnips and turnips also, some near the latter yield. Frosty night after the main golds, which, like tender garden vegetables, do not thrive so well as other crops, but though satisfactory in size, the quality is not first class, consequently the hogs do not grow so raised here. Cabbages and onions were seen doing well in the garden where, too, some small fruit flourish. A few large fruit trees are being experimented with, and with fair prospect of success.

There are on the farm somewhere about 100 horses, chiefly breeding Standardbred, and the stock is generally 14 horses ree kept steadily employed. In the stables was seen Young G. M. Patchen, Jr., a bright bay, bred in the United States, standing 16 hands high and weighing 1,280 lbs. This horse has in him the blood of some of the best stallions of his day. The cattle number about 60, including some Hereford, Jersey bull, some good beef stock and dairy cows, there being 10 of the latter in the range. There are 20 to 40 swine, and in one of them a pure bred Berkshire boar obtained from Ontario through Live Stock Commissioner P. Burns. Many of the pigs raised are sold to P. Burns & Co. for their boundary meat trade. Nearly 100 chickens kept for their growing, the change of meat diet and keeping the household well supplied with eggs, besides being a source of profit, and was expected to arrive any day.

Whilst there is comfort in the house, according to the report of Sidley ranch no attempt has been made at building display. Men, beasts and machines are as well housed with the regard to the winter climate, but no money has been spent simply for appearances. Between his farm overlooking his winter as a sign of the peace, postmaster and customs

officer, Mr. Sidley is a busy man. Yet he finds time to be hospitable notwithstanding the rather heavy demands made upon his generosity in this direction.

**Advance in C. P. R. Lands.**

Another advance in the price of Canadian Pacific railway lands has been made. This is the result of the enormous increase in the purchase of company caused by the purchase of lands by speculators. To prevent speculators purchasing lands and holding them for an advance, the company are following up their policy of discouraging this practice by advancing their lands to make it unprofitable for holders to allow these lands to lie idle for a term of years. Mr. Green, commissioner of the C. P. R. land department, in an interview with a reporter of the Free Press said:

"The lands of the Canadian Pacific Railway company in Northern Alberta and Saskatchewan, as far west as the fifth meridian, have been increased in price from fifty cents to one dollar and fifty cents per acre. These lands have hitherto been selling generally at from \$5.50 to \$100 per acre. The increase is from \$1.25 per acre. The \$5 per acre tract may be generally described as all that occupies the territories mentioned which lie north of the North Saskatchewan and Battle rivers, as far west as the point of junction of the Battle river with the line between townships 43 and 47; these westerly, following the northerly limit of township 46 as far west as the westerly boundary range 19 west of the fourth meridian; thence northerly along the said westerly limit of range 19, to the northerly limit of the company's grant."

"This advance," continued Mr. Griffin, "has been found necessary to prevent all the choicest lands in the territory falling into the hands of speculators, who have been buying in anticipation of settlement for the purpose of reselling at largely increased figures."

**Canada As a Maritime Nation.**

According to the annual shipping report of the marine department of Canada, the Dominion stands eighth in point of ownership of vessels in tonnage among the nations of the world, behind Spain, Sweden, Holland, Denmark, Greece, Japan, Turkey and other countries. Britain holds the list with United States second, then Germany, Norway, France, Italy, Russia, and Canada. Following are the comparative figures in net tonnage:

Austria	10,394,328
Belgium	2,835,825
Germany	2,198,885
France	1,912,200
Italy	947,667
Canada	644,832
Russian	506,065
Spain	429,658
Sweden	397,862
United States	320,786
Greece	230,786
Japan	210,112
Turkey	180,000
Danish	150,000

\*Including Canada and the colonies.

The report shows that the total number of vessels remaining on the register books of the Dominion on December 31, 1914, consisted of 1,041 steam and vessels, sailing vessels, steamers and barges, was 6,752, measuring 664,483 tons net register tonnage, being an increase of fifty-seven vessels and an increase of 4,490 tons register as compared with 1914. The number of steamers on the registry books on the same date was 2,177, with a gross tonnage of 297,421 tons. Assuming the average value to be \$30 per ton, the value of the registered tonnage of Canada on December 31 would be \$10,554,406. The number of new vessels built and registered in the Dominion of Canada during the last year was 355, measuring 34,881 tons registered tonnage. Estimating the value of the net tonnage at \$15 per ton, it gives a total value of \$1,531,940 for new vessels.

**Moving Threshers.**


The railway companies have agreed to carry threshing machines at one-half the normal rate of freight on the original shipping point, and the men accompanying the outfit will be carried at the rate of one cent per mile in each direction. This is an estimate the movement of threshing outfits where threshing is completed, to other sections where much work remains to be done. The Winnipeg board of trade is collecting information for the railroad companies, and wishes to move their plants. All communications on this subject should be addressed to the secretary of the board of trade, Winnipeg.

No. 1 country hides declined to 3p per pound at Chicago late last week. The markets generally are weaker.

Ways rains extinguished the bush fires which were raging so furiously in the United States a few weeks ago. Millions of dollars worth of property was destroyed by these fires in addition to the standing timber. The burned regions were denuded of wild life, and worst of all, a number of settlers were burned to death.

The value of assessed property in Toronto, as fixed by the assessment department, is \$139,586,477. The increase of \$5,320,600, the value of the city is put at 211.75, without counting transient residents, the population, students and servants, an increase of 5,848, or 2.85 per cent. The value of land makes up 590,574, 708 of the total assessments; buildings and improvements, \$68,068,828; personal property, \$10,939,748; taxable income, \$5,464,775. The amount of exemptions is \$21,243,108, an increase of \$253,348.

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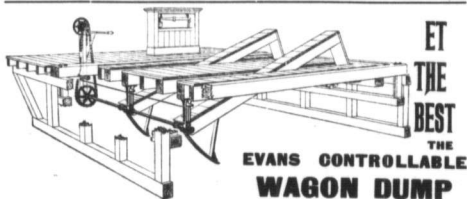
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**Grocery Trade Notes.**

Extra choice apricots are scarce on the coast. Standard grades are plentiful.

Large size prunes are scarce and buyers have to pay a premium in order to secure stock.

An advance is said to be pending in California seeded raisins, which are now on a low basis.

A cable reports the market on Valencia and Jordan shelled almonds as higher, with an advancing tendency.

Cranberries have advanced 25c per barrel at primary points. The demand is larger than usual and holders are firm in their views.

A private cable from Sicily reports an advance of 1/3d on fibbers. Last sales prior to the advance were made at 40s for October shipment.

In regard to Sultana raisins a private cable was received here yesterday which reported the market very strong at an advance of 3s and quoted prices at 27s to 30s as to quality.

Recent advices from the east report light stocks of cloves and say that the coming crop will not be over 75,000 bales, of which only 25,000 bales will be available for export to Europe and America.

A break in soap prices was occurred in the United States. One of the big factories cut its price last week on leading brands 30c per box. Later 15c more was taken off the price by other factories.

Cables from the primary market on currants note a stronger feeling, with up to 10s per cwt quoted on fine Amalras for prompt shipment by some holders. A quotation of 3s 6d per cwt. was received by cable from one holder.

Cable advices from Brazil report that the flowering of the 1913-4 crop has been favorable. The recent frost damage cables are now largely ignored, and it is generally believed that the present outlook is for a large yield from the next crop; in fact the Brazilian Review, in its issue of Sept. 10, says that the indications are for another large Rio crop.

The chestnut crop in Pennsylvania will be very large this year, and ac-

ording to experts the nuts will be well developed and free from worms. Abundant moisture, cool nights and slow development, which make chestnuts fat and sweet, and the same weather conditions are favorable to the full development of walnuts, hazel nuts, hickory nuts and butter nuts.—New York Fruit Trade Journal.

It may certainly be easily demonstrated that Winnipeg is a cheap fruit market. No such prices are ever obtained here for California fruits as are frequently paid in the larger cities of the United States. For instance a recent sale of oranges by auction in New York noted the phenomenal average price of \$0.75 per box for extra fancy stock; \$0.35 for fancy, and \$4.10 for standards. One lot of extra fancy brought \$14 per box.

With reference to Indian tees, mail advices from London under date of Sept. 27, say: "The position looks at the moment very safe indeed. Since the opening of the season something like 80,000 or 100,000 packages more than at this time last year have been dealt in, while exports from Calcutta to the middle of the month are only about the same as then. It is the fairly general opinion that business is gradually righting itself, and a spell of steady prices now would do a great deal towards creating confidence throughout the country."

Early in the week cables were received from Denia noting a decline in the prices of Valencia raisins of 6d all round, but advices on Wednesday reported the market steady at the above reduction and quoted fine off stalk at 24s 6d; selected at 25s 6d, and layers at 29s 6d. Spot prices have ruled steady with further sales of consigned fruit at 6 1/2c for fine off stalk; 7 1/2c for selected, and 8c for layers. During the week a few small purchases were made over the cable for local and western account for shipment by the second direct vessel which sailed to-day from Denia. The Escacon, the first direct steamer from the Mediterranean ports this season is expected to arrive in port to-day with 60,000 boxes of Valencia raisins and, as the market is very bare of fruit at present, she is anxiously looked forward for by those who have supplies on board.—Montreal Gazette.

**Implement Trade Notes.**

The United States harvesting machinery trust is considering the advisability of entering into the manufacture of drills and seeders.

Manufacturers are inclined to shorten the time of credit sales for next year. Prices are also higher, owing to increased cost of material.

An order for 20,000 harrows to be shipped to South Africa for the imperial government is being filled by the Massey-Harris Co., of Toronto.

In view of the expansion of the threshing engine demand in the west the Sawyer-Massey Co. will double its capacity at Hamilton. Contracts will be let at once.

One line of goods which Canada could supply for South Africa to advantage is farm implements. Large quantities of implements will be wanted to re-estate the Boer farmers as well as for the many soldiers and others who are now settling in that country. Canadian factories make the best and most up to date farm implements to be procured anywhere.

The new harvesting machinery trust of the United States has decided upon its policy with regard to the selling department. It has been decided that in every good trading town on this continent there will be five agencies, one for each different make of machinery. Each agent will handle but one make of machine, and any division of the company which cannot find a suitable agent will be left out. This retail agent will fix the price at which the particular machine he handles will be sold, the wholesale price being made, of course, by the company. The company will not place any restrictions on the agent as to what other lines of machinery he will handle or what other business he shall engage in so long as he sells its machines satisfactorily. The present staff of travelling salesmen and blockmen will be maintained, and possibly augmented.

**Hardware Trade Notes.**

Rope halters have gone up 5 per cent.

Factories have advanced their prices for hay rakes.

Cement has advanced 40c per barrel in the east.

Cut nails in carlots are up 2 1/2c in eastern markets.

Fash weights are 25c per 100 pounds clearer at factories.

Monarch brand horse nails are now subject to a discount of 05 in excess of 75 per cent.

**Dairy Trade Notes.**

The total export of cheese from Montreal this season reach 1,514,117 boxes, against 1,342,953 for the same time last year and 1,664,888 in 1910. The exports of butter since May, 1 amount to 375,191 packages, against 323,664 last year and 225,507 in 1910. The total shipments of cheese, v. s. Portland, so far this year are 31.16 against 154,352 last year.

**Live Stock Trade Notes.**

The poor outlook for winter pasture in portions of Colorado, Idaho and Wyoming has had a tendency to push poorly fitted cattle onto the market for eastern shipment.

A shipment of 800 head of cattle from the ranges of Western Canada passed through St. Paul, Minn., last week en route for the English market, via Boston. These cattle were shipped by Gordon & Ironsides, from Grand View, Man.

Slideshow Man—See here, your paper said the biggest snake in my State Fair show was twenty feet long, when it's really thirty-one feet.

Editor—Sorry, but we were crowded for space yesterday, and had to cut everything down.—Indianapolis News.

Mrs. Chugwater—So that is the photograph you had taken the other day, is it? I'd like to know why you can't look as pleasant as that when you are around the house.

Mr. Chugwater—Well, it may be that the photograph tries to bring out my pleasant expression and you don't.—Chicago Times.

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The license of the Maple Leaf hotel, Pointfield, has been transferred from P. H. Keel to J. F. Watson.

The total number of children enrolled in the Winnipeg public schools is now 7,015, and the average attendance is 6,200.

Wm. Currie has bought the general store business of W. Moore, at Petrol. The latter gentleman will move to Brookfield, where he will open a general store.

P. H. Logan announces that he will close the grocery department of his business at Carberry, and will invest the money in extending his grocery and feed business.

The Winnipeg Land Company, Limited, has been incorporated for the purpose of dealing in real property at Winnipeg. Mary Fortune and R. W. H. Fortune are among the applicants.

Thomas Ferguson, who has recently resigned as chairman of the provincial board of health of Manitoba, intends leaving a few weeks for Calgary, and will locate there permanently.

Insulating Inspector Rodgers, of Winnipeg, has up to date this season given permits for the erection of 920 buildings in Winnipeg, the aggregate value of which, when completed, will be \$2,210,000.

Joseph Maw, carriage dealer, Winnipeg, is taking his brother Alfred, of Calgary, into partnership. The latter has been Massey-Harris agent at Calgary for 17 years. He now moves to Winnipeg.

The Waterloo Engine Company expects to open an office at Winnipeg late this week. The new building is a substantial and commodious structure, and his staff will appreciate it very much.

There is some talk of eastern capital engaging in the manufacture of cement in the local materials. A. McLaren, of Stratford, and Dr. Jamieson, another Ontario business man, behind the new scheme.

Carruthers & Co., hide dealers and tanners, Brandon, have completed a new building at Brandon for the accommodation of their business at that point. This building is located on Oxford street, and is a very high, 20x15, and cost about \$30,000.

The resignation of James Stuart as water and light commissioner for Winnipeg will come up before the meeting of the council next Monday night. It is generally believed that if the resignation is accepted the office will be abolished.

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The Manitoba Frost Wire Fence Co. is in preparation for business. The business of the company will be to manufacture and sell wire fences, and also make and sell wire netting. Its headquarters will be at Winnipeg.

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## ASSINIBOIA.

J. J. Griffith has opened in the butchering business at Milestone.

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## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Saturday, Oct. 18, 1902.

Business continues active in all lines. Fine weather throughout the week has enabled farmers to make very satisfactory progress with their work and business is perceptibly influenced by this favorable feature. The grain movement is large and as prices hold at the comparatively high level which has prevailed so far this fall, the outlook for the season is large. There are numerous complaints of car famine from country points, and no doubt a certain amount of shortage has occurred at various places, but on the whole the railway companies are doing very well with their task of getting out the grain, much better, in fact, than most business people expected and much better, we believe, than some professional agitators hoped they would. Demand for goods in a number of rural centers and local houses are quite busy. Sorting demand for fall lines is becoming larger as the season advances. Values in all lines are comparatively steady. Banks are busy handling wheat money and are holding a large amount of cash firm at 6 to 7 per cent for mercantile loans.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Oct. 18.

All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually bought by local dealers, and are subject to the usual reductions on large quantities, and to cash discounts.

## BUILDING MATERIAL.

There is still a good demand for stone and lime, although the season is becoming advanced. Foundations are being put in at a number of raton buildings which will be completed next season. Brick is also in good demand still, but there is not much to be done, unless what we noted a few weeks ago. The quote: Rubble stone, \$4 per cord; footings, \$5.50 per cord; broken brick, \$1.25 per cubic yard; brick, kiln run, per thousand, \$1.50; concrete, \$11 per thousand; white lime, 20c per bushel; gray lime, 20c per bushel.

## CURED MEATS.

Demand for hog products is in excess of the supply, and prices are consequently firm. The quote: Corned sugar cured, 15 1/2c; corned, 14 1/2c; bacon, bellies, 12 1/2c; backs, 14 1/2c; spiced rolls, short, 12 1/2c; 14 1/2c; smoked shoulders, 11 1/2c; cooked hams, 2c per lb.; smoked long clear, 13c; dry salt, long clear, 11c; dry salt, hams, 12 1/2c; lard, tressed, 11 1/2c; 50-lb. tins, \$4.60; 20-lb. tins, \$2.50; 10-lb. tins in cases, \$7.60; 5-lb. tins, \$7.60; 3-lb. tins, \$7.75. Barrel pork, heavy mess, \$2.45; pickled pigs feet, in kits, \$1.25; sausage casings, 40c.

## DRUGS.

Locally there is no change. Demand is good. The general situation is indicated by the following list of changes gleaned from the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter of New York, dated Oct. 17 of last Monday: Advanced—Quinine, 2c; cinchonida, 1c; alcohol, grain, 3c; balsam capilla, 1c; oil of wintergreen, \$1; oil peppermint, case, 5c; oil peppermint, bulk, 10c; Jalap root, 1/2c; Declined—Coccoloba, 1c; opium, 10c; Juniper berries, 1/2c; oil wormwood, 1/2c; senega root, 2c; arrowroot, 1/2c; lobelia seed, 1/2c.

## DRY GOODS.

Trade is active in a sorting way. Many country merchants have had to restrict their orders several times on certain lines, and the wholesale trade find that they underestimated the requirements in some lines. Difficulty is found in getting goods from factories as these are all behind with orders. Canadian factories especially so. Smallware and fancy goods are perhaps in worse shape in this respect than any other department. Values are firm.

## FISH.

Demand is good. Prices rule steady, as follows: Whitefish, 5c per lb.; pickerel, 4c per lb.; pike, 3c; trout, 10c;

salmon, 12 1/2c; halibut, 11c; fresh cod, 7c per lb.; fresh haddock, 7c; mackerel, 13c; herrings, 15c per box; Labrador herring, per barrel, \$4.45; salt mackerel, \$1.50 per kit; Holland herring, in kits, \$1; Dight's choice, 5c per lb.; boneless fish, 1/2c lb.; oysters, selects, \$2.50 per gallon.

## FUEL.

The fuel situation is quite fully covered by news items in other columns of this issue. The settlement of the Pennsylvania case has brought about a feeling of relief, but the actual situation is no better and fuel is still dear. We quote: Anthracite, 40c per lb.; coke, stove and No. 1 nut, \$20 per ton, delivered retail; Crow's Nest Pass coal, \$9 per ton; coal, bituminous, \$8 per ton; Souris lignite, \$4.75 per ton. Wood in carlots on tracks is worth about the following: White pine, poplar, per cord, \$5.50; jack pine, \$4.75; poplar, \$3.75; oak, \$2.25; slabs, \$3.25.

## GREEN FRUITS.

Demand is easing off a little as the season is coming advanced. The principal lines at present are apples and grapes. These are coming forward freely and are in good demand. Fall apples are now quoted at \$3 per barrel f.o.b. here and winters at \$3.25 to \$3.50. Apples are also quoted at now \$5 per barrel, and for ten barrel lots a discount of 10c is allowed. The quality of the fruit is poor. Grapes in 100 basket lots can be bought for 20c per basket; in 50 basket lots 21c; in 25 basket lots 22c, 22c. Black and red Roger grapes are worth 40c per basket. Tokay grapes are expected to arrive on the 22nd to sell at \$3 per case. These prices for Niagara and Concord are said to be as low as will be quoted. Cranberries are selling here at \$9 per barrel for Cape Cod and \$10 for fancy stock, but as there has been an advance in the market at primary points, higher prices are looked for. Pears and plums will come on in season and which is expected here on the 20th will be the last to arrive. Pears are selling at \$1.25 per 50 cases, whereas the selling Idaho stock. Plums and prunes are selling \$1.25 and \$1.10 per case respectively. Apples are selling at now \$5.50 per case. Lemons are selling at \$1.25 per case; common onions at 1 1/2c per lb.; celery at 35c per bunch; red cabbage at 2c per lb.; and greens are beginning to move more freely. Cabbage are selling at \$1.50 per box and \$1.00 per case, and the date of 12 one pound cartons, 12c per lb.; Cal. apricots at \$1.5c, and fancy large apricots at 10c. Hovey is worth \$1.50 per case of fancy white clover in 1-lb. glass jars; \$2.50 for white clover comb; \$1.50 for dark Hovey in case lots; and 12c per pound for strained in 60-lb. tins. Select oysters are quoted at \$2.50 per gallon.

## GROCERIES.

Business is active and there are no changes in the prices of staples. With reference to canned goods we may say that recent fronts in Ontario are practically put to rest and production is advancing. The latest reports the results so far as tomatoes were concerned are that the total pack is not over 30,000 cases, whereas the orders now on hand total up to 215,000 cases. It is therefore safe to say that the price of tomatoes will be high. White beans, which are now quoted at \$2.10 to \$2.25 per bushel now hold in advance at \$2.10 to \$2.40 or \$2.50, as they are now held in the east at the figures they are being quoted at here. If reports are being quoted on this cereal will remain at \$1.75 figures at least a good return for the high water mark of 50 per cent of an average. Jobbing prices for groceries at Winnipeg will be found on our prices arranged page.

## PAINTS, OIL AND GLASS.

Demand holds good and there are no changes to note in prices here. Linseed oil is steady at the sharp decline noted recently. Turpentine is steady. The cutting here continues by hardware houses here continues and the figures are still far below a normal level. The report from Belgium indicate that there may

shortly be further labor troubles among the glass workers there with consequent business depression and famine prices. We quote a list of Winnipeg jobbing prices on another page.

## SCRAP.

We quote: No. 1 cast iron, free from wrought and millable, \$14 to \$15 per ton; No. 2, \$12 to \$14 per ton; wrought iron, scrap, \$5 to \$6 per ton; No. 7c per pound; red brass, heavy, 7 1/2c per lb.; No. 10c per lb.; No. 11c per lb.; No. 12c per lb.; lead pipe or tin, 5c to 6c per pound; rags, country mixed, 50c per ton; No. 10c per ton; No. 11c per ton; rivets, buckets and arctic, 4 1/2c per pound; zinc scrap, 1c per pound; bones of beef and mutton, 25c per dozen; points, 15c per dozen.

## GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—General situation.—The market has been much stronger this week and it has been increased speculative business as well as a good demand for the commodity. Milling is still moderate, but in the United States, and the mills are doing a large and apparently profitable business. The American wheat prices at the close of the market yesterday amounted to 2 1/2 to 2 3/4c for No. 1 hard, and 1 1/2 to 2c for the crops in Europe, which is not the output smaller than was carried forward, is a factor in strengthening the market. The conditions for the winter wheat crop in the United States have taken a favorable turn and very large acreage is being seeded. American stocks are also increasing, though the visible supply as it has been increased compared with last and other previous years, as will be seen by our statistical tables on another page. The American visible supply increased 487,000 bushels this week, against an increase of 782,000 bushels the previous week and an increase of 734,000 bushels last year. The world's shipments were 11,000,000 bushels, against 10,000,000 bushels the previous week and 7,671,000 bushels last year. The world's visible supply, as shown on another page, is another large increase of 8,043,000 bushels, the previous week, and an increase of only 1,537,000 bushels the previous week.

WHEAT—Local Situation.—The local wheat market has held firm this week, in sympathy with the outside markets, and prices have shown a slight appreciation, with an active movement. Favorable weather, threatening, which has prevailed all this week, has enabled farmers to get their crops threshed rapidly and this is reflected in the heavy movements of wheat. The date of this week about 10,000 bushels of wheat have been inspected, in round numbers, or say 5,000,000 bushels. This wheat has either reached Lako Superior ports or is now in transit between Winnipeg and the lake. Stocks at lake ports are being increasing, notwithstanding liberal shipments by water to the interior ports.

Stocks at interior points have accumulated rapidly, and many country elevators are ready to be full of wheat. One concern operating a line of 60 or 70 elevators, reported yesterday that 100,000 bushels of wheat were full. The number of reports of this nature would indicate very much larger quantities of wheat. The fact is indicated by the figures given out of some quantity of wheat marketed. At the same time, the fact is that very little wheat has yet been marketed, and farmers appear to be helping each other stave off marketing. The movement ranges from 250 to 400 cars.

Prices are firm. At the close of the week, No. 1 hard, 69 1/2c; No. 2, 71 1/2c for 1 hard, and 69 1/2c for northern, spot or October delivery, 67 1/2c; No. 1, 67 1/2c; No. 2, 67 1/2c for No. 1 hard and 69 1/2c for northern. The value of 2 northern is 67 1/2c; 1 hard and 69 1/2c for No. 2 wheat 61 1/2c. October delivery, and less for delivery first half November, 60c. No. 1 hard is in store Fort William or Port Arthur.

FLOUR—There is a good, steady demand for flour. The market holds firm at last week's prices. Stocks in hands of millers are light. Best Hungarian flour, 40c per bushel, \$2 per sack of 98-lb.; delivered to the trade; Glenora patent, \$1.85; Strong Blue brand, \$1.85; XXXX at \$1.25. MILLFEED—Wheat steady at

\$12.50 per ton in bulk, delivered to the trade. Shorts have declined 1/2 per ton and are now quoted at \$15.50. CRACKED FEED—Wheat cracked at \$19.50 delivered to the trade; barley chop at \$16.50; and mixed barley and shorts, \$15.50. Oats and rye are steady at \$15.50, and old cake at \$30 per ton.

HOES AND OATS—Prices hold at the lower level established last week. Best brands are worth \$1.90 per 50-lb. bushel. CRACKED FEED—Wheat meal is quoted at \$2.50 per 50-lb. 98-lb. Oats.—The market is steady and not notably changed from a week ago. Receipts are moderately large. Country No. 1 white oats are worth 20c to 21c per bushel, and Fort William. On track here No. 3 white oats are worth 25 to 26c per bushel, and is the best at about 23c to 24c per bushel. At country points farmers are getting 20c per bushel, at central points, 21c. RAILRY.—A fair quantity of barley is offering and the market is steady. Dealers are paying 33c per bushel for car lots, and 30c on track here, and 27 to 30c for feed.

FLAXSEED—Receipts are increasing. The market is steady at 11c per bushel for carlots on track, and \$1.05 per bushel to farmers at country points.

SELTZ—The market holds steady at 30c per bushel of 50 pounds, delivered to the trade.

HAY—Dealers are offering \$7 per ton for fresh haled on track here, and \$6 to \$7 per ton.

COUNTRY WHEAT.—The average price for farmers at country points is about 72c per bushel.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes are offering very freely. We quote: Potatoes, 25 to 30c per bushel; parsnips, 15c to 20c per bushel; turnips, 20c per bushel; lettuce, 20c per dozen bunches; native tomatoes, per lb., 2 1/2 to 3c; cauliflower, 10c per dozen; the previous week and 15c per dozen bunches; dried onions, 10c to 14c per bushel; parsnips, 1c per bushel; turnips, 10c per bushel; 10c to 12c per bushel; h Hubbard squash, 15c to 2c; vegetable marrow, 50c dozen; cauliflower, 10c per bushel. The market is a good demand for turkeys and the season for fat turkeys has not yet begun. Stocks were inadequate and many shabby birds were marketed. A high price of 25c per pound retail was paid for turkeys in the city. Prices are now back to a normal level. Spring chickens are worth 40 to 60c per pair, alive; foot, 60 to 70c; ducks, 1c per pound; turkeys, 10 to 11c, live weight.

CHEESE—Very light offering. From 15 to 35c per pair is being paid for ducks.

BUTTER—Creamery: There is not very much doing in creamery butter and the market is quiet. Dealers are paying 18c per pound f.o.b. factory points.

BUTTER—Dairy—Receipts are light and there is not much to say about the market. Common country butter are paying 12 to 14c for country to find a market on a business basis here, in pails or bricks.

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HIDES—The market is unsettled. At Chicago prices are now down to the 67c to 70c range. The market is 67c to 70c for 1/2c. Here competition is so strong that some are again quoting 67c to 70c for 1/2c. The market quotation is still, however, 69c for No. 3, California No. 2 and 4 1/2c for No. 1. The market for cow hides, Horse hides is up to \$1 each. The market for wool coming in from the West is 10c to 11c per pound about 6 1/2c for Manitoba. HOGS—The market is now 2 1/2c per pound delivered here and No. 2 SENECA—A moderate quantity of rice is coming forward. Several good

sized lots have been bought here this week on a basis of 30c per pound for best grade. Production is not increasing, and dealers predict a sharp decline in prices as soon as the Freezey comes, which may be expected in about three weeks.

**LIVE STOCK.**

**CATTLE**—Exporters are moving freely both east and south. Quite a number of cattle are going out via the Great West export route, and prices are 4c per pound, point of shipment, and prices range from 3½ to 4c. Butchers' cattle are steady at 3 to 3½. Stockers are moving to the ranges from Eastern Canada, but there is nothing doing in Manitoba stockers. Farmers are too busy to look after this business. The abundance of feed now available will undoubtedly make farmers less willing to sell their young cattle this season.

**HOGS**—Receipts are moderate and the market steady at 3½c per pound off cars here. Lambs are lower at 4½ to 4½c here.

**SHEEP**—Live hogs seem to be very scarce and there are not nearly enough coming in to supply the local demand. The market is firmer at 6½c. Demand for cull weights, and lambs high as 7c is named by some. Heavy and underweight hogs are ¼ to ½c less than this market.

**MILCH COWS**—Cows are scarce. Good milkers readily bring \$45 in this market, the range being from \$35 to \$45 each.

**HORSES**—Horses are scarce and the best prices which have prevailed for the past two years continue.

**Minneapolis Markets.**

Flour—First patent, \$3.65 to \$3.80; second, \$3.45 to \$3.65, in sacks.  
 Millstuffs—Bran, bulk, \$12 to \$12.25.  
 Yellow—\$2.70 to \$2.80 to \$2.90; do. white, \$2.70 to \$2.80 per 100 lbs.  
 Corn—50 to 50½c for No. 3 yellow, 32 cents, as to grade.  
 Hay—Quoted \$35 to \$40.  
 Cattle—No. 1, quoted at \$1.19 to \$1.19½ per bushel.  
 Hay—Timothy, \$10 to \$12 per ton; prairie, \$10 to \$11 per ton, as to quality.  
 Butter—Creamery, good to choice, 21 to 22½c; seconds, 17c; dairy, good to choice, 17 to 20c; seconds, 15c per pound.  
 Cheese—Fancy, 11½ to 12c; choice, 10½ to 11c; under, 9 to 10½c.  
 Eggs—Strictly fresh, case included, 10c per dozen.  
 Live Poultry—Turkeys, 6c; geese, 4 to 7c; spring chickens, 9½c.  
 Dressed Meats—Hogs, 8½c for light, 8½c for medium, 8c for heavy; veal, 8 to 9c; mutton, 6½ to 7½c; lamb, 8 to 9c.  
 Vegetables—Car lots potatoes, new, 24 to 28c.  
 Beans—Hand picked, \$1.50 to \$1.80 per bushel.  
 Fruit—Apples, 12 to \$3.75 per barrel; lemons, \$2.75 to \$4.25; oranges, \$4.75 to \$5; bananas, \$1.75 to \$2 per bunch.  
 Hides and Pelts—Green salted horse steers, over 60 pounds, No. 1, 3½c; No. 2, 3½c; cows, over 50 pounds, 7½ to 8½c; light hides, 7½ to 8½c; veal calf, No. 1, 10½c; No. 2, 8c.  
 Wool—Unwashed, fine, 11 to 12c; medium, 12 to 13c; coarse, 12½ to 13½c.  
 Tallow—Cake, 5½ to 6½c.

**Prices a Year Ago.**

Following were Winnipeg prices this date last year:  
 Wheat—1 and 1 and what closed 79½c in store Fort William.  
 Flour—Selling price per sack: Patent, 32; best bakery, 31c.  
 Millstuffs—Bran, 31c per ton; shorts, 24 per ton; middling, 24 to 25c; barley—Malt, 38c to 40c; feed, 28c to 30c.  
 Oats—Carlots on track, 30 to 32c per bushel.  
 Butter—Dairy, 14½c per pound, commission basis for best grades; creamery, 14½c for best grades at the factories.  
 Cheese—New, 4½c per lb. net.  
 Eggs—1c per doz.  
 Potatoes—New, 56¢ per bushel.  
 Dressed Meats—Beef, 9½c for city dress; country, 10c under these figures; veal, 6½c; mutton, fresh, 10c; hogs, 9½c.  
 Poultry—Dressed chickens, 11c per lb.; ducks, 10c per lb.; geese, 15½c.  
 Hides—No. 1, 11½c; No. 2, 10c.  
 Wool—Nominal.  
 Beans—Hand—5c per lb.  
 Dressed Hides—\$5.00 per lb.  
 Saled Hides—\$5.00 per lb. on tarr.  
 Live Stock—Cattle, 3½c; stockers, yearlings, 14½c per head; sheep, 4c; hogs, 6½c, packers' price.

The option market at the Winnipeg stock exchange will be opened on Monday.

**British Columbia**  
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**British Columbia Business Review.**

Vancouver, Oct. 15.  
 Fine weather has proved of great benefit to the retail trade in British Columbia for the past month. Trade generally has been being up to the average. In provisions the market has advanced in sympathy with our neighbor. Butter prices are quoted for butter, cheese, and cream. Creamery butter has advanced 5 cents, local, 4 to 5c, and advanced 5 cents, eggs 2½c, and the prices are buoyant. In the fruit market pears from local orchards are sold freely and as low as 50 cents a box. Pums are about over for the season, and owing to the rot have not been a success. Other fruit is higher. It is claimed that this is shortage in the vegetable crop, and that higher prices will prevail. Real estate is very active. Brokers report a heavier business in September than any month in the history of Vancouver, and state that October promises to be larger. The sales are of business blocks, farm lands and residences for the most part. There is also work through during the month than on any previous month in the year. The amount of the interests of the carriers placed a large sum of money in the bank. One cheque alone given by Amelius Jarvis, for payment on this account amounted to \$1,500.00, and this sum has been mostly reinvested by the carriers in mortgages and real estate. A large amount of outside capital is also being invested in business blocks. This money comes from the United States and is being invested in the widespread faith in the future of the province.

**Prices at Vancouver.**

Special to The Commercial.  
 Oil cake has declined 10c, Oct. 15. Local has advanced 5c. Fresh local eggs is 4c higher.  
 FLOUR—National Mills cheap, 27 per ton; bran, 22; shorts, 27; oil cake, 28; per ton f.o.b. Vancouver, including duty and transportation.  
 WHEAT—Local wheat, 23 per ton; Oregon wheat, 23 per ton.  
 OATS—23 per ton.  
 FLOUR—Molina patent, per barrel, 4.75; strong bakers', 4.45; Enderby patent, 4.70.  
 HAY—Prairie River Valley, new 22; straw per bale, 66¢.  
 MEAL—Rolled oats, 80¢ sack, 3.00; 100 lb. 2.50; 25½c; 22½c; 20c; oatmeal in 100 lb. sacks, per 100lb., 3.50; in 50lb. sacks, 3.25 per 100lb.  
 LIVE STOCK—Steers, \$5.00 per 100lb; sheep, 4.75 per 100lb; hogs, 6.50 per 100lb.  
 POULTRY—No stocks.  
 DRESSED MEATS—Beef, 8c; mutton, 10½c; pork, 9½c; pig, 10½c.  
 CURED MEATS—Hams, 17c; bacon, 19½c; long corks, 14c.  
 LARD—Tins, 13½c; pails, 12½c; tubs, 12c.  
 BUTTER—Local creamery, 24¢; Manitoba dairy, new, 19½c.  
 EGGS—Fresh local, 4c; Manitoba, 25¢; Ontario, 25¢.  
 CHEESE—Ontario cheese, 13½c.  
 VEGETABLES—Potatoes, local 23 per ton; Ashcroft's, \$10.00 per ton; tomatoes, 10c per lb.  
 FISH—Flourders, 5c; smelts, 5c; sea bass, 6c; whiting, 5c; soles, 5c; halibut, 10c; salmon, 8c; cod, 6c per lb; crabs, 6c per dozen; smoked salmon, 10c; smoked halibut, 10c per lb.  
 GREEN FRUITS—Lemons, \$3.00 per 100; oranges, 2.50; grapes, 1.50; melons, 40¢; prunes, 50¢; nutmeg melons, 1.50; pears, 60¢ per 100; grapes, 1.50 per 100; pears, 60¢ per 100 for local; Oregon pears, 1.50.  
 SUGAR—Powdered, 10c and bar, 6c; Paris lump, 10c; granulated, 4½c; extra C, 3½c; yellow, 3½c per 100.  
 SYRUP—30 gal. barrels, 2½c lb; 19 gal. kegs, 2½c; 15 gal. tins, 2½c; 10 gal. tins, 2½c; 5 gal. tins, 2½c; 1½ gal. tins, 2½c.  
 HARDWARE—Bar iron, base, 3.00 cent; horse shoes, kegs, 35; nails, 19 per cent; pipe, cut 3.50, wire 3.50; rope, Manila, 1.50; white lead, 2.50; putty, 3.50; barbed wire, 2.50; 100 lb; glass, first break, 15c per 100 feet.

**B. C. Business Notes.**  
 A big saw mill is to be built on Trout Lake by a United States company.  
 The fruit growers of Nelson and vicinity have decided to form an association.  
 Geo. Miller has sold his jewelry business at Midway, A. Logan and will move to California.  
 J. A. Cameron has sold his hotel business at Fish Creek to M. McColton and will move to Colorado.  
 The Vancouver Carpet Company, a new company which is entering the manufacturing field at Vancouver, has its new factory about ready for occupation. It will employ between forty and fifty men and will be devoted to the manufacture of undertaker's supplies.

Five hundred tons of salted dog salmon will be shipped from Vancouver to Japan on the steamship Tartar, which is now in port and scheduled to depart for the Orient on October 20. This is a new industry on the coast which is almost entirely in the hands of the Japanese.  
 During the season from May 1 to Oct. 15, 25,000 tons of merchandise were shipped from Vancouver to Dawson. There was shipped from British Columbia more goods than from all other ports on the Pacific combined. Of the total amount shipped from Vancouver, 15,342 tons were carried in Canadian vessels.  
 The steamer Venture is a total loss on Tugwell Island, according to private dispatch from Port Simpson, N. P. Shaw & Co., Victoria, are the owners. The Venture, which has been engaged in the cattle carrying trade to Alaska, was found down with 12,000 cases of salmon on board when she was lost.  
 Wm. J. Macaulay, one of the principal shareholders in the Victoria Lumbering and Manufacturing Company, of Chemainus, died last week at his residence in Victoria. Deceased has been prominent in the Pacific

coast lumber trade for years, and was formerly in the same line in Orilla, Ontario. He also lived for a few years in Manitoba. He left a wife and two children.

J. W. McIntosh, of Vancouver, who was commissioned by the British Columbia government to survey a new route for a road into the Bulkley Valley country, has succeeded in doing so, whereby many miles will be saved, besides fully half the present cost which settlers have to pay for transporting themselves and effects. The new route is from Killoe Inlet, at the head of Gardner channel, and through an easy pass in the Coast Mountains.

The annual meeting of the board of trade of Siccan was held on the 6th inst. The secretary's report showed 38 new members added during the year. The expenses have all been met out of current revenue and a balance left on hand. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, A. York; vice-president, Dr. Forin; secretary, C. E. Smith; executive committee, T. McNeil, J. G. McCallum, A. C. Smith, T. Mulvey, W. H. Warden, W. T. Shatford and J. A. Anderson.

**Tenders.**

Tenders will be received until Oct. 25, for the erection of a school house on the southwest corner of S.W. 4 of 15, E. 2 St., Ft. P. Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of Walter Chesterton, Architect, Winnipeg.

Sealed tenders, addressed to the chairman, fire, water and light committee, Winnipeg, for the supply of materials for the Fire Department, will be received up to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, October 27. The supplies required are as follows: 1,000 feet, 2½ inch cotton rubber-lined hose, with couplings complete, 44 firemen's rubber coats or drill double coat, with automatic buckles and long skirt pockets with flaps; 44 pairs firemen's rubber boots, 44 cloth caps, 88 pairs woolen mitts.

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**MONTREAL. WINNIPEG.**

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—The market for Dec. wheat opened at 71½c, ranged from 70½ to 71½c, and closed at 70½c.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—Closing prices for wheat were: Dec. 70 3/4; May, 72 1/2; Corn, Dec. 69 1/2; May, 71 1/2; Oats, Dec. 31 1/2; May, 31 1/2; Pork, Oct. 31 1/2; Lard, Oct. 31 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; May, 87 1/2; Rice, Oct. 31 1/2; May, 31 1/2.

Chicago, Oct. 13.—Closing prices for wheat were: Dec. 70 3/4; May, 72 1/2; Corn, Dec. 69 1/2; May, 71 1/2; Oats, Dec. 31 1/2; May, 31 1/2; Pork, Oct. 31 1/2; Lard, Oct. 31 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; May, 87 1/2; Rice, Oct. 31 1/2; May, 31 1/2.

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Chicago, Oct. 17.—Wheat, Dec. 72 1/2; May, 74 1/2; Corn, Dec. 70 1/2; May, 72 1/2; Oats, Dec. 31 1/2; May, 31 1/2; Pork, Oct. 31 1/2; Lard, Oct. 31 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; May, 87 1/2; Rice, Oct. 31 1/2; May, 31 1/2.

Chicago, Oct. 18.—Closing prices for wheat—Dec. 72 1/2; May, 74 1/2; Corn—Dec. 70 1/2; May, 72 1/2; Oats—Dec. 31 1/2; May, 31 1/2; Pork—Jan., 81 1/2; Lard—Jan., 81 1/2; Hogs—Jan., 81 1/2; Rice—Jan., 81 1/2.

A week ago December option closed at 70½c. A year ago December option closed at 70½c, two years ago at 74½c, three years ago at 69½c, and four years ago at 67½c.

New York Wheat.

New York, Oct. 13.—No market.

New York, Oct. 14.—Wheat closed at 70 1/2; May, 72 1/2.

New York, Oct. 15.—Closing wheat: Dec. 70 1/2; May, 72 1/2.

New York, Oct. 16.—Closing wheat: Dec. 70 1/2; May, 72 1/2.

New York, Oct. 17.—Wheat: Dec. 70 1/2; May, 72 1/2.

New York, Oct. 18.—Dec. 70 1/2; May, 72 1/2.

Minneapolis Wheat.

Minneapolis, Oct. 13.—Wheat opened at 86c for Dec., ranged from 85c to 86c, and closed at 86½c.

Minneapolis, Oct. 13.—Closing prices for wheat were: Dec. 86 1/2; May, 88 1/2; Oats, 28 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; Rice, 87 1/2.

Minneapolis, Oct. 14.—Closing prices for wheat: Dec. 86 1/2; May, 88 1/2; Oats, 28 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; Rice, 87 1/2.

Minneapolis, Oct. 15.—Closing prices for wheat: Dec. 86 1/2; May, 88 1/2; Oats, 28 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; Rice, 87 1/2.

Minneapolis, Oct. 16.—Closing prices for wheat: Dec. 86 1/2; May, 88 1/2; Oats, 28 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; Rice, 87 1/2.

Minneapolis, Oct. 17.—Closing prices for wheat: Dec. 86 1/2; May, 88 1/2; Oats, 28 1/2; Hogs, 87 1/2; Rice, 87 1/2.

Minneapolis, Oct. 18.—December wheat closed at 79½c, and May 72½c. Cash No. 1 hard closed at 73½c, No. 1 northern at 71½c, and No. 2 northern at 69½c.

Duluth Wheat.

Duluth, Oct. 13.—Closing prices for Dec. wheat was 85c.

Duluth, Oct. 14.—Closing prices for wheat: Dec. 85; May, 79 1/2; 1 hard 72; 1 northern, 70 1/2.

Duluth, Oct. 15.—Closing prices for wheat were: Dec. 85; May, 79 1/2; 1 hard, 72; 1 northern, 70 1/2; Oct. flux, 31 1/2.

Duluth, Oct. 16.—Closing wheat: Dec. 85; May, 79 1/2; 1 hard 72 1/2; 1 northern 71; Oct. flux, 31 1/2.

Duluth, Oct. 17.—Wheat: Dec. 85; May, 79 1/2; 1 hard 72 1/2; 1 northern 71; Oct. flux, 31 1/2.

Duluth, Oct. 18.—December wheat closed at 76c, and May at 72½c. Cash No. 1 hard closed at 73½c, No. 1 northern at 72½c, and No. 2 northern at 70½c.

A week ago December option closed at 84c. A year ago December option closed at 69½c, two years ago at 77c, three years ago at 67½c, four years ago at 65½c.

Winnipeg Closing Wheat.

On the Winnipeg market No. 1 hard closed Saturday 87 1/2c, Oct. 70 and Nov. 71; No. 1 northern at 70 1/2c and No. 2 northern at 68 1/2c. First half Nov. crop, 1/2c under these figures.

Liverpool Wheat.

Liverpool closing prices: Dec. 56 1/2; March, 57 1/2; May, 58 1/2; Liverpool, Oct. 18.—Wheat closed 1/2c lower.

Development in Ontario.

Among the many excellent publications issued by the Dominion and provincial governments of Canada for the information of the people, the "Annals of Ontario," a book of literary, artistic and typographic merit, a book set just completed to the department of the land in Ontario. The plan on which it is prepared is comprehensive, and leaves no important phase of the province's history or resources untouched, while the information with which the book is filled is official and reliable. The facts are set forth, too, in easy, descriptive style, that makes reading almost as pleasant as novel. New books of any kind, and certainly none that could be classified as "immigration literature," have been better illustrated. The perfection of the half-tone process has made it possible to reproduce with marvellous fidelity pictures that under the systems of engraving, and even of lithography, were as expensive and not like as satisfactory. The "Annals of Ontario," every alternate page of "Ontario, Canada," are all very fine specimens of the art of the engraver. The illustrations, the book leaves nothing to be desired. It is printed on coated paper, and bears on evidence of the care and taste on the part of printer and publisher.

The book opens with a general historical and geographical survey. The history of the development of the Dominion were laid at the time when the southern half of the North American continent was still free from British rule. In 1734, 10,000 of the U. E. Loyalists, who were attracted to the province by the mother land, migrated from New York, Pennsylvania and the New England States, and settled on the shores of Lake Ontario and the Niagara Peninsula. The first settlers were being Dutch, German and Huguenot, as well as British stock. Some were farmers but many of them consisted of discharged officers and men who had served in the British in the Revolutionary War, and were unaccustomed to pioneer life. They began to clear the land, to sell the cleared stumps of the primeval forest. When the war of 1812 broke out the population had increased to practically nothing to 80,000, all of whom, with the exception of a few hundred, were engaged in tilling the land. The principal articles exported from the farms were oak and pine timber, and potash distilled from wood ashes. "The silliness of urban improvements is evidenced by the fact that to maintain the life of five to six in the province with a population exceeding 100,000, it was necessary to import 2,000, and Kingston 3,087. At that time the province could boast of one mill per capita." The year of 1837, that saw the foundation of the province, increased to 307,500. Then followed an influx of immigrants, and in the next ten years, from '80 to '82, rushed in to Western Canada. This influx of immigrants, and the introduction of diverse causes, the most noticeable, perhaps, being the Irish potato famine in 1845.

Today Ontario has a population of about 2,500,000. Its primary sources of wealth are its forests, its fisheries, its factories and mines. Agriculture is still by the farms of the province, Ontario, representing 600,000,000 of invested capital, and an annual production of over 100,000,000. Those who fondly imagine that Ontario is too well settled to have vacant lands, will be surprised to find that only twenty per cent of its area is yet settled, over 80 per cent being still in the hands of the crown. There are still 100,000 square miles unsurveyed, and a development of this portion is almost unexplored. The province is 750 miles from north to south, and 400 miles from east to west. Its Northern point is James Bay, Hudson Bay, while its South point, further South than Boston of Chicago, is

reached by Lake Erie.

Regarding the capabilities of Northern, or New Ontario, which contains nearly 150,000 square miles, and has an area almost three times as great as Southern Ontario—little likelihood is there that the provincial Government organized a number of expeditions, who traversed the Manitoba border, and Northwest to the Hudson Bay. The result has been to demonstrate that the value of the country, especially as regards its resources, is far greater than had been supposed. That the Northern country contained great mineral wealth, that the great mineral wealth, had previously been admitted, but the astounding fact was not looked for by many that an agricultural region of great fertility, with an acreage greater than that of the whole of Ontario at present under crop, extended from Lake Temiskaming on the east almost entirely across the province to the west, which lies between the 46th and 50th parallels. Has been given the name of "The Great Clay Belt." Almost the whole of this region, which contains 24,000 square miles, or 10,000,000 acres, is available for cultivation, and could with ease support a million people. The water in this region is watered by no less than seven large rivers of over 300 miles in length, flowing northward to the sea. Nor is the climate any obstacle to successful settlement, for it is in the same latitude as the Southern States of America.

Ontario is gradually realizing the importance of the discovery of this new and rich territory. One of its first steps has been the stimulating of railway activity. Afterward, of the gradual setting of the country, and the development of its natural resources. At present the region is unaccessible, but the number of railroads to be constructed is so apparent that it will not long remain so.

A most interesting chapter is devoted to the attractions offered by Ontario to the tourist and sportsman. The world famed Niagara, the majestic falls, the world famous and ever changing lake vistas of the Thousand Islands and the islands of Georgian Bay, the world famous moose and caribou hunting north of Lake Temiskaming—all receive some attention. The chapter on the government and education is one of the most interesting in the book, and gives a very complete description of the powers of the provincial government, the provincial legislature, and of the provincial common and higher education.

The chapter on the rail and waterway transportation. One of the former Ontario has nearly 8,000 miles. The province is rapidly extending rural systems of electric cars is mentioned, and the province's unrivalled inland waterway, the St. Lawrence, Ottawa, and the Great Lakes, with their improvements and possibilities, is dealt with. As in bettling the industry of paramount importance, the chapter devoted to agriculture in character by it deals not only with the products of the field, but of those of the orchard and dairy and stock industries, such as canning and cheese factories, directly dependent thereupon. The industry of the province in the direction of agriculture, in the shape of exhibitions, colleges and experimental stations, and the various co-operative institutions organized by the farmers, are referred to with some degree of fulness.

The most informative part of "Ontario, Canada," is the section dealing with the mineral resources of the province. That these are widely spread and of various kinds, is well known, but the variety and the abundance of the minerals in the province, and the minerals to be found in the premier province, when listed and localized, would astonish every one who fancied himself fairly familiar with the older province. Iron, copper, lead, silver, and zinc are the principal minerals of the most extensive deposits in the world—petroleum, corundum, graphite, and asphaltum resources of the sister province has in its soil. Some interesting statistics respecting the extent of a development of such of these sources of wealth are given. From the section devoted to manufactures, the following concerning the young province of Ontario: "The enterprises will be of interest. This series of industries has its beginning

about five years ago in the harnessing of the rapids at the Sault, to which the drop in the level between Lakes Superior and Lake Huron, is its application to the production of electrical energy. By this means heat and power are obtained without the employment of coal or any other fuel. At first 200,000 horsepower was developed in a portion of which is used in supplying power to the saw mills for the production of mechanical wood pulp from the spruce and fir trees, which grow in the adjacent forest. Forty thousand additional horsepower will soon be available in supplying power to the saw mills. The daily output of these mills is 150 tons of dry pulp, in the making of which 300 cords of spruce are consumed. This product is used chiefly in the making of paper, and the output, valued at \$1,000,000 a year, is being shipped to Japan, Australia, France, England and the United States. A large and handsome mill for the manufacture of sulphite pulp, a more valuable article than mechanical pulp, is now being constructed. In the manufacture of chemical pulp, sulphur is required, and for its production a nickel and steel mill in the country are also being utilized. Sulphur is being obtained from the sulphur of nickel and steel. This is found in the district. The nickel is incidentally given rise to the development of a nickel property, and the production of nickel sulphate of treating 500 tons of ore daily. In this connection blast furnaces employed in the production of nickel have been erected from the production of ferro-nickel pig, which is afterwards refined into nickel steel. For the separation of the copper from the nickel, sodium is necessary. In order to produce a nickel steel, a blast furnace has been erected, where Ontario salt is converted into sodium and chloride. Another blast furnace, for the manufacture of bleaching powder.

But the story of development does not end here. Even the production of iron and steel, and the conversion into manufactured articles, the record of the province is even more remarkable. Near Michipicoten Harbor, on the north shore of Lake Superior, very extensive deposits of iron have been discovered by the Canadian government. Operations in the Helen mines began in the spring of 1900, and by the following year the first shipment of iron ore was being shipped daily to the blast furnaces at Midland. The ore is a rich hematite, and is estimated to contain this property alone there are 30,000,000 tons of ore in sight. A fleet of eight steamers, each of 10,000 tons, is now engaged in transporting the ore.

The iron mines are all these enterprises, they are likely to be overshadowed by the iron and steel industries of which the Sault is to become the centre. Huge blast furnaces for the production of Bessemer steel, armor plate and rail works, and the manufacture of structural steel, are projected, and will give employment to thousands of men. The construction of a steel mill, and the production of iron, and railway cars from timber obtained in its own limits. All these enterprises are being carried out by the Ontario industries owned by the concern will be manufactured at its own foundry, and the steel mill. It has been seen that this huge enterprise will be one of the most independent as well as the largest, on the American continent.

The concluding chapters of "Ontario, Canada," are devoted to the fisheries and its forest wealth. Both these important sources of wealth are rapidly being cleared up. The chapter on "How to Secure Land," giving the necessary particulars to application, prices and regulations, is given at the end of the book, which altogether worthily represents the great province concerning which it aims to give information. A man who was "wanted" in Russia had his name and address, and his positions, and the pictures were duly circulated among the police department. The man who wrote to headquarters a few days after the issue of the set of portraits was given at the end of the portrait "of the six miscreants whose capture is desired. I have arranged to purchase one of the portraits under observation and will be secured shortly."



**STATISTICAL WHEAT REPORT.**

**WHEAT IN CANADA.**

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

Montreal	117,000
Toronto	21,000
Hamilton	35,000
Oshawa	100,000
Kingston	30,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	1,254,000
Winnipeg	2,000,000
Manitoba elevators	2,000,000

Total Oct. 5 ..... 2,876,000  
Total previous week ..... 2,740,000  
Total a year ago ..... 1,958,000

**BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS**

Total stocks in the United States and Canada east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's Oct. 6, were 41,477,000 bushels, as against 40,643,000 bushels the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 31,500,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on Oct. 6 were 1,582,000 bushels.

**THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.**

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ending Oct. 6, was 35,424,000 bushels, being an increase of 487,000 bushels, being 15,000 bushels two years ago, 69,870 bushels, three years ago, 47,310,000 bushels, four years ago, 11,260,000 bushels, five years ago, 3,500,000 bushels.

**STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.**

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 8,330,000 bushels, compared with 7,500,000 bushels the previous week. The visible supply of corn is 2,641,000 bushels, compared with 12,110,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

**WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.**

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe, and that for Europe Oct. 1, is, each year for a series of years, are as follows: Bradstreet's report:

1902	109,000,000
1901	109,000,000
1900	109,000,000
1899	109,000,000
1898	109,000,000
1897	109,000,000
1896	109,000,000
1895	109,000,000
1894	109,000,000
1893	109,000,000
1892	109,000,000

**WHEAT MOVEMENT.**

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1902, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

This Crop. Last Crop.	
Minneapolis	16,921,890 23,277,546
Millwaukee	2,022,497 2,288,609
Duluth	1,406,842 1,529,617
Chicago	15,130,210 17,478,971
Total	47,504,117 56,522,151

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1902, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

This Crop. Last Crop.	
Toledo	5,277,212 4,877,725
St. Louis	17,054,523 14,627,148
Detroit	1,406,842 1,529,617
Kansas City	13,286,800 12,044,900
Total	30,967,381 30,048,415

**GRAIN STOCKS AT LAKE PORTS.**

**Fort William.**  
Stocks of grain in C. P. R. elevators at Fort William on Monday, Oct. 13, was as follows:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 788,056 bushels; No. 2 northern, 286,365 bushels; No. 2 northern, 69,955 bushels; No. 3 northern, 47,818 bushels; other grades, 15,420 bushels, making a total of about 1,307,118 bushels.

Oats—No. 1 white, 38,700 bushels.

Rye—None.

Receipts of white at Fort William during the week amounted to 148,888 bushels and shipments to 139,750 bushels. There were 3,334 bushels of oats received and shipments of oats were 4,886 bushels.

**Port Arthur.**

Stocks in store at King's elevator, Port Arthur, on Oct. 13, were:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 59,875 bushels; No. 2 northern, 286,365 bushels; No. 2 northern, 281 bushels; other grades, 46,388 bushels; total, 124,848 bushels.

Oats—Mixed, 16,314 bushels.

Barley—None.

Receipts of wheat were 86,508 bushels, and shipments, 5,645 bushels.

**Stocks of grain in store at the Canadian Northern elevator at Port Arthur on Oct. 13, was as follows:**

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 224,696 bushels; No. 1 northern, 197,508 bushels; No. 2 northern, 57,247 bushels; No. 3 northern, 2,579 bushels; No. 4, 2,000 bushels; making a total of 490,931 bushels.

Oats—Total, 3,274 bushels.

Receipts of wheat for the week, 408,757 bushels; shipped during the week, 267,881 bushels.

**Manitoba Wheat Stocks.**

There were 1,932,075 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William and Fort Arthur on Oct. 13. A year ago there were 1,789,509 bushels, and two years ago, 872,619 bushels. Stocks in store at Fort William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior points are estimated approximately at 2,447,000 bushels compared with 2,444,000 a year ago; 2,355,000 bushels two years ago; 5,500,000 bushels three years ago, and 2,600,000 bushels four years ago.

**Winnipeg Grain Inspection.**

During the week ending Oct. 14 there were inspected at Winnipeg 21,179 cars of grain, comprising the following:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 1,292 cars; No. 1 soft, 573 cars; No. 2 northern, 153 cars; No. 3 northern, 15 cars; No. 4, 17 cars; rejected, No. 1, 25 cars, 2 rejected, No. 2 cars; no grade, 2 cars; feed, 8 cars, making a total of 2,065 cars.

Oats—Extra, No. 1, 4 cars; No. 1 white, 31 cars; No. 2 white, 9 cars; 2 mixed, 4 cars; feed, 1 car; total, 49 cars.

Barley—No. 3, 3 cars; feed, 2 cars; total, 5 cars.

For the previous week the returns included 2,355 cars.

The foregoing figures bring the total inspections of wheat since the first of September, the beginning of the crop year, up to 8,485 cars.

For the same period last year the total for the week was 1,391 cars, and two years ago 285 cars.

**Grain and Milling Notes.**

The flour mill at Oak Bank, eight miles east of Winnipeg, is nearing completion and will shortly be in operation.

Official returns of the French minister of agriculture place the wheat crop of France for the year 1902 at 353,000,000 bushels.

The London Times has issued a report on British crops, making wheat 92.8, highest condition in three years; oats, 90.7, the highest in four years.

The new elevator under construction by the Winnipeg Elevator Company at Selkirk, Man., was to be ready to receive wheat this week. It will have a storage capacity of 200,000 bushels.

Mooseman wants a flour mill and the local council is willing to enter into negotiations with any reliable person who would establish there. There is not a mill within twenty miles of the town.

The report comes from Ottawa that a large flour mill and oatmeal mill will be erected at Fort Frances. Senator Muldon, who is interested in the water power at Fort Frances, is said to be connected with the proposed milling industry.

H. E. Partridge, manager of the new car service and freight inspection bureau at Winnipeg, corrects the impression that his office has to do with distributions of grain in jurisdiction. Car service and freight inspection are the duties to which it will devote itself.

F. W. Thompson, managing director of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., is forwarding to the Princess of Wales a beautiful set of flour from Ogilvie mill at Winnipeg. It is worked in silk on bolt 38 cotton, which is largely used in the manufacture of fine and is a product of the needles of the waver of Manitoba farmers. Mr. Thompson is an inviter to be present at a banquet, which is to be held at Whitehall rooms, Hotel Metropole, London, Nov. 10, by the Royal Warranted Flour Association by special sanction of the King, in honor of His Majesty's birthday.

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Glass May Be Higher.

That there is good reason for expecting higher prices for window glass in Canada before long is shown by the following extract from a letter just received from Charleroi, the centre of the Belgian glass making industry. The date of the letter is Oct. 2: "The situation is more unsettled than it has ever been before. As you are aware, the glass cutters and packers are asked for 15 per cent. advance in their wages. This being of little importance the manufacturers granted it, but yesterday, on the first of the month, the glass-blowers as well as the gatherers and other workmen asked for the same concession, and they would leave on the first of November next if the managers did not give them satisfaction. We do not really know what is going to occur, as this advance in price means a very large difference for the manufacturers, and we do not believe that, considering the high costs of production that are ruling since several months at the glass works, the manufacturers will be able to see their way to make this too important an advance. We feel inclined to think that before long we will again have to strike, as the workmen are really too excited."

Negotiations have been completed for the development of extensive water power from the Koochiching falls at Fort Frances.

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Toronto, Oct. 18.

**Dry Goods**—Good sorting demand. Values are firm. Flax wool imported goods would now cost ten to fifteen per cent. over first purchases. Cotton staples are firm.

**Groceries**—Good movement. Prices of tomatoes are withdrawn; holders are very firm. Cheapest grades of domestic pickles have advanced 25c per dozen, and in better grades owing to shortage of cucumber crop. Shelled walnuts are higher at 25 to 30 cents. Cashews, 10 to 12c. The former, \$1.00 strong. Sugars, unchanged.

**Hardware**—Fall goods are active. Barb wire at Cleveland reduced 10c. Spring shipments. Pig iron is scarce. Fig tin is firmer. Turpentine is low. Linnseed oils are 2c lower.

## Toronto Grain and Produce.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 18.

Ontario grades of wheat are in demand for export via New York, and are 1½c higher than a week ago. Manitoba wheat is 2½c higher than a week ago. Dealers say that 1 northern may advance soon to the level of hard red. Manitoba grades of flour are steady. Mixed is easier. Oats are firmer on short demand. In better grades of butter are still getting the best demand. There is demand at previous prices. No large lots are offered.

Wheat—90½ to 91½c for new, red and white; medium, 89½ to 90½c; spring wheat 85c east. Manitoba wheat for No. 1 hard, 81½c for No. 1 northern, and 78½c for No. 2 northern, grinding in transit.

Oats—No. 2, white, Ontario, 31c east, and 20c middle; red, 29c.

Barley—New, No. 3 extra is quoted at 43c, and No. 3 at 38½c, east or middle freights.

Flour—90c per cent. Ontario patents, 82½c, in buyers' market, middle freights. Choice brands are selling at 81c to 82c higher. Manitoba flour is easier at \$4 to \$4.10 for 100 lbs. Hungarian patents, \$4.10 to \$4.20 for Glenora in car and \$3.70 to \$3.80 per ton, on track. Toronto shorts, \$1.00 per cwt. on track, and \$1.05 for bran, middle freights. Manitoba feed, \$2.01 for cars of shorts and \$1.0 for bran, middle freights.

Oatmeal—\$1.00 for cars of bags, and \$1.15 in wood for carlots, Toronto.

Hay—Carlots, 20c, 40c per ton for No. 1 timothy.

Butter—Case lots, new laid, 17 to 18c per dozen, seconds, 16 to 17c.

Cheese—Dairy, pound loaves 10 to 17c; tubs and pairs, 15 to 16c; medium, 12½ to 14c; creamery, tubs, choice, 18 to 19c; prints, 19 to 20c.

Chickens—11½ to 12½c for job lots.

Hides—8c for No. 1 green cows, No. 1 steers, 8c; calskins, 10c for No. 1 and 10c for No. 2, lambskins, 5½c each, tallow, 4½ to 7c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 11c; unwashed, 7c.

Beans—\$2 to \$2.25 per bushel for job lots of hand picked, and \$1.75 to \$2 for unpicked.

Dried Apples—Evaporated 6½ to 7c.

Maple Syrup—\$1 per imperial gallon, in bulk or gross, 10c per pound.

Honey—85 to 8½c per pound in bulk, in frames, \$1.00 to \$1.75.

Poultry—Spring chickens, dressed, 10 to 80c per pair; ducks, 10 to 80c; turkeys, 11 to 12c for young birds.

Potatoes—Cars, 70 to 75c per bag.

## Montreal Grain and Produce.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 18.

Oats have advanced 5c since a week ago. The flour market is unquieted and one brand is being cut 10c per bushel. Rolled oats are firmer. Mixed is \$1 to \$2 per ton lower. Baled hay is 50c dearer. Cheese is 2½c dearer. Eggs are 1c dearer. Flour is 1½c dearer. Dressed hogs are 1½c lower. Potatoes are easier.

Wheat—Red and white winter, 73c afloat.

Barley—No. 3, 31c; No. 2, white, ex store, 32c.

Flour—Manitoba patent, 4½; Manitoba strong bakers, 33.20; straight rollers, 33.50 to 34c; winter patents, 33.75 to 34c.

Roller Oats—\$4.25 per barrel, and \$2.15 for bags.

Feed—Manitoba bran, bags included, \$14.50 to \$16; shorts, \$18 to \$20 per ton.

Baled Hay—No. 2, 48 to \$2.75 per ton.

Chickens—10½ to 11½c per pair.

Butter—Creamery, 20 to 20½c; fresh dairies, 13½ to 16c; good, 14 to 14½c.

Eggs—Fresh case goods, candled, 17½ to 18c per dozen; seconds, 14 to 15c.

Maple Syrup—20 to 80c for large size, sugar, 7 to 8c for good.

Honey—Clover, comb, in large sections, 11 to 11½c.

Poultry—Turkey, 12 to 13c; chickens, 5 to 10c; ducks, 10 to 14c; geese, 5c; 5c; 5c.

Hogs—Dressed, \$9 to \$9.25 for best weights of abattoir stock.

Potatoes—Carlots, 60c per bag.

## Montreal Live Stock.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 14.

At the East End abattoir on Monday receipts were 600 cattle and 800 sheep and lambs.

The tone of the market for all good cattle was firm, owing to the fact that the supply of such is limited, but common stock was plentiful and as the demand for such was slow prices were easier. Steers sold at 4½ to 4¾c; fairly good at 3½c to 4c; fair at 3c to 3½c, and 2½c to 3c per lb. An active trade was done in sheep and lambs. Sheep sold at 10 to 12c, and lambs at 10 to 4c per lb. The demand for calves was fair at prices ranging from 33 to 35c. There is a steady demand for the recent weakness in the Toronto market for live hogs a weaker feeling prevailed, and the active price was fully ½c per lb. lower than on last Monday, with sales of good to choice at 10 to 6c, weighed off cars.

## THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, Oct. 17.

Thursday being Thanksgiving Day there was no cattle market at Montreal.

## Toronto Live Stock Market.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 15.

Receipts at the stock market yesterday included 75 loads, 1,274 cattle, 1,265 sheep and lambs and 400 hogs. Export cattle—One load sold at \$5.40 per cwt., and others brought 50c less, but these were the best at the run of the market sold at \$1.80 to \$1.95. Medium grades, including the rougher stocks and the light weights, were sold at \$1.25 to \$1.80.

Butchers' Cattle—The bulk of the offerings consisted of rough, half-finished animals, which went begging for buyers. There was a good demand for choice heifers, but few were available. Prices show no change from those of last week's close.

Sheep and Lambs—Prices are no higher, and the best that can be sold on the market is that it is steady. Lambs are 10c per cwt higher at \$3.50 to \$3.85, but dealers say that the figures will be lowered again in the near future.

Hogs—Another decline of 12½c per cwt. is to be noted and the prices are now \$1.25 for selects and 80c for lights and fats. The run was moderate.

## FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, Oct. 18.

Receipts at the stock market yesterday were 51 cars, including 1,000 sheep and lambs, and 3,000 hogs.

Export cattle are slow on weak cablegrams. One choice load brought \$5.40, but the bulk sold at \$4.75 to \$5.75.

Butchers' cattle are light in receipt. Picked lots brought \$4.25 to \$4.75. Rough cattle are hard to sell. Export hogs are slow, and buyers and stockers are firmer for higher grades. Prices are unchanged. Lambs and lambs are slow, and steady at unchanged prices. Hogs are unchanged in spite of heavy offerings.

## Hogs and Hog Products.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 18.

The large demand is keeping stocks of hog products well reduced and prices are a firm farmers' lots of dressed hogs are selling at 85c to \$8.25, a reduction of ¼ to ½c from last week.

Hogs—Dressed, \$8 to \$8.25 per 100 pounds for farmers' loads.

Pork—Canada short cut, 24c; heavy mess, 22c.

Smoked and Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, 10c; sides and cases,

11c; hams, 14c; rolls, 12 to 12½c; shoulders, 11½c; backs, 15 to 16c; hocks, 15 to 16c; green meat out of pickle are quoted at 7c less than smoked.

Lard—Tallow, 10½c; tallow, 11c; and lard, 11½c.

## New York Money.

New York, Oct. 17.—Close. Prime mercantile paper, 6½c. Overhead, 6c. Exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$1.00 for 60 days; demand at \$1.00 for 60 days; posted rates, \$1.00 for 15 days and \$1.00 for 30 days; commercial, \$1.00 for 60 days; bar silver, 50.58; Mexican gold, 40; government bonds, 100; stocks, 100; gold, 100; road bonds firm. Money on call steady, actual transactions ranging from 50 per cent. out cash, 7, ruling rate, 12; closed offered at 5 per cent.

## Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Cattle prices: Steady; good to prime steers, \$7.25 to \$8.00; poor to medium, \$6.00 to \$7.00; cows and feeders, \$2.50 to \$3.00; Texas, \$1.00 to \$1.25; heifers, \$2.25 to \$2.50; calves, \$1.00 to \$1.25; bulls, \$1.00 to \$1.25; calves, \$1.00 to \$1.25; hogs—Average, \$4.00 to \$4.50; good and butchers, \$4.00 to \$4.50; western steers, \$3.75 to \$4.00; hogs—Average, \$4.00 to \$4.50; good and butchers, \$4.00 to \$4.50; good to choice heavy, \$7.00 to \$7.50; rough heavy, \$6.00 to \$6.50; bulk of sales, \$6.00 to \$7.00.

## British Live Stock Markets.

London, Oct. 12.—The supply of American cattle is limited, consequently the tone of the market was firmer and prices show an advance of ¼c. In choice selling at 14c. Canadian cattle were steady at 12½c, but medium were ½c lower on the instance, with choice selling at 14c. Canadian cattle were steady at 12½c, but medium were ½c lower on the instance, with choice selling at 14c. Canadian cattle were steady at 12½c, but medium were ½c lower on the instance, with choice selling at 14c.

## FRIDAY'S CABLE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 17.

Cattle sold steady at 11½ to 13c per pound, estimated dressed weight.

London Sugar Market.

Special to The Commercial.

London, Oct. 10.

October option quoted at 2½d higher or 74 3/4.

## Weather and Crop.

Continued fine weather has enabled farmers to get ahead rapidly with their threshing. The straw has been in good condition, and has been put through the machines at a rapid rate. This, with the large increase in the number of machines operating, is making quick work of threshing the immense crop. The work is now much further advanced than it was thought it could possibly be at this date. Stock threshing is about completed in many districts, and the grain now left to nearly all stacked in good condition. Many of the stacks have already been put through the machines at a rapid rate, and the favorable weather for the balance of the threshing season, the grain will all be yielded from the chaff after a good time.

## Late Western Business Items.

The partnership existing between S. Frank Peters and Edmund Bell, Winipeg architects, has been dissolved. The business will be carried on by Mr. Peters.

H. T. Malloy and A. Ferguson have formed a partnership at Brandon for the purpose of carrying on a brewery business. Building is now in course of erection for a first-class plant.

J. F. Fowler, chairman of the Winipeg school board, who is leaving with his family for a first-class business at Wetaskiwin, Alberta, was presented with a gold chain and locket by the school board.

There is a great demand for the proposed new Lake of the Woods mill, and the contractors from towns all over the country in regard to the matter, showing how peculiarly adapted is each place for such an industry.

Some cattle which strayed across the boundary from Montana into Alberta recently were seized by the Canadian customs authorities. The

Canadian Stock Growers' Association has protested against this seizure on the ground that cattle stray across the border from both sides of the line, and that the United States authorities are equally liable in Canadian ranchers if this seizure is upheld.

## Grain Needed in Europe.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The department of agriculture's summary of the crops of the world shows that, owing to the remarkable cool and wet summer experienced throughout a considerable part of Europe, the harvest of 1902 is one of the poorest on record. The promise of an abundant yield, therefore, can be only partly fulfilled in Europe, allowing for grain gathered in a damaged condition, and that that actually spoiled.

## MINING

## British Columbia.

The Le Roi mine's profits for August were \$70,480.

Operations have commenced at the new smelter at the Tyee mine, Lady-smith, B. C.

The weekly shipments of ore from Rossland to Vancouver are expected to 8,000 tons work, and are anticipated to shortly reach 10,000 tons.

The Cariboo McKinney mine is to declare a dividend next month of 2½c per cent. The company now has \$12,000 in the treasury.

The properties of the Payne Consolidated Company, Nelson, have purchased two claims adjoining the Payne property with a view to working them.

Boundary district ore shipments for the week ending Oct. 11 were 11,680 tons, made up as follows: Granby mines, 4,542 tons; Snowhove, 780 tons; Mother Lode, 4,544 tons; Sun-set, 560 tons; B. C., 750 tons; Emma, 510 tons.

A wire from Victoria on Wednesday said: "The blow-in of the smelter just established at the Tyee mine at this morning, everything passing off very successfully. The converter will probably be in operation in a few days, and then the first copper will be produced on Vancouver Island."

Last week's exports of cattle from Montreal totalled 4,295 head and of sheep 3,168 head.

Under the auspices of the Winnipeg trade council committee a building trade federation is being got into shape.

Owing to failure of the crops, Norway and Sweden are importing flour and cereals. Canada should share in this trade.

E. B. Loucka, who travels the main line west for Marshall, Wells & Co., returned a few days ago from a trip to the north, and is good in all his territory and orders are large.

Late advices from Denia on Valencia layer raising report the market to be very firm, but favorable weather there is a scarcity of fruit for export.

The Allan line steamship Ontario will continue in operation, and is auguring the direct steamship service between Canada and South Africa. The vessel will carry a cargo consisting of 45,000 pounds of lumber, butter, foder, flour, hides and manufactured goods, will go to Cape Town direct.

The Montreal cigarmakers' strike, which has been in progress for eighteen months, has been declared off, and the men are willing to work at the normal rate of a finish. The total number of hands originally on strike, the manufacturers state, amounted to 7,000.

Francis H. Clergue, of the Canadian Soo, has announced that plans have been completed for the installation of electricity direct from the big power plant he has just completed at the falls of Saugoy. The plan is to convey the current by means of cables carried on towers sixty feet high. Smaller cities along the route will be supplied.

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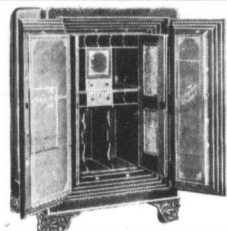
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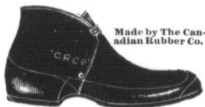
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A wire from Bridgeport, Conn., on Tuesday said: The oyster industry at this end of Long Island sound is tied up by the coal strike, the price of coal for the steamers being too high for their profitable operation.

An order-in-council has been passed at Ottawa placing on the free list bleached palm oil and shea butter, imported for use in Canadian manufacture. It is used for the manufacture of soap, and is a product of Africa.

The Knapp roller boat, about which so much was heard a few months ago, will roll no more; a propeller has been affixed to one end of the model and an orthodox bow at the other. She will now be engaged in the ordinary freight business.

A project is under discussion for holding a meeting of chambers of commerce of the empire in Montreal in August, 1903. It is also proposed that the delegates visit Manitoba and look over the grain fields after the meeting. Possibly we may not have reason to be very proud of our grain fields next year.



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earned in 1898. Net earnings were \$20,068,000, an increase of \$4,178,129. The balance carried available for dividends was \$12,947,232, as against \$9,212,944 earned during the previous fiscal year.

Three hundred and fifty acres of land will be occupied by the new rolling stock shops, to be located on the Pacific Railway in the East End, Montreal. When the works are completed there will be several hundred brick buildings on the site, and they will have an aggregate floor space of 150,000 feet. The buildings will be constructed before the end of the present year. The freight car shops will have capacity to turn out twenty-five to thirty cars a day, as well as repair one hundred cars, while if the locomotive shops are worked to their full capacity, 250 new engines a year will be turned out. In addition to this, 400 engines a year may receive repairs.

**F. A. JAMES.**

**New Superintendent of the C. N. R.**

It is announced this week that E. A. James, superintendent of transportation of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Winnipeg, will be named general superintendent of the Canadian Northern, succeeding D. H. Hanna in the latter position. It is understood that the latter gentleman will be transferred to Toronto, where he will become third vice-president and controller for the company, with headquarters at Montreal. The growth of the Canadian Northern Railway system has reached a stage that it is no doubt necessary to place a practical railway man, such as Mr. James, in charge. This is no doubt the reason for the removal of Mr. Hanna.

**Tenders.**

The school committee of the Winnipeg school board will call for tenders for furnishing 100 to 200 cords of jack pine and tamarac wood for the schools.

Tenders will be received up to 15th December next for 5,000 identities, town of Prince Albert, N. W. T., payable in 20 years at 4 1/2 per cent. F. H. Hinch, secretary-treasurer.

Sealed tenders will be received at Theo. Bertrand, St. Boniface, Man., for the construction of a sewer 500 feet in length, on the Broadway street west of St. Boniface college grounds, will be received until 5 p. m., October 20th inst.

**Insurance Notes.**

During the first six months of the year 1902, ending June 30, The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York paid to policy-holders, living in various parts of the world, the large sum of \$1,438,888,406 for death claims and matured endowments. This is an increase of \$439,814,198 over the corresponding period of last year.

The fire loss in the United States and Canada during September, as compiled by the N. Y. Journal of Commerce, was \$2,945,000, against \$2,422,550 in August, \$1,545,200 in September last year and \$9,119,200 in 1901. The total for the first nine months of 1902 is \$114,504,400, against \$120,645,250 last year and \$136,316,550 in 1900.

**Railway and Traffic Matters.**

It is announced that the Great Falls Canada road will be formally turned over to the Great Northern at midnight of Oct. 31.

In 1901 there was not, according to the official returns, one death of a passenger travelling on the railways in the United Kingdom, England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

In New Brunswick the report is received that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is about to purchase the Canada Eastern Railway, a line which connects with the Canadian Pacific Railway at Fredericton, N. B., and runs to Miramichi. It is not denied officially that the Canadian Pacific has been negotiating for control of the lower province road.

The Northern Pacific's pamphlet report covering the business of the fiscal year ended on June 30, is out, and shows an increase in gross earnings of \$8,820,400, as against \$8,187,580, an increase of \$632,819.44 earned during the previous fiscal year, and \$23,670,718

**Winnipeg's Fuel Supply.**

The fuel question was discussed by Winnipeg merchants last week. Some scare talk was indulged, partly to the scarcity of fuel in the city, and the suffering that might be caused by a sudden spell of cold weather. T. D. Robinson, a local fuel dealer, said there was no reason to be alarmed last week, with cold weather. It is true there is a light supply of fuel, and prices are a trifle higher, but however, is not so much in the scarcity of supplies as scarcity of cars to bring in fuel. Cars that are short at the mines in the west.

**Seed Houses Amalgamate.**

An important change has taken place in connection with the seed business of J. M. Perkins at Winnipeg. This business has been growing rapidly of late years and has now reached a stage where its owner feels that an eastern connection is necessary and the business has been merged with that of The Steele-Briggs Seed Company, of Toronto. Mr. Perkins transfers his business to that company in exchange for the seed business of Toronto. Mr. Perkins manages the western branch in conjunction with E. F. Crossland. The latter gentleman will take the business management and Mr. Perkins the practical end. The old premises on Market street will be retained for the meantime and the business will go on much the same as before. Future plans have yet to be discussed, but it is likely that at not very distant date a new warehouse with track facilities will be constructed. Mr. Crossland, the new business manager, will move to Winnipeg in a few weeks with his family. He has been seventeen years with the Steele-Briggs Company and is well known to the seed trade of the east.

**Coal Strike Settlement.**

The announcement was made on Thursday morning last that a basis of agreement for the settlement of the great anthracite coal strike had been reached. The following is the announcement of the previous Tuesday, that the operators had finally agreed to a proposition to submit the questions at issue to a commission. This latter announcement gave hope for an early settlement, and, in fact, though it was feared that the strike would not accept a commission as the basis for settlement, the proposition of the operators was for a commission, constituted as follows: 1. An officer of the engineering corps of either the military or naval service of the United States. 2. An expert mining engineer, experienced in the mining of coal and other mineral, and well versed in the use of coal-mining properties, either anthracite or bituminous. 3. One of the United States courts of the eastern district of Pennsylvania. 4. A man who by active participation in the coal business is familiar with the physical and commercial features of the business. 5. A man who by active participation in the coal business followed this announcement, in which the president of the United States has taken a personal interest. It is believed that he has all along been making every effort to bring the operators and miners

together. The commission, it is announced, is to consist of the following: Brigadier-General John M. Wilson, an officer in the engineering corps of the United States army; E. W. Farber, of the Geological Survey, expert mining engineer; Judge George W. DeLaware, Judge of the Court of Pennsylvania; Charles C. Cedar Rapids, Minn., chief of the Order of Railway Men; J. M. Johnston, geologist; Thomas H. Watkins, of Scranton, Pa., a man practically acquainted with the selling of coal; Bishop John K. Spaulding, of Peoria; Carroll D. Wright, recorder of the commission.

This commission above one name in addition to five proposed by the operators, namely, that of Bishop Spaulding. The commission was named by the president. It is understood mining operations will be resumed at once, pending the investigations of the commission.

This strike began on May 12 last, and has lasted over 150 days. About 100,000 men have been out of employment, and the cost in various ways has been enormous, being estimated at over \$20,000,000, including loss of earnings of railways, loss of business to merchants, damage to property, cost of troops and police, etc.

**Threshing Notes.**

It is estimated that seventy-five per cent of the threshing is completed in the Ontario Plains district of Manitoba.

Holland, Man., Oct. 13.—The stock threshing is nearly all done out of the country and is rushing with the beautiful weather we are having, and the machines, which have begun, will be nearly finished two weeks.

Rosewood, Man., Oct. 15.—Wheat here is of splendid quality and threshing is well advanced. The average yield will be about 30 bushels. Land in this district is rapidly increasing in value, and it is an advantage.

Dauphin, Man., Oct. 14.—This week will see most of the threshing through. The weather has been very favorable one. There has been no lack of machine men.

The commissioner of agriculture of the United States Territory has stated to the Winnipeg board of trade that he does not think any additional threshing will be needed to complete the work in that part of the West. He says that fine weather has greatly assisted operations, and the work is now well ahead. A large number of new machines have been started out of the country.

A report from Regina, Assa., says: Threshing is going on apace, but it will take months yet before it is completed. Wheat is just beginning to move freely, and is of a good sample. It was feared that there would be a good deal of frost wheat in the district but your correspondent learns from the grain buyers that there is very little such sample offered on the market as yet.

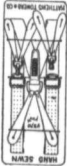
**Winnipeg Hardware and Price Lists.**

ANVILS—Per pound, 160 lbs. \$25; anvils and tools, each, \$94.44.  
 AUGERS—Post hole, 10 lbs., each, \$6.88.  
 BENCH—4 ft., 60 per cent; chopping axes, per dozen; \$6.99; double bit, \$10 \$12 per dozen.  
 BARS—Crow, \$5.50 per 100 lbs; BELLS—12 in., \$4.50; 14 in., \$4.85; 16 in., \$5.25; 18 in., \$5.60; 20 in., \$6.00.  
 BILLS—Agricultural, 65 per cent; No. 1, 90 per cent; extra, 50 per cent off.  
 BITS—Auger, American, 65 per cent; Jennings', 30 per cent; Gilmore's, 60 per cent.  
 BOLTS—Carriage, 50 per cent; coach screw, 65 per cent; iron, 60 per cent; plow, 50 per cent; sleigh shoe, 60 per cent; any way, 60 per cent.  
 BUILDING PAPER—Amber, plain, 90c; Ceylon and Jubilee, plain, 70c; chamois, 70c; Cyclone and Jubilee, 70c; any way, 70c.  
 BUTTS—Case, loose pin, common, 50 per cent; extra, 60 per cent.  
 CHAINS—Iron, 50 per cent; loose pin, 65 per cent; crane, 60 per cent.  
 CHISELS—Rivet, 50c; American, discount 25 per cent; Dominion, 50 per cent; extra, 60 per cent; American, discount 30 per cent; military and sporting, 40 per cent; any way, advance on list; Dominion, 15 per cent.  
 CHISELS—Portland, barrel, \$3.99; 1/2 in., \$1.25; 3/4 in., \$1.35; 1 in., \$1.45; 1 1/4 in., \$1.55; 1 1/2 in., \$1.65; 1 3/4 in., \$1.75; 2 in., \$1.85; 2 1/4 in., \$1.95; 2 1/2 in., \$2.05; 2 3/4 in., \$2.15; 3 in., \$2.25; 3 1/4 in., \$2.35; 3 1/2 in., \$2.45; 3 3/4 in., \$2.55; 4 in., \$2.65; 4 1/4 in., \$2.75; 4 1/2 in., \$2.85; 4 3/4 in., \$2.95; 5 in., \$3.05; 5 1/4 in., \$3.15; 5 1/2 in., \$3.25; 5 3/4 in., \$3.35; 6 in., \$3.45; 6 1/4 in., \$3.55; 6 1/2 in., \$3.65; 6 3/4 in., \$3.75; 7 in., \$3.85; 7 1/4 in., \$3.95; 7 1/2 in., \$4.05; 7 3/4 in., \$4.15; 8 in., \$4.25; 8 1/4 in., \$4.35; 8 1/2 in., \$4.45; 8 3/4 in., \$4.55; 9 in., \$4.65; 9 1/4 in., \$4.75; 9 1/2 in., \$4.85; 9 3/4 in., \$4.95; 10 in., \$5.05; 10 1/4 in., \$5.15; 10 1/2 in., \$5.25; 10 3/4 in., \$5.35; 11 in., \$5.45; 11 1/4 in., \$5.55; 11 1/2 in., \$5.65; 11 3/4 in., \$5.75; 12 in., \$5.85; 12 1/4 in., \$5.95; 12 1/2 in., \$6.05; 12 3/4 in., \$6.15; 13 in., \$6.25; 13 1/4 in., \$6.35; 13 1/2 in., \$6.45; 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### C. P. R. Land Inspection.

Land Commissioner Griffin, of the C. P. R., and Mr. L. A. Hamilton have just completed a long journey in the Northwest, which included a drive of over six hundred miles. The trip was undertaken for the purpose of inspecting the regions which will be tapped by the C. P. R. extension now under construction from Kirkella on the main line, and from Yorkton, the present terminus of the Northwestern road. They started from Wolseley and drove in a northwesterly direction, passing through the well settled and highly cultivated district north of Wolseley, and into the Loon Creek district, and thence proceeding to Saskatoon, on the South Saskatchewan, following the old Humbolt trail for a considerable part of the distance. After examining some lands owned by Griffin and Mr. Hamilton drove north-east into the Carrot River country, and then turned southeasterly, passing Lake Lenore en route, striking the railway at Yorkton.

The extent of country traversed is very large, but throughout its length and breadth no land was found that is not suitable for either mixed farming or ranching. The branch line from Kirkella, of which one hundred miles will be built this year, will pass through some fine districts, already well settled, and as much under cultivation as, for instance, the Carberry Plains. This line will eventually be extended as settlement demands.

From Saskatoon to Yorkton there are large areas of splendid land, some of it open prairie, and some partially or wholly timbered, so that no matter what branch of agriculture a settler

wishes to engage in, he can here find land adapted to his requirements. The whole region is well watered and drained, and very beautiful withal. The Northwestern line will be extended fifty miles this year. The grading is about completed, and the track layers are now at work laying the steel.

Mr. Griffin predicts a big demand for land by actual settlers in the territory which the new railways will open up. His department intend to continue the active immigration propaganda which has been attended with such good results in the matter of settling up the country during the past few years.

Mr. William Whyte, assistant to President Shaugnessy, accompanied Mr. Griffin and Mr. Hamilton as far as Saskatoon.

### British Coal.

British coals are offering, delivered at Montreal, at \$6 to \$7 per ton. Inquiries have been made as to the possibility of shipping these coals to Winnipeg. They would cost about \$15 per ton laid down here, adding freight and cost of handling from Montreal. It is absurd, however, to talk about bringing British coals to Winnipeg, when we have here in the west an abundant supply of just as good fuel.

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## The Far North.

Mr. E. Stewart, superintendent of forestry for the Dominion, has returned from an extensive trip through northern Alberta and Athabasca, in which region he has been investigating the forest wealth, and incidentally finding out as much as possible about the country. Speaking to a press representative on the results of his trip, Mr. Stewart said:

"Starting from Edmonton, I drove about 100 miles further north, to Athabasca Landing. Then I went by a York boat up the Athabasca river and the Lesser Slave river to the further end of Lesser Slave Lake, where a Hudson's Bay post is situated. Here I got a man to drive me eighty miles across the country till I struck the Peace river at Peace River Landing. Of course, I had expected to find a fertile belt of land arable land on the way there. North of Edmonton for about 35 or 40 miles the country is excellent for agricultural purposes. Then there is a belt of about 20 or 25 miles, mostly of a light, sandy soil. It gets somewhat better in the neighborhood of Athabasca Landing, and am informed that on the trail to Lesser Slave Lake, which is west of the route which I took, the land is uniformly good. I found it very good along the Little Slave river and the Lesser Slave Lake, and I had a splendid opportunity of observing its character while crossing the portage between Lesser Slave Lake and Peace river, and with hardly a break I found it to be all most excellent land. The country around Lesser Slave Lake, and extending to Peace river, being subject to the influence of the chinook winds, the winter is not severe, and the seeding can be done quite early every summer. The wheat is harvested about two weeks earlier than in the Edmonton district. It comprises a magnificent stretch of territory from 60 to 80 miles in length

and probably as broad, well-watered, with many inland lakes, an excellent soil and in sight of the Rockies. It is described as one of the finest districts in the west.

"All the garden vegetables that are grown in this province I found also growing at Lesser Slave Lake. In Archbishop Holmes' mission there was a patch of potatoes of excellent quality, which must have had an enormous yield, for they started using these potatoes on the 9th of July, and it was still affording them a plentiful supply of the tuber when I was there. At Peace River at the Roman Catholic mission, I found water melons and musk melons growing, and though they have not done as well this year as usual, the priest there informed me that they grow large and ripen well. Tobacco, such as is grown in the province of Quebec, pumpkins and Indian corn, were also growing here, and successful results were being obtained. Both at this mission and at the Roman Catholic mission on Slave Lake, there is a combined shingle, saw and flouring mill in operation. Down the Peace river at Fort Vermillion, the Hudson's Bay company have about completed a flouring mill, steel rims, lighted with electricity, and capable of turning out about 100 barrels a day. It will be running there shortly, if not already in operation. At Athabasca Landing there is a great quantity of freight coming in from Edmonton, which has to be transported by waggons and York boats. There are some steamers far down the river, but none at the Landing.

Speaking of timber throughout the country, Mr. Stewart says: "It consists chiefly of poplar and spruce. There are two varieties of poplar, but the prevailing timber through the country. The poplar is very large, and considered fit for lumber, but for its merchantable qualities the spruce is the principal timber. It is of good quality and fair size, and occurs in considerable quantities, both along the

river, and I am informed, in the foothills of the Rockies. There seems to be more timber north of the Saskatchewan than south of it, but there are also large open belts of prairie."

Questioned as to the work being done in the west at present by the forestry branch, Mr. Stewart said: "The system the government is using in regard to tree culture is well known to the people of the plains, and needs no explanation further than what has already appeared in the press. There are four inspectors now examining the land of applicants for trees. In the neighborhood of 800 to 1,000 people will be supplied with trees next spring, and they will plant them under directions from the inspectors. The inspectors report that the trees planted last year are doing very well, only a very small percentage having been winter-killed. The nurseries at the experimental farms in Brandon and Indian Head, under the supervision of the forestry branch, report that the trees growing there for distribution next spring are doing a wonderful growth this year, and are looking exceedingly well. An estimate is now being made as to the number that will be ready for distribution in the spring, and it is said to say that something over a million trees can be supplied for planting next spring."

Fallures in Canada last week numbered 20, as against 14 previous week and 30 in the like week a year ago.

J. D. McArthur's saw mill at Lac du Bonnet will be closed down shortly for the season.

The Standard Oil Company has put up the price of kerosene in the United States  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent per gallon as a result of increased demand. This increase is due to use of oil as fuel.

Clearing for last week in Canada aggregated \$60,560,637, the largest weekly aggregate ever reported, being a gain of 11 per cent, over previous week and 32 per cent, larger than those of last year.

Henry Hogan, well known to commercial men as proprietor of the St. Lawrence Hall, Hotel Montreal, is dead. Mr. Hogan was one of the richest and best known hotel men in Canada.

It is said that the warring United States window glass manufacturers have at last reached an understanding regarding prices, and that the cutting is now over. This price war has been on for over a year.

Bradstreet's says: Canadian failures for the nine months period numbered 251, a decrease of 18 per cent. from last year, while liabilities aggregated only \$6,200,413, a decrease of 35 per cent. from last year.

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A wire from Ottawa on Wednesday said: During the past summer certain fishing companies made extensive preparations for sturgeon fishing in the lakes between Lake Winnipeg and Hudson's Bay. The results, however, according to reports received at Ottawa, have proven exceedingly disappointing, and great loss will be incurred unless the parties are permitted to use the gear in Lakes Winnipeg and Winnipegosis on an extensive scale. Much trouble will result if these firms are given authority to fish in the southern waters of the province, where the settlers claim the right to winter fishing as a means of livelihood. The Dominion government will probably send out a representative to study the question on the spot.

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