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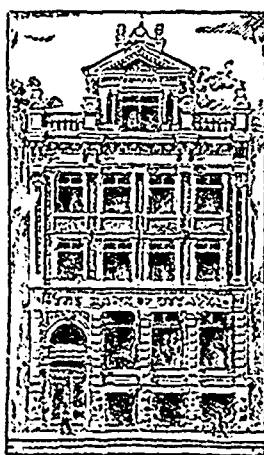
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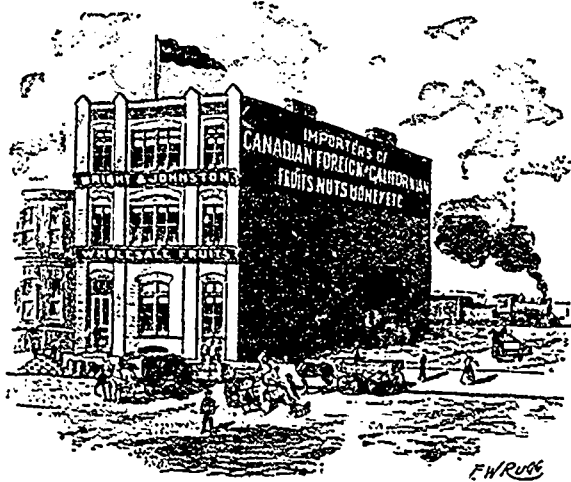
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WINNIPEG, MAY 7, 1898.

## Enterprising Virden

The town of Virden, one of the most progressive towns in Manitoba, is to be congratulated in having such an active board of trade. It has been said that the Virden board of trade is the most active and business-like organization of the kind in Manitoba, outside of Winnipeg. One of the difficulties in maintaining a live board of trade outside of a large town is the petty political strifes which crop up in almost every community. Virden has evidently been more free from troubles of this nature than most other towns, for the business men of the place have kept up an active board of trade for years. Therein the business men of the place show their good sense.

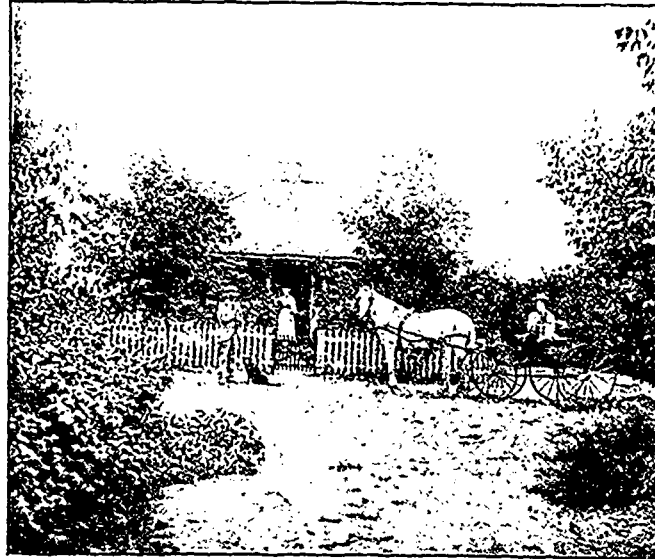
One of the matters which has engaged the attention of the Virden board of trade is the peopling of the unoccupied lands of their fine district. They have recently shown fresh energy in this direction by the publication of a very handsome illustrated pamphlet, dealing with the town and district. Besides illustrations of the town and rural scenes in the vicinity, a map is also given of the territory surrounding Virden. The work which is being done in this way by the Virden board of trade, while primarily intended for the benefit of the Virden district, will undoubtedly prove of much benefit to Manitoba at large. In making known the advantages of their own district for settlement, the board is really advertising Manitoba.

Some of the illustrations from the pamphlet mentioned are reproduced in

The Commercial this week. That showing the Virden elevators and the flour mill will convey an impression, stronger than words, of the excellent market facilities which the residents of the district enjoy. It will also indicate the prosperity of the farmers of the district. Another illustration of a rural home three miles from Virden, will show that it is possible even in a new prairie country, to have the

## WHEAT SHIPMENTS FROM COUNTY OF DENNIS;

	Bushels.
1890	842,850
1891	1,078,050
1892	691,220
1893	502,508
(This was only to Feb. 28)	
1894	1,200,000
1895	1,811,000
1896	1,500,000
1897	1,399,000



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farm home a place of beauty and comfort. We take the following clipping from the pamphlet:

The county of Dennis has an area of 367,680 acres and is divided into rural municipalities of Wallace, Woodworth, Pipestone and Sifton. Settlement commenced in 1881 with the advent of the Canadian Pacific railway, and the population, both in the rural districts and the towns has steadily increased ever since. In the early days of settlement

## WHEAT SHIPMENTS FROM VIRDEN.

1896	305,000
1897	307,000

The above figures will be better appreciated when it is stated that there are about 1,600 farmers in the district who raise wheat.

Cattle, sheep and hogs shipped, 1897, from the county, 227 cars. Cattle, sheep and hogs shipped from Virden alone in 1897, 94 cars; 1896, 85 cars; 1895, 69 cars; 1894, 65 cars.

Average rate of taxation in the



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wheat growing was the principal industry, but in the last few years many of the farmers have gone into stock raising as well. This has proved a great advantage to the farmers, as, besides materially increasing their profits it has utilized immense quantities of fodder, which would otherwise have gone to waste, it having been the practice in the early years to burn all surplus straw and no attention being paid to manuring. Now all this has been changed and practical farming is carried on generally throughout this district.

municipalities of the county. Wallace, \$5.10 per 160 acres; Pipestone, \$5.18 per 160 acres; Woodworth, 33-4 mills on dollar.

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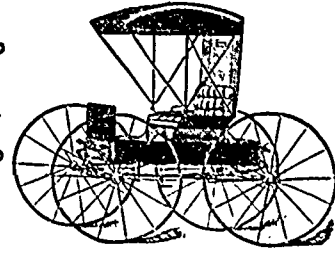
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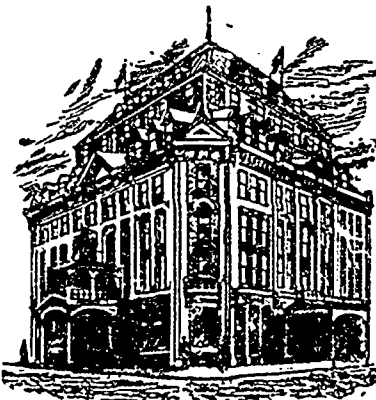
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Griswold, Oak Lake, Elkhorn, Pipestone, Reston and Hargrave are market towns in the county. Oak Lake has one of the best flour mills in Manitoba, carried on by Leitch Bros. This mill has been conducted successfully for years, and its product is known from the Maritime provinces of Eastern Canada to the Pacific coast.

H. A. Brocklesby, manufacturer, Vancouver, is dead.

the consent of the beneficiary, often a difficult thing to get by reason of distance, etc. The amendment gives the assured this power.

To amend the County Courts act. In debts against traders the amounts received under execution must now be divided pro rata among the creditors, following much the same system as prevails in the Queen's bench.

An act respecting liens of mechanics, wage earners and others. This generally consolidates and simplifies the act, and makes it much easier for workmen to establish and enforce their lien. The act is lengthy and is so full of points of interest to mechanics that a general synopsis cannot be given. A perusal of the act would be necessary. The act will likely be published in extenso in the Manitoba Gazette for May 7.

To amend the Noxious Weeds act. This increases the list of weeds declared to be noxious, and also provides that any weed seeds cleaned

that were it not for the fact that some eighteen mills or more are being welded into one large company the advances in newspapers would not have been as great as they have been. An advance of from \$4 to \$5 a ton, or about 1-4c a pound in the past six weeks has put the news mills on a paying basis.

The pulp mills, Bradstreet's says are very busy and have witnessed an advance in price of about 1-4c per lb. for sulphite pulp. Pulp that two months ago sold for 13-4c is now bringing 2c. Soda pulps have likewise advanced to the extent of about \$4 a ton. Good soda now brings 2c a pound. Ground wood has also experienced an advance, the mills now getting from \$14 to \$15 per ton f. o. b., against \$12 to \$13 but a short time ago.

In book paper there has been advances, but they were slight. A No. 1 super calender is worth 4c to 4 1-2c delivered, and machine finished paper 3 1-2c to 3 3-4c. If pulp continues where it is, a still further advance on their part would seem inevitable.



GRAIN ELEVATORS AND FLOUR MILL AT VIRDEN, MAN.

### Commercial Legislation.

The recent session of the Manitoba legislature was not prolific in important commercial legislation. About the most important bill was the amendment to the county courts act, which provides for the abolition of preferences in the county court. Following is a brief summary of the acts of a commercial nature:

An act respecting bakeshops. This act is to provide for the better sanitary conditions of bakeshops. Inspection is also provided.

To amend the executions act—Certain property was exempt under this act, but in case of a fire the insurance money might be garnished. This amendment exempts the insurance money.

To amend an act respecting life insurance for the benefit of wives and children—Owing to the wording of the act if an insurer had taken out an insurance policy in favor of some other party than his wife or children, he could not alter this without

out of grain at mills, elevators, etc., must be destroyed—grinding will not do.

To amend the liquor license act—The changes here made are that during prohibited hours, screens and blinds are to be removed from bar room windows. Provincial constables are also given power to search premises and generally to supervise the sale of liquor.

### Paper Advancing.

One result of the war, which will not be readily thought of, is the strength in the paper market, due to the increased circulation of newspapers and the consequent enlarged demand for paper. The paper mills are taxed to their utmost to supply paper and in some cases they have not been able to fill contracts. Some of the big dailies in the United States, it is said, are taking 90 and 95 tons of paper daily, showing an increase in their consumption of as much as 30 to 40 per cent. It is felt, however,

### The Shoe Trade.

The activity amongst the shoe factories continues. Manufacturers are not nearly through with spring orders, and we understand some have had to neglect entirely the sorting trade. This is a good sign. It shows that stocks have been at a point where there has been absolutely no surplus carried, and with the improved demand has come a realization of improvement that is being followed by a desire to place them upon a good times' footing. Better prices also prevail, and there is less tendency towards recklessness in selling as well as buying. The fall season, while not the most prolific of styles, demands an amount of solid leather that must rejoice the hearts of the tanners, who find dougolas and similar lines of stock making serious inroads upon their trade. It is too early to prognosticate prices, but the indications are that leather will be firm and even stronger during the coming six months. —Canadian Shoe and Leather Journal.

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### Education in Manitoba

Manitoba is a young province, but it is well advanced in the matter of education. This is a very important consideration for settlers going into a new country. All the older settled districts of Manitoba are now well supplied with schools, and everywhere throughout the Canadian west schools rapidly follow wherever new settlements are found. In Manitoba schools are free and the province enjoys a public, non-sectarian system of education. In some of the rural districts where population is sparse the school building frequently serves as a place of worship as well. The Liberal newspaper of Portage la Prairie recently contained an article on the schools of Manitoba, from which we take the following:

"The law for the establishment of schools is exceedingly simple and easily worked. The power to form and re-adjust school district is vested in the municipal council. The council can form parts of the municipality into school districts, provided there are at least ten children of school age (5 to 16) resident within the territory in question, and provided also that no school district shall contain more than twenty square miles. The

used, and only teachers holding certificates from the department shall be employed. To secure an adequate supply of trained teachers, examinations are held once a year, and those desiring to do so can write for a certificate. Afterwards those who pass the examination have to attend the Normal school, established and carried on at government expense, before being allowed to teach.

The school district is managed by three trustees, who hold office for three years, one being elected each year, by the ratepayers of the district.

Closely in touch with the rural schools are the more advanced and better equipped schools of the villages and towns. There are what are called intermediate schools, and, in consideration of the doing of certain advanced work, they receive a larger grant from the government."

To this it may be added that higher education is liberally provided for by the collegiate institutes, colleges, and academies in the larger towns and the University of Manitoba.

### Dry Goods Trade.

The Manchester cloth market is strong and fairly active, with yarns



TYPICAL, RURAL, SCHOOL, IN MANITOBA.

money necessary to build a new school can be obtained from the government. The school district can issue debentures for an amount not exceeding seven hundred dollars. These debentures bear six per cent. interest and are payable in ten years, in equal annual instalments. The government will take these debentures at par and advance the money at once for the building of the school. For the maintenance of the school, funds are provided as follows: For each teacher employed the government gives a grant of \$130 per year, or a proportionate part if the school is not kept open all the year. The municipal council gives a grant of \$240 upon the same basis. What is required over this amount is raised by a special levy upon the school district itself. This arrangement enables poor localities and new settlements to open schools when, if they had to contribute to the entire support themselves, they could not do so.

The efficiency of the schools is insured by government supervision. The conditions upon which the government grant is paid is that the school shall be conducted in accordance with the regulations of the department of education. The principal features of the regulations are that only text books authorized by the department shall be

a farthing dearer. Some spinners are now asking 3-8d advance. Cloth, on very long engagements, is much higher, the selling limits preventing a large business being completed. Sellers mostly refuse to make the usual over-night firm offers. Advances from Rouen show a firm demand for yarns and rising prices.

The Boston wool market continues dull. The inquiry is more to see how much prices have weakened, and the bids made are about 2c below former prices. Dealers have not lost confidence in values, however, and while in some instances concessions of 1c might be made, the market shows fair steadiness as a whole. About 200,000 pounds Cape wool, which make up most of the balance of the bark Culdoon's cargo, which was run ashore at Nantucket, has been sold to go to Canada, as was the rest of the cargo a couple of weeks since.

Hardly less important to the old-established cotton-manufacturing countries, and especially to Great Britain and her colonies, than the rise of Japan is the rapid development of the cotton manufacturing industry of Mexico. An English consul has made a special report on the Mexican industry, and the conclusion he appears to have arrived at is that the native mills will be able, in a few

years, to furnish all of the coarse cotton goods required by that country.

### Freight Rates and Traffic Matters.

The first big deal in ocean cattle freight this season, says the Montreal Gazette, was made known to-day. It was the engaging of all the Allan and Refords' Glasgow freight from this port during the months of May and June. The rate paid is kept private, but it is believed to be around 15s.

The Montreal Gazette says of ocean freight: A further advance of 3d all round has to be recorded for grain. All the space for May has been filled and the bulk of June with some engagements for July. Liverpool has been let at 3s 3d; and Glasgow at 3s 9d, with steamship agents now asking 3s 9d for London and Avonmouth, and 3s 6d for 3s 9d for Belfast and London.

Chicago Trade Bulletin says: Rail rates are unsettled. East bound lines are taking grain from Chicago to New York at 12 to 13c. Ocean rates are active and higher, having doubled in three weeks, and are 5 1-4d per bushel on grain from New York to Liverpool. Through rates from Chicago to Liverpool are 16 1-4c per bushel on wheat and 16c on corn. Flour is 34 to 34-5-8c per 100 lbs. and provisions 46 1-3 to 48c per 100 lbs. Lake and rail rates to New England are 16 1-2c per 100 lbs. flour, 9 1-2c per bushel on wheat, 8 1-2c on corn and 5 1-2c on oats. Lake rates from Chicago to Buffalo were steady with a good business at 1 1-4c on wheat, 1 1-8c on corn and 1c on oats. Corn was taken to Kingston at 23-4c.

### Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, May 2.

There are several important changes in the wholesale markets in Vancouver. In the dairy market California and Oregon eggs are no longer on sale. Eastern case eggs are now sold plentifully at 17 and 18 cents. Manitoba cheese has advanced and is now selling at 12 and 12 1-2c. Cured meats are firm with an upward tendency, and lard has made an advance of 1c. Tins 11c and tubs 10c. The most remarkable feature in the market however is the drop in potatoes. Though Ashcroft's are still quoted at \$19.50 the ordinary article grown largely by Chinese, have fallen from \$13 and \$15 to \$8 and \$12. At this time of year potatoes are usually increasing in value, and wholesalers cannot account for the sudden fall in price. The theory advanced is that the Chinamen have been holding for better prices, and as there is a sort of free masonry among them, a number of these Mongolian potato raisers decided to stand by each other in maintaining prices. But they had not accounted for a big supply being also held by whites, and when they realized this they decided there were too many potatoes in the country and scrambled over each other to unload. Fruits remain the same but flour is still advancing, Manitoba selling at \$6.50 and Strong Bakers at \$6.20. Wheat has advanced to \$30. As flour and feed is advancing rapidly in the United States it is expected to go much higher here. Hay is still unchanged. Although the outfitting trade has fallen off very materially there are other influences tending to keep up the price. Farmers are all seeding, and the delivery is small. Farmers report a good spring, and anticipated big crops and good prices.



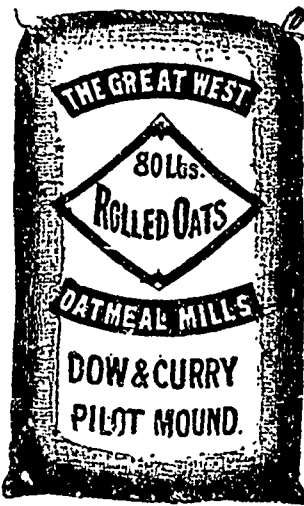
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### The Lumber Trade.

Frank Lavin has purchased the saw mill and lumber business of the Salmo Lumber company at Salmo, B. C.

The shingle men at Seattle and Tacoma have issued a circular advising the mills to close down for a time to prevent a slump in prices.

The Cody saw mill near Sandon, B. C., has been purchased by Mr. Bascom and the machinery has been shipped to the line of the Crow's Nest Pass railway, where it will be used in cutting construction timber.

West coast lumber is coming largely into use in the building of vessels and the new impetus that has been given to ship building by the war. Fir for docking is especially in demand, and a United States Pacific coast concern has recently received an order from Philadelphia for a large order. The specifications call for material with not a knot or blemish of any kind, and the west coast lumber is the kind that can be furnished to comply exactly with such requirements.

The Minneapolis Lumberman says. The generally accepted price for "A" red cedar shingles in the local market is \$2.20 per thousand. Some dealers were asking \$2.25 for a time, but that was rather in advance of the market. Some sales are possibly made at \$2.15 on a fifty cent rate. It is not likely that there will be any falling off in the prices for the shingle mills of the west coast are preparing to shut down during the month of May to anticipate a falling off in the trade. The demand for fir lumber is good and prices are ranging higher than they were a year ago.

The cancellation of the city lumber contract, after the tender of Dick, Banning & Co. had been accepted, is causing much adverse comment in business circles. It is a well recognized business principle, between honorable business men, that a bargain should be adhered to, even though it might be to the disadvantage of one of the parties thereto. In this case the only reason given for the cancellation of the contract is that the time between the first appearance of the advertisement and the closing of the tenders was too short. Dick, Banning & Co. are therefore made to suffer for the mistake of the city authorities. The least the city can do in the matter would be to take the material ordered for the city by the firm who were first awarded the contract, at the price called for in the tender. No objection could be made to the tender on the ground that the prices quoted were too high. Though higher than last year, the prices quoted are low, compared with lumber prices generally and with the improved market this year.

### Grocery Trade Notes.

United States buyers have been picking up considerable tea in Canada recently.

The Montreal Gazette says: "In sympathy with the continued strong advices from foreign markets and a further advance in prices of 6d in Burmah, the undertone to the local market is still strong and prices here have been marked up 25c per 100 lbs.

The bill to amend the adulteration of foods act, has been passed at Ottawa. It provides more severe penalties for the adulteration of food, which is likely to prove dangerous to the

public health, and better facilities for reaching the manufacturers of such adulterated foods.

Molasses is strong owing to the war. The closing of Porto Rico ports will help Barbadoes trade, and this is already noticeable in an advance of 1c on the latter at the primary market, to 18c, equal to 27c laid down at Montreal. The Montreal wholesale grocery guild has advanced the price on Barbadoes molasses 1c. The price is now 25c for car lots and 26c for puncheons.

The first direct steamer with Mediterranean green fruits, the steamer Matthews, arrived in Montreal on Tuesday of last week. Her cargo consisted of 26,500 packages of Messina lemons, 1,700 Palermo do., and 600 Sorrento do.; and 4,000 packages Messina oranges, 280 Palermo do., and 3,500 Sorrento do., will be put out at public auction next week. The steamer Fremona has also arrived with fruit from the Mediterranean.

With a blockade of Cuban ports, and the Philippines, it is very natural that the market for raw sugar should show some response. Two weeks ago the price for 96 degrees was 41-16c, while yesterday the market was firm at 41-4c. Not only are exports from Cuba suspended, but the receipts from all West Indian countries are seriously interfered with on account of high freight rates. Beet sugar in Germany has shown an advance of 41-2d per 100 lbs. N. Y. Commercial Bulletin.

A good deal of uncertainty is felt as to whether any further shipments of almonds from Spain will be made, and if made, whether they will be admitted to this country. It is reported that the treasury department has stated any stock shipped from Spain not accompanied by a consular invoice will be liable to confiscation. It is also intimated that Spanish merchandise, whether shipped direct or via England or continental ports, may soon be refused entry at United States ports.—New York Journal of Commerce.

### Hardware and Paint Trade

The advance in ocean freight rates is the cause of the advance reported by wire to The Commercial last week on kerosene oil in Eastern markets. The high freight rates may affect prices on other commodities as well.

Buchanan & Gordon sent in a tender to supply Portland cement to the Winnipeg city council at \$3.42; or \$3.37 per bag. From the latter price 10 cents per sack would be allowed on the sacks being returned.

The advance in rope is general in the United States and Canada. Prices are now about \$40 per ton above the lowest point, and, with war between the United States and Spain, still further advances are looked for.

Owing to the war between Spain and the United States, Derbyshire lead advanced \$10 per ton in England. White lead has been advanced in all markets, as our wire reports showed last week, owing to the steady advance in pig lead.

The recent heavy drop in turpentine is said to be partially due to a desire to market the product before the interruption of shipping by the war. The price, however, has fluctuated up and down quite frequently of late, and the latest change is an advance.

### Grain and Milling News.

The flour mill at Minnedosa is offered for sale.

France, Italy and Spain have temporarily suspended the duty on cereals. Spain has prohibited the export of corn, rye, flour and potatoes.

The information from Ottawa regarding the bill dealing with elevators in Manitoba, is not understood here. It is supposed that the provision allowing flat warehouses will apply only to farmers, and not to dealers.

Nothing is reported yet in the way of new mills to be built in Manitoba this year. Machinery men are figuring on several proposed mills, but contracts have not been let. The refusal of the legislature to sanction bonuses for several proposed mills, may prevent there going ahead this year.

### The Live Stock Trade.

Hall Bro. & Co., of Portage la Prairie, shipped a consignment of cattle to Montreal this week.

W. R. Stewart, rancher, of Macleod, has secured 800 stockers in Manitoba for his ranch. He visited Ontario, but says stockers cannot be procured there.

The demand for stock cars in Southern Manitoba and along the M. & N. W. line is large, for the moving of stocker cattle to the western ranges and United States markets.

Armour & Co., packers, of Chicago, recently purchased 150 Yorkshire bacon pigs in Canada, paid duty on them going into the States, turned them into bacon and shipped the product to the English market for the purpose of seeing how it would compare with United States bacon. The Breeders' Gazette, of Chicago, says the result shows that the bacon made from the Canadian hogs commanded a premium over the price secured for the United States product. This premium was not, however, sufficient to warrant the importation of hogs from Canada and the payment of duty on them. The probable outcome of the experiment would appear to be that the Armour's will endeavor, by offering higher prices, to induce farmers to produce hogs of a similar class.

### Raw Furs.

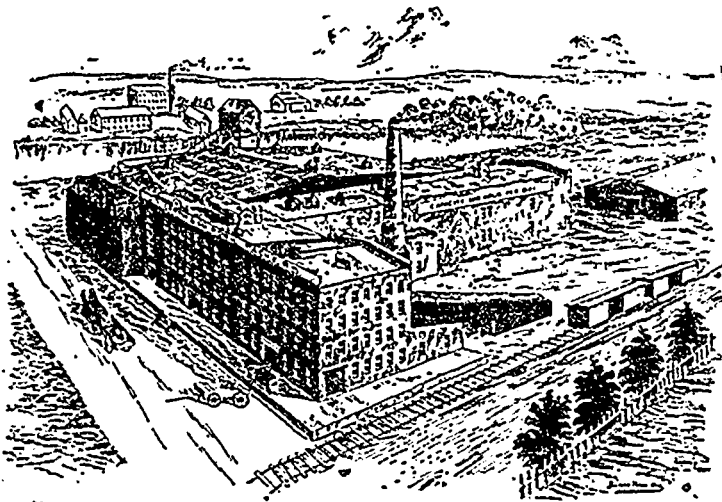
The spring collection of furs, except the water animals and bear, grows faded, rubba and begin shedding as the season advances. Water animals are good as long as the water is cold, and bear are the best when they first come out of their dens in the spring. Skunk shed earlier than any other animal. Shedding furs can be detected by looking through them toward the light. They grade No. 2 and 3, and where badly shedding, No. 4. Spring-caught mink are virtually all pale or red in color.

Traders from the north report this season's yield of fur as being away below the average.

Bank clearings of the Winnipeg clearing house during April aggregated \$6,240,000, compared with \$4,162,000, and \$4,032,000 for the corresponding month of 1897 and 1896 respectively.

Transactions for April at the Dominion Savings bank, Winnipeg, were: Deposits, \$19,691; withdrawals, \$21,242.98; with withdrawals exceed deposits by \$1,551.98.

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### Seeding.

Seeding operations throughout this district, says the Pilot Mound Sentinel, are practically finished, and the area put in crop will be a considerable increase on that of last year. In the neighborhood of the Mound the acreage will exceed last year by a third, Crystal City by a quarter, Clearwater by a fifth, Holmfild by a half, Cartwright by a sixth and Laktiviere a sixth.

Reports of seeding operations along the line of the Manitoba and North-western railway for the week ending May 2nd, have been issued by the company as follows:

**Westbourne**—Acreage of the various kinds of grain under crop will be about the same as last year. Wheat seeding finished. The conditions are more favorable for a good crop and seeding about one week earlier than last season.

**Gladstone**—Seeding in this vicinity is well advanced, and is fully two weeks ahead of last year. Wheat is all sown and farmers are now sowing oats and barley. Some of the early sown wheat is above the ground. About 25 per cent more wheat sown this year than last, about 10 per cent more oats and barley. Weather has been fine and the growth prospects are good.

**Arden**—Seeding is progressing very favorably; a few days more and wheat will be all in. Oats and barley not yet commenced. Wheat acreage about 30 per cent over last year; oats a slight increase also; but barley about same. There is no growth to speak of so far, which is a little backward compared with this time last year.

**Neepawa**—Seeding is pretty well advanced; compared with last year there is very little difference as to the time of the work. About 80 per cent of the wheat is sown, while some farmers have already started to sow oats and barley. No grain is up yet and farmers say rain is needed. The acreage in wheat will probably be about 15 per cent in advance over last year; while the acreage of oats and barley will be about the same.

**Minnedosa**—Seeding is in about the same shape that it was at this time last year. Wheat is about all sown, and farmers are now busy sowing oats and barley. The weather has been rather cold and no grain has sprouted yet. Wheat acreage will be about 10 per cent over last year, oats and barley about the same. This has been an excellent spring for seeding, farmers working without interruption since the season began. Rain is needed.

**Rapid City**—Wheat seeding finished last week, and in many cases the wheat is above ground, which is about six days earlier than last year. Oat seeding is general and will be completed this week. Increase in wheat acreage over last year about 20 per cent, oats about 15 per cent, barley about the same. Farmers are complaining of the land being very dry and rain is badly needed.

**Newdale**—Seeding is about half finished; all wheat sown, and farmers are rushing in the oats and barley. Weather very fine. Seeding will be finished about a week earlier this year than last; acreage of wheat about 10 per cent higher than last year; oats and barley about the same.

**Strathclair**—Wheat seeding in this vicinity is now practically over, being about the same time as last year. Oat seeding has commenced and will be general this week. Increased acreage in wheat will be about 40 per cent; oats about the same. Farmers report the ground rather dry and in need of rain, but a general feeling of satisfaction prevails.

**Shoal Lake**—The weather has been most favorable for seeding operations and the farmers have been hard at work getting in their crops. Mostly all the wheat is sown, and about half the oats. Acreage in wheat will be fully 30 per cent in excess of last year, oats about the same. Seeding is about a week in advance of last year. A good rain would do a great amount of good now.

**Birtle**—Wheat seeding about finished. Farmers report ground in excellent condition and grain already sprouting. Generally it is about a week ahead of last year, and increase in acreage from 10 to 15 per cent. No oats or barley yet sown. Acreage in oats will likely be increased.

**Binscarth**—The weather has been all that could be wished for at this particular season of the year. The farmers have taken advantage of it in every way and rushed in their wheat. Nine per cent of wheat is now sown, with an increase in acreage of about 20 per cent, as compared with last year, although wheat seeding last year at this time was about completed. Some of the wheat is up and looks well. No oats or barley sown yet, acreage about the same as last year.

**Russell**—The farmers have taken advantage of the exceptionally fine weather this spring and have rushed seeding operations at a great pace. The great bulk of the wheat is already sown, with an acreage fully 10 per cent in excess of last year and about a week earlier. Oats and barley will be rushed in as soon as possible, acreage about the same as last year.

**Langenburg**—About 90 per cent of the wheat is sown, acreage about the same as last year. A few farmers have sown oats. Acreage of oats will be the same as last year. Very little barley is grown here, only for feed. Seeding will be completed in about two weeks' time, which is same as last year.

**Salteate**—Wheat seeding finished, with about 20 per cent more acreage than last year. Spring plowing progressing rapidly for oats and barley. Some seeding will be done this week. Acreage in oats expected to be 20 per cent more than last year. Weather has been very favorable for all kinds of spring work. Seeding will be finished 10 to 15 days earlier than last year.

**Yorkton**—Seeding in this district is well advanced. The wheat is all in and the acreage will be about 25 per cent more than last year. Some oats already sown; acreage will be fully 25 per cent over last year. Weather has been fine and a good crop anticipated.

### Legal

**Dougg vs. Georgeson**—Plaintiffs, who are wholesale clothiers of Montreal, filed this statement of claim against William Georgeson, as assignee of the estate of Ferdinand Cloutier, and J. H. Burgoin, the manager of the Banque d'Hochelega, to set aside a sale made by the plaintiffs to Cloutier of about \$1,387 worth of goods, on the ground of fraud. Plaintiffs allege that the goods were sold by them on Cloutier's representation that there were no chattel mortgages against his property and that he possessed a surplus of over \$14,000 in his business, whereas it transpired he had given his brother Gabriel Cloutier a chattel mortgage on his stock to secure his brother's endorsement of a note for \$10,000. By an agreement between the two brothers this chattel mortgage was not registered. Immediately after the executor of the mortgage, Ferdinand Cloutier left for Montreal, where he bought \$10,000 worth of goods from various merchants, which were forwarded to Winnipeg and became subject to the chattel mortgage. The mortgage was then assigned to Burgoin and registered and the bank took possession under the assignment. Ferdinand Cloutier then made a general assignment for the benefit of creditors to Cloutier. On finding out the above facts Dougg & Gilson notified defendants that the sale was rescinded on the ground of fraud and they demanded possession of the goods, which being refused, the present action was commenced for an injunction to restrain defendants from sell-

ing or parting with the goods. His lordship granted an injunction until Thursday, May 12th. Mr. Philpen appeared for the plaintiffs.

From the affidavits filed in the above case it appears that Rochette, Allaire & Co., of Quebec sold Cloutier about \$4,500 worth of goods, part of which were placed in his store here, but the major part was taken direct from the station to a warehouse and hypothecated to the Banque d'Hochelega for an advance of \$2,000.

### Insurance Items.

J. S. Wallace general agent of the Imperial Life Assurance company, left Tuesday for Calgary and Edmonton.

Geo. A. Sterling, secretary of the Manufacturers' Life Assurance company, was in Winnipeg this week returning from a trip to the coast.

We have received a copy of the annual report of the North American Life Assurance Co. in neat booklet form. The principal feature of the little book is the illustrations of the new home office of the company in Toronto. The fine building erected by the United Empire club was acquired by the company some time ago and fitted up for the requirements of the company, making it one of the handsomest business buildings in Toronto.

### Notes.

There are 2,500 men at work along the Crow's Nest Pass railway line for twenty miles west of Crow's Nest lake.

The experimental farms at Brandon and Indian Head have a large supply of cuttings of cottonwood and hardy Russian poplar trees, which will be sent in packages to any persons applying for the same.

The opening of the tenders for cedar for block pavement for Winnipeg city council showed the following offers: T. D. Robinson, per cord \$10.40; L. Bickle, \$10.45; Kelly Bros., & Co., \$10.90; J. G. Hargrave, \$10.50. The tender of T. D. Robinson was recommended for acceptance.

Sir Richard Cartwright gave notice in parliament of a resolution to confirm a supplemental contract with Petersen, Tait & Co., for a fast Atlantic service. It extends the time for the commencement of the service to May 1st, 1900, when the contractors must put on four steamers and a weekly service, built to British admiralty requirements, for which the imperial government contributes \$250,000 of a total subsidy of \$500,000, provides for calling at an Irish port. They are to be put under contract at the shipbuilders immediately, or the contract is void.

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WHEAT IN CANADA

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

Montreal . . . . .	212,000
Toronto . . . . .	19,000
Kingston . . . . .	
Winnipeg . . . . .	350,000
Manitoba elevators . . . . .	1,910,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin . . . . .	1,039,000
<b>Total April 23 . . . . .</b>	<b>3,530,000</b>

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on April 23, were 35,015,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 52,800,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on April 1 were 3,466,000 bushels, compared with 1,730,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ended April 30, was 23,263,000 bushels, being a decrease of 2,651,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 34,412,000 bushels, two years ago 55,519,000 bushels, three years ago 62,196,000 bushels, four years ago 66,583,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago . . . . .	3,327,000 bushels
Duluth . . . . .	3,064,000 "
Minneapolis . . . . .	9,711,000 "
New York . . . . .	959,000 "
Buffalo . . . . .	1,025,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 11,218,000 bushels, compared with 11,722,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 27,044,000 bushels, compared with 16,597,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on April 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: April 1, 1898, 114,267; April 1, 1897, 122,376,000; April 1, 1896, 161,978,000; April 1, 1895, 151,442,000.

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets from the beginning of the crop year, August 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis . . . . .	66,063,280	53,031,300
Milwaukee . . . . .	7,983,937	6,766,537
Duluth . . . . .	36,553,294	39,236,362
Chicago . . . . .	31,858,942	14,670,786

Total . . . . . 142,459,453 113,704,985

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, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo . . . . .	10,793,328	6,762,720
St. Louis . . . . .	11,306,594	10,867,196
Detroit . . . . .	4,556,368	3,112,079
Kansas City . . . . .	27,446,566	6,696,000
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>54,102,856</b>	<b>27,437,995</b>

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

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

Badger . . . . .	\$ .05	\$ .50
Bear, black . . . . .	5.00	25.00
Bear, brown . . . . .	4.00	20.00
Bear, yearlings . . . . .	2.00	8.00
Bear, grizzly . . . . .	5.00	16.00
Beaver, large . . . . .	5.00	6.50
" medium . . . . .	3.00	4.00
" small . . . . .	1.50	2.25
" cubs . . . . .	.50	1.00
" castors, per lb . . . . .	2.50	5.50
Fisher, dark . . . . .	6.00	9.00
Fisher, pale . . . . .	3.00	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large . . . . .	5.00	15.00
" cross pale . . . . .	2.50	5.00
" kitt . . . . .	.10	.50
" red . . . . .	1.00	1.60
" silver dark . . . . .	40.00	75.00
" peale . . . . .	25.00	60.00
Lynx, large . . . . .	1.50	2.00
" medium . . . . .	1.00	1.25
" small . . . . .	.50	.75
Marten, dark . . . . .	2.50	5.00
" pale or brown . . . . .	1.50	4.00
" light pale . . . . .	1.00	2.25
Mink, dark . . . . .	1.00	1.50
Mink, pale . . . . .	.75	1.25
Musquash, winter . . . . .	.04	.10
" spring . . . . .	.08	.12
Otter, dark . . . . .	6.00	10.00
Otter, pale . . . . .	5.00	8.00
Skunk . . . . .	.25	.50
Wolf, timber . . . . .	1.00	1.50
" prairie . . . . .	.40	.75
Wolverine . . . . .	1.00	3.50

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

- Wheat—No. 1 hard, May afloat Fort William, 73@73½c.
- Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.05; Bakers, \$1.85.
- Bran—Per ton, \$5.
- Shorts—Per ton, \$7.
- Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 18@23c.
- Barley—Feed, 20 @ 23c; Malting, 25@28c per bushel.
- Butter—Dairy, dealers' selling price, 14@17c.
- Cheese—Dealers selling at 11@12c.
- Eggs—Fresh selling at 8½@9c.
- Beef—City dressed, fresh, 6 @ 6½c.
- Mutton—Frozen Sc. Fresh 10c.
- Hogs—Dressed, 5@6c in round lots.
- Cattle—3@4c as to quality.
- Hogs—Live, off cars, 4½@4¾c for best bacon.
- Sheep—4½@4¾c off cars here.
- Hides—No. 1 green, 6@6½c.
- Seneca Root—Dry, 16@18c.
- Poultry—Chickens, 10c per pound; turkeys, 12@13c per lb.
- Potatoes—30@35c per bushel.
- Hay—No sale. Sold as low as \$1 load.

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### Manitoba

T. Liddle will open a hardware store at Holmfild.

Mr. Pursnani has opened a butcher shop at Thornhill.

S. Adair, Jeweller, Arden, has sold out to Wm. Wallace.

William Montgomery has started business as blacksmith at Napinka.

E. H. Williams, Birtle, contemplates adding a grocery department to his store.

W. J. Stenson has leased the Leland hotel premises at Dauphin from Chas. McLean.

Hugh Skerch, lately of La Salle, has purchased Bulkey's butcher business at Miami.

Walter Lock has leased Allison's store at Napinka for the purpose of opening a bakery and confectionery business.

B. A. and F. C. St. John, jewellers, Minnedosa, have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by B. A. St. John.

F. Nation is building a block of stores at Brandon, and several other large buildings are in course of erection.

The steam laundry at the Manitoba penitentiary, Stony Mountain, was burned this week. The building had a close call.

M. H. Ritchie, of Poplar Point, has sold out his general store business and contemplates a trip to the Peace river country.

The Colonist Printing and Publishing Co., Winnipeg, has sold out its printing department and plant to Pollard, Daniels & Co.

Jas. Dodds, farmer, of Springfield, has given up his farm and contemplates opening a store at some point not yet selected.

The Rathburn Co., have sold out their stock of sash, doors, etc., in Winnipeg to the Rat Portage Lumber Co. and Turnbull & McManus.

The wholesale establishment of R. J. Whittle & Co., will close at 5 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesdays during the summer months.

Jones & Davis recently from England, have bought the blacksmithing business of A. Witherspoon at Glenboro and will carry on a blacksmithing and machine shop business.

John Ferris, a Portage plains farmer, sold his grain this week, and received \$13,000 in cold cash. Mr. Ferris naturally thinks there is as much gold in a Portage farm as can be made elsewhere.

Stuart & Harper, dealers in machinery, Winnipeg, have been awarded the contract for supplying, boilers, pumps, tanks, etc., for Gordon & Ironside's abattoir now being established in Winnipeg.

D. A. Clark, late of Montreal, has been admitted as a member of the firm of Lévé, McAllister & Co., wholesale stationery, Winnipeg. Mr. Clark was formerly with Galt Bros. Co. He will represent his firm on the road.

E. F. Hatchings, wholesale saddler and leather merchant, Winnipeg, starts operations on his new warehouse and factory next week. The plans show a handsome four story building, with well elevated basement, giving five large floors in all. Everything will be first-class about the building.

There will be considerable building at Pilot Mound this summer. Chal-

mer Bros. and Bethune intend erecting a brick veneered store, 28x50 feet, along side of their present buildings. J. M. Fraser is preparing to put up a house, 24x35 feet, and Mr. Donald is putting an addition to his house. Geo. Dow will also build a large addition to his house and put a stone foundation.

After a lengthy discussion on the relative merits of the Waterous and other fire engines, at a meeting of the fire and light committee of the Winnipeg city council, it was moved that the committee recommend to the council the purchase of a Waterous engine at a cost of \$1,600, provided it gives satisfaction to a committee to be named for the purpose of testing this engine.

### Assiniboia.

A department store is in course of erection for the Regina Trading company of Regina.

Bell & Smith, butchers, Moosomin, has dissolved. The new firm of Smith & Ferguson will carry on the business.

R. H. Williams, Regina, has purchased the lot adjoining his present store, the Glasgow House, and is about to build an addition to his premises.

C. Willoughby, lumber merchant, Regina, has taken W. H. Duncan into partnership and the new firm will build a store on Searth street. They are adding hardware to the business.

The postoffice and general store of B. D. Westman, Churchbridge, was burglarized recently. Several registered letters were taken and also tobacco, clothing, etc. Now that the tramp season is approaching, merchants will require to exercise greater vigilance.

### Saskatchewan.

A creamery has been established near Prince Albert.

J. J. Bose, Bro. & Co., have opened a general store at Rosthern.

C. McDonald, druggist, late of Renfrew, Ontario, has taken over the drug business of W. J. Fleming, of Prince Albert.

### British Columbia Items.

Bougard & McPhee, hotel, Kaslo, have dissolved.

G. O'Neill, is opening in hardware at Slocan City.

C. Harrington & Co., grocer, Nelson, is giving up business.

Tainton & Gordon, are opening an hotel at Windermere.

R. G. McGaw is opening a general store at Grand Forks.

J. Menzies, general store, Savonas, has moved to Ashcroft.

J. A. Gilker, general store, is closing out branch at Pilot Bay.

W. H. P. Cawley, butcher, has started business at Chilliwack.

Davis & Janes, grocers, Nelson, advertise dissolving partnership.

G. F. Dowding, butcher, has started business at Ladner's Landing.

Wm. Momfray, general store, Grand Prairie, is moving to Ducks.

M. Verbiest, & N. DeKeyser, jewelers, have started business at Ashcroft.

R. E. Smith, late general store, at Kamloops, has left for Glenora.

Manson & Adie, general store, and hotel, Waneta, are giving up the hotel.

J. Webb & Co., general store, North Bend, have dissolved, style now John Webb.

The California Wine Co., Thos. Adair, has sold out his interest to Ernst & Thompson.

The Colonial Hotel and Pioneer Saloon, Kamloops, are advertised for sale by tender.

The Kootenay Navigation & Saw Milling company have started a mill at Teslin Lake.

The McDonald & McKinnon Co., commission and produce, are started business at Vancouver.

The stone work for the new Canadian Pacific Railway station at Vancouver has been commenced.

H. G. Parson, general store, Golden, is discontinuing all lines, excepting dry goods, groceries and liquors.

John Turner & Co., hardware, Nelson, reported giving up business, and succeeded by H. Byers, of Kalso.

Wm. Skene, Vancouver, has been appointed assignee in place of A. G. Pemberton, for the estate of W. J. Armstrong, of Vernon. The assignee advertises for tenders for purchase of business to May 9.

The following items are reported from Victoria: Saw & Dickinson, flour, produce, etc., are opening business; E. Robinson, jeweler, has sold out to Challoner, Mitchell & Co.; H. H. Wright, saloon, has sold out; J. Griffin & Co., auctioneers, have started business.

The smelter for Vancouver is practically assured. H. W. Trout, of the Van Anda Copper and Gold company, of New York, addressed the city council yesterday and said he had the machinery now in Seattle for a hundred ton plant, that he would erect the same within five miles of Vancouver if granted fifty cents a ton or a hundred thousand tons of ore smelted. The council practically agreed to accept the proposition.

Representatives from all the salmon packing companies in British Columbia met at Vancouver this week, and drew up a long list of changes that they suggest in the new Dominion fishing regulations. The canners declare that the men who drew up the regulations must be ignorant of the conditions that exist in this province. They particularly object to the proposed Dominion department of marine that no United States boat pullers be allowed in the province and also ask for a removal of the duty on salmon coming from the States.

The following items are reported from Vancouver: A. Edwards, grocer, is starting business at Trail. J. Doherty, men's furnishings, closing. Hing Kee & Co., Chinese tailors and merchants, have dissolved. Braley Bros., of Victoria, plumbers, have opened a branch. Strickland & Boyles, bakers, are selling out. Manufacturers' Agency, Ltd., is incorporated. Ceperley, Lowen & Campbell, Ltd., insurance brokers. Style now Ceperley, Mackenzie & Rounsfell, Ltd. Chapel & Co., outfitters, have opened business. F. Stewart, & Co., furniture, are starting business.

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Lead—Pig, per lb., 4½ to 5c.

Sheet Zinc—In casks, \$6.50 lb., broken lots \$7.00.

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

Ammunition—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American discount 40 per cent; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 and 5; rim fire military, American, net list; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent, shot shells, 12 guage, \$6@7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 6c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6½c. Robin Hood powder, 17 lb kegs, \$10; ¼ kegs, 4½ lbs, \$3; Causter, 9 oz., 60c. Loaded shells, 12 guage, soft shot, \$18 per 1,000. No. 10 guage, \$20.70 per 1,000.

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

Wire—Galvanized barb wire, \$2.50 per 100 lbs.; Plain wire and staples, \$3.00.

Axes—Per box, \$6@9.

Nails—Cut, keg, base price, \$2.45 for 20 to 60d., with new classification of extras; common steel wire nails, 4½@6 inch, \$2.55 per keg, with usual extras for smaller sizes

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Rope—Sisal, lb., 9c base; manilla, lb., 10½c base; cotton, ½ to ½ inch and larger, 16c lb.

Binder Twine—Sisal 7½c; Manilla 8½c, Pure Manilla 9½c per lb.

Building Paper—Anchor brand plain 45c; do tarred 65c; Jubilee plain 57c, do tarred 73c.

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

Following are close jobbing prices, as to quantity:

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

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

Dry Colors—White lead, pound, 7c; red lead, kegs, 6c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 2½c; less than barrels, 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 3½c; less than barrels, 4c; Venetian, red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 3½c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb., Paris green, 18@19c; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots, 2½c; less than barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, in casks, 3½c; less quantities 4c lb.

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

Sundries—Glue, sheets, 15c lb; broken, 12½c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 16@25c. Stove gasoline, case, \$4; benzine, case, \$4. Axle grease, imperial, case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, case, \$3.75; Diamond axle grease, \$2.25 case. Coal tar, barrel, \$7. Portland cement, barrel, \$4@4.25; plaster, barrel \$3.25; plasterers' hair, P. P., 90c bale. Putty, in bladders, barrel lots, 2½c lb., do., in 100 lb kegs, 2½c, do., less than barrels, 1b, 3c. Alabastine, cases of 20 pkgs., \$6.50@7.50 as to color.

Window Glass—First break is quoted at \$1.80 per box of 50 feet and \$2.05 for second break.

Linseed Oil—Raw, gal., 57c; boiled, gal., 60c in barrels; less than barrels, 5c gallon extra, with additional charges for cans

Turpentine—Pure spirits in barrels, 57c; less than barrels, gallon, 62c. An additional charge for packages for small quantities.

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

Refined Petroleum—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 18½c; crescent, 20c; oleophene, 20½c in barrels. Car lots, 1c gallon less. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 24c for cocene and 21c for sunlight.

**Winnipeg Lumber Prices.**

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

Dimension and Timber—No. 1, 2x4 to 2x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$18.50, 18 ft, \$19.50, 20 ft, \$20.50, 22 ft, \$21.50, 24 ft, \$22.50; 3x6 to 3x12, 4x4 to 4x12, 6x6 to 6x12 and 8x8, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$20.00, 18 ft, \$21.00, 20 ft, \$22.00, 22 ft, \$23.00, 24 ft, \$24.00; 8x10 to 12x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$22.00, 18 ft, \$23.00, 20 ft, \$24.00, 22 ft, \$25.00, 24 ft, \$26.00; 2x4, 10 ft, \$20.50; 2x6 to 2x12, 10 ft, \$18.00. No. 2 dimen-

sion, \$2.00 less than No. 1. Dimension, 26, 28 and 30 ft, \$25.00. Timber, 26, 28 and 30 ft, \$28.00. \$1.00 per M advance on each inch over 12 inch in depth and width. Tamarac dimension same price as pine. Spruce dimension at \$2.00 per M less than pine. Cull plank, all widths at \$12.00 per M. B. C. fir dimension up to 32 feet at \$28.00 per M., 33 to 40 feet, \$30.00, 41 to 60 feet \$36.00. \$1.00 per M extra for each 2 in. over 12 in. in width or depth.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Oak—Red and White—½ sawed, \$85.00; 1st and 2nd, 55.00 to \$65.00; common, \$40.00.

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

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Beans, 2s, 2 doz. 10 2 10
Corn, 2s, 2 doz. 10 2 00
Cherries, red, pitted 2s, 2 doz. 1 75 5 20
Peas, Marrowfat, 2s, 2 doz. 2 25
Peas, sifted, 2s, 2 doz. 2 25
Pears, Bartlett, 2s, 2 doz. 3 50 3 45
Pears, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz. 1 75 5 00
Pears, Bartlett, 3s, 2 doz. 5 00 5 00
Pineapple, 2s, 2 doz. 5 00 6 00
Pineapple, imported, 2s, 2 doz. 5 00 6 00
Peaches, 2s, 2 doz. 5 00 4 00
Peaches, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz. 1 75 5 00
Peaches, Canadian, 3s, 2 doz. 5 00 6 00
Plums, 2s, 2 doz. 3 50 4 00
Plums, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz. 1 75 5 00
Pumpkins, 3s, 2 doz. 2 25 2 25
Raspberries, 2s, 2 doz. 3 00 3 25
Strawberries, 2s, 2 doz. 3 50 3 25
Tomatoes, 3s, 2 doz. 3 10 3 75
Salmon, talls, 1s, 4 doz. 4 50 5 00
Salmon, Colchoe talls, 1s, 4 doz. 2 25 4 50
Sardines, domestic 1/2s. 06 08
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Corn Beef, 1s, 2 doz. 3 00 3 25
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Lunch Tongue, 1s, 2 doz. 6 50 7 00
Lunch Tongue, 2s, 1 doz. 6 25 6 50
Brawn, 2s, 1 doz. 5 00 2 75
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Potted Ham, 1/2s. 75
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Cornmeal, sack 9s. 1 45 1 55
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Rice, B. 4 1/2c 4 3/4c
Rice, Japan 6c 6 1/2c
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Old Judge 58 90
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Currants, Filiatria, cases 07 1/2 7 1/4
Dates, Cases 06 07
Figs, Eleme, about 10 lb box. 12 1/2 15
Figs, Cooking, Sax. 05 1/2 06
Prunes, Bosnia, Cases. 08 08
Prunes, French, Cases. 06 07
Sultana Raisins. 10 12

Dried Fruits Per pound
Raisins, Val., box of 25 lbs. 1 70 1 90
Raisins, Val. Layers, per box 2 25 2 55
Loose Muscatels, 2 crown 06 06 1/2
Loose Muscatels, 3 crown 07 7 1/2
Loose Muscatels, 4 crown 08 8 1/2
London Layers, 20 lb Boxes. 1 90 2 00
Apples, Dried. 07
Evap. Apples, finest quality 11 12

California Evaporated Fruits
Peaches, peeled 18 20
Peaches, unpeeled 11 13
Pears 11 12
Apricots, new 10 11
Pitted Plums 11 12
Prunes, 100 to 120 5 1/2 6
Prunes, 90 to 100 7 1/2 6 1/2
Prunes, 80 to 90 7 1/2 5
Prunes, 70 to 80 7 1/2 5
Prunes, 60 to 70 8 3/4
Prunes, 40 to 50 10 11

Matches Per case
Telegraph 3 60
Telephone 3 10
Tiger 3 25

Nuts Per pound
Brazil 12 1/2 15
Paragona Almonds 13 15
Peanuts, roasted 13 15
Peanuts, green 10 12
Grenoble Walnuts 15 18
French Walnuts 13 15
Sicily Filberts 11 15
Shelled Almonds 25 30

Syrup
Extra Bright, per lb. 3 1/2c 4c
Medium, per lb. 3c 3 1/2c
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins 87 00
Molasses, per gal. 35c 45c

Sugar
Extra Standard Granulated. 5 1/2c 5 3/4c
German Granulated 7c
Extra Ground 6 1/2c
Powdered 4 1/2c
Bright Yellow Sugar 4 1/2c
Maple Sugar 11c 12c

Salt Per pound
Rock Salt 1 1/2c 1 1/2c
Common, fine 1 00 2 00
Common, coarse 1 00 2 00
Dairy, 100-3 3 25 3 50
Dairy, 60-5 3 15 3 20

Dairy, white duck sack 00 50
Common, fine jute sack 00 45

Spices Per doz.
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins 75 90
Allspice, whole 18 20
Allspice, pure ground 18 20
Allspice, compound 15 20
Cassia, whole 18 20
Cassia, pure ground 20 25
Cassia, compound 13 18
Cloves, whole 18 25
Cloves, pure ground 25 30
Cloves, compound 18 20
Pepper, black, whole 10 15
Pepper, black, pure ground 13 15
Pepper, black, compound 10 13
Pepper, white, whole 20 25
Pepper, white, pure ground 25 35
Pepper, white, compound 18 20
Pepper, Cayenne 30 35
Ginger, whole, Jamaica 25 30
Ginger, whole, Cochon 20 25
Ginger, pure ground 25 30
Ginger, compound 15 25
Nutmegs, (per pound) 60 1 00
Mace (per pound) 1 00 1 25

Teas Per pound
China Blacks—
Choice 35 40
Medium 25 35
Common 13 20
Indian and Ceylon—
Choice 32 40
Medium 25 32
Common 22 28
Young Hysons—
Choice 35 45
Medium 25 35
Common 22 30
Japan—
Finest May Picking 35 40
Choice 30 35
Fine 25 30
Good Medium 20 25
Common 15 20

Tobacco Per pound
T. & B., 3s, 1s, and 9s Cuds 00 70
Lily, Ss, cuds 00 63
Crescent, Ss, cuds 00 60
T. & B. Black Chewing, 8s or 16s 00 64
T. & B. Mahogany Chewing, Ss or 16s 00 64
T. & B., 1-12 pkg, cut 00 59
T. & B., 1-5 pkg, cut 00 91
T. & B. in pouches, 1-4 00 91
T. & B. in 1-5 tins 00 99
T. & B. in 1/2 tins 00 90
T. & B. in 1s tins 00 87
Orinoco, 1-12 pkg. 00 85
Orinoco, 1-5 tins 00 91
Orinoco, 1/2 tins 00 86
Tuckett's Cherub Cigarette 1-12 00 87
Brier, 7s, cuds 00 65
Derby, 3s, cuds 00 68
Derby, 7s, cuds 00 68
P. & W. Chewing, Cuds 00 66
P. & W. Chewing, Butts 00 66

Wooden Ware Per doz.
Pails, 2 hoop clear 1 50 1 60
Pails, wire hoop 2 25 2 40
Pails, Star fibre 4 00
Tubs, No. 0 common 9 50 10 50
Tubs, No. 1 common 8 50 9 00
Tubs, No. 2 common 6 50 7 00
Tubs, No. 3 common 5 50 6 00
Tubs, nests (3) 1 65 1 75
Tubs, wire hoop (3) 2 25 2 40
Tubs, fibre, No. 0 16 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 1 11 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 2 12 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 3 10 50
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (2) 50 55
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (3) 75 80

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Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb tins, per case of 60 lbs 6 00
Lard, Tierces, per lb 5 1/2 5 1/2

Smoked Meats per lb.
Hams 11 11 1/2
Breakfast bacon, bellies 11 1/2 12
Breakfast bacon, backs 10 1/2 11
Spiced rolls 8 1/2 9
Shoulders 5 8 1/2
Long Clear 9 1/2 9 1/2

Dry Salt Meats
Long clear bacon 5 1/2 9
Bonele 1 Shoulders 5 1/2 8 1/2
Backs 9 9 1/2
Imported Short Clear 5 1/2 8 1/2

Barrel Pork Per barrel
Heavy mess 15 50 16 00
Short cut 16 50 17 00

Meat Sundries
Fresh pork sausage, lb 7
Bologna sausage, lb 6 1/2
Ham, chicken and tongue, doz \$1 20
Pickled hocks, per lb 03
Pickled tongues 05
Pickled pigs feet, pair 15 lbs. 1 10
Sausage casings, lb. 20 25

FRESH FISH, OYSTERS

Whitefish, lb 4 1/2 05
Pickerel, lb 03 1/2
Trout, lb None in
Lake Superior Herrings, doz 15
Pike, lb 02 1/2
Salmon, lb 11
B.C. halibut, lb 12
Smelts, lb 06
Cod, lb 08
Haddock 08
Smoked goldeyes, doz 30
Salt Whitefish, per 1/2 bbl 6 50
Salt Trout, per 1/2 bbl 7 50
Oysters, cans select, each 65

DRUGS

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

Alum, lb 3 1/2 4 1/2
Alcohol, gal 5 50 5 75
Beaching Powder, lb 36 08
Bluestone, lb. 06 07
Bluestone, barrel lots 01 1/2 05
Borax 11 13
Bromide Potash 65 75
Camphor 65 75
Camphor, ounces 86 90
Carbolic Acid 40 65
Castor Oil 15 17
Chlorate Potash 25 30
Citric Acid 55 65
Copperas 03 1/2 04
Cocaine, oz 5 00 5 00
Cream Tartar, lb 30 35
Cloves 30 35
Epsom Salts 03 1/2 04
Extract Logwood, bulk 14 18
Extract Logwood, boxes 18 20
German Quinine 35 45
Glycerine, lb. 30 35
Ginger, Jamaica 30 35
Ginger, African 30 35
Howard's Quinine, oz. 45 55
Iodine 5 50 5 40
Insect Powder 35 40
Morphia, sul. 2 50 2 25
Opium 5 00 5 00
Oil, olive 1 25 1 40
Oil, U.S. Salad 1 25 1 40
Oil, lemon, super 75 3 25
Oil, peppermint 4 00 4 50
Oil, cod liver, gal. 50 2 00
Oxalic Acid 14 16
Potash Iodide 3 75 4 00
Paris Green, lb. 28 30
Saltpetre 10 12
Sal Rochelle 30 35
Shellac 35 48
Sulphur Flowers 3 1/2 05
Sulphur Roll, keg 3 3 1/2 05
Soda Bicarb, keg of 112 lbs 3 75 1 25
Tartaric Acid, lb. 2 00 3 00
Strychnine, pure crystals, oz. 45 55 1 06

LEATHER

Harness, oak Per pound
Harness, union oak No. 1 33
Harness, union oak No. 1 R 33
Harness, hemlock No. 1, anchor brand 32
Harness, hemlock No. 1 R, anchor brand 33
Harness, hemlock country tannage, No. 1 32
Do., No. 1 R 32
Black collar leather 36
Sole, union oak 32
Listowell, sole 27
Panting, sole 27
B. F. French calf 45 1 30
B. F. French kip 95 1 15
Canada calf 65
Canada Calf, Horseshoe 90
Horseshoe Brand Kip 80
Karn Kip 85
Wax upper 42 46
Grain upper 42 46
Kangaroo, per foot 25 50
Dolgoita, per foot 25 40

FUEL

Coal

These are retail prices, delivered to consumers in the city, or 50c per ton less at the yards, except western anthracite nut size, which is 40c less at the yard.

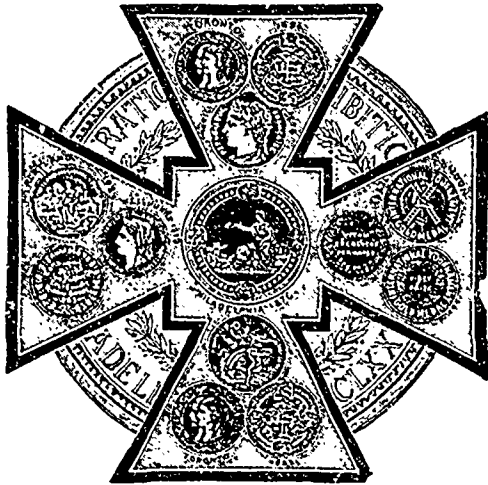
Pennsylvania anthracite—
Stove, nut or lump 10 00
Pea size 7 50
Western anthracite, stove 9 50
Western anthracite, nut 7 25
Leithbridge bituminous 7 50
Hocking 7 50
Souris Lignite 4 50
Souris, car lots F.O.B. mines 1 50
Blossburg smithing 9 50

Cordwood

These are prices for car lots, on track Winnipeg. Per cord
Pamarc, good, last winter's cut 4 25
Pine, green cut, dry 3 75 4 00
Pine, dead cut 3 50 3 75
Spruce 2 75 3 00
Poplar, green cut dry 2 50 2 75
Poplar, dead cut 2 25 2 50
Oak, green cut dry body 4 50 4 75
Oak, dead cut 4 00

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### TO THE TRADE

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Our Travellers will have the pleasure of calling upon you within the next few weeks, and we would ask you to kindly favor us with your orders, as our Discounts and Terms are second to none in the market.

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India Chutney            } Relishes

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**British Columbia Markets.**

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

BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, May 7, 1898.

Lard has advanced 1c. Oatmeal is 30c higher. Flour up 25c per barrel. Hay declined \$2 per ton. Hogs are advancing, but the market is easier for cattle and sheep.

Butter—California creamery, 26@27c.

Eggs—Local, 20c, Eastern eggs 17@18c.

Cheese—Manitoba 12@12½c. per lb.

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

Fish—Flounders 3c, smelts 5c, sea bass 4c; black cod 5c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 5c; herring 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked halibut 10c; kippered cod 9c, sturgeon 6c, smoked salmon 10c; kippered herring 8c; fresh halibut, 6c; spring, salmon, 6c.

Vegetables—Potatoes 8@12 per ton, ashcrofts \$19.50; local onions, 4c; cabbage 2½c lb; carrots, turnips and beets \$12.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons 2 25@2.75 box, Navel oranges, 2.75 @ \$3.25; seedling oranges, 1.50@2.25; bananas, bunch \$2.75.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$3.05; 2 45 pounds sacks \$3.15; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.30; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50 Oatmeal 10 10's, \$3.55; 2 50's, \$3.30. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.80 per sack.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$6.75; strong bakers \$6.45, Oregon, jobbers price \$6.50.

Grain—Oats, 25@30 per ton; wheat 27@30 per ton; barley, 27@30 per ton.

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$26.00 per ton; ground barley, \$26 ton; shorts \$24 ton; bran \$22; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$16 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 8½@9½c; mutton 11c; Australian mutton, 10c; pork 8½; veal 9@10c; Pemmican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, 5.00 @ \$5.50 per 100 lbs; sheep, 5.50@5.75 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 @ 7.50 per 100 lbs; cows, 4.50@5.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens, 1.50 to \$1.60 pair.

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

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

Sugars—Powdered and icing, 6½c; Paris lump, 5½c; granulated, 4½c; extra C. 4½c, fancy yellows 4c, yellow 3½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 1½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.65 each; 1 gal. tins, \$4.25 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.00 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

**Toronto Hardware Market.**

Toronto, May 7.

Pig Iron—\$15@15.50.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.50@1.60; hoop and band iron, \$1.85 for Canadian and \$2 for imported; hoop iron \$2.

Sheet Steel—12-gauge, \$2.25 per 100 lbs; 16-gauge, \$2.40; 18@20, \$2.30@2.40; 22@24, \$2.30@2.40; 26, \$2.35@2.45; 28, \$2.45@2.55.

Galvanized Iron—16-gauge, 3½c; 18@24, \$3.87½c; 26, 4½c and 28 at 3½c@4.

Lead—Pig, imported, 4@4½c; domestic, 3½c @ 3½; sheet, 5½c per lb; shot, can., dis. 12½ per cent

Black Iron—10@12 gauge, \$2.25@2.40 per 100 lbs; 14@16 gauge, \$2.60@2.70; 18@20 gauge, \$2.30@2.40; 22@24 gauge, \$2.25@2.35; 26 gauge, \$2.30@2.40; 28-gauge, \$2.45@2.55.

Coil chain—½ in. \$4 65; 5-16 in. \$3 75; ¾ in., \$3.25; 7-16 in. \$3.15; 1 in., \$3.10; 1 ¼ in., \$2.80; 1 ½ in., \$2.75.

Zinc—Sheet, 5½c per lb.

Antimony—9@9½c, solder, 11c@12.

Ingot Copper—12½c@13 per lb.

Ingot Tin—16½c@17.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35, do, 60-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.50; all-bright "Garth," \$2.60 per box; do, "alaska," \$3.00.

Timplates—Cokes, \$3.00@3.10 for 14x 20; do, squares, \$3.15@3.25; \$6.25 for 20 x 28, charcoal plates, \$3.50@3.60 basis for good brands.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., ½ inch., \$1.57, ¾ inch., \$2.20, 1 inch, \$2.65; 1 inch, \$3.65; 1 ¼ inch, \$4.75; 1 ½ inch, \$6.20; 2 inch, \$8.35. Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.50, ¾ inch, \$4.25, 1 inch, \$3.50, 1 ¼ inch, \$3.10; 1 ½ inch, \$10.00; 2 inch, \$14.00.

Barb Wire—\$2, terms 30 days or 2 per cent., ten days f.o.b. Toronto.

Fence Wire—Annealed, oiled and annealed, 35 per cent.; galvanized, 30 per cent.; terms 4 months or 3 per cent. 30 days.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.90 for delivery in Toronto, Montreal and London; terms, four months or 3 per cent off for cash 30 days.

Cut Nails—\$1.80@1.85 base price Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

Horse Nails—Discount on regular brands, 50 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron, light and medium pattern, \$3.25@3.35 per keg, Toronto and Hamilton.

Screws—Flat head bright, 87½c and 10, round head bright, 80 and 10; flat head brass, 82½ and 10; round head brass, 75 and 10 per cent.

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, 70 and 10 per cent; tire bolts, 70; machine bolts, 60 and 10; sleigh shoe bolts, 80 per cent; plough bolts, 50 and 10, stove bolts, 70 and 5, nuts, square, 4½c; hexagon, 5½c. Rivets—Iron, 65 per cent, all sizes; copper rivets, 50 and 10.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.45, and in 100-foot boxes, \$2.75; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$4. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per; cent 30 days.

Green Wirecloth—\$1.20 per 100 square feet; terms, 4 months or 3 per cent for 30 days.

Spades and Shovels—Discounts 45 and 2½ per cent.

Harvest Tools—Discounts 60, 10 and 5 per cent.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 7½c; ¾ in., 8½c; 1 and 5-16 in., 8½c; Manila, 7-16 and larger, 9c; ¾, 9½c; 1 and 5-16, 10c.

Binder Twine—Pure Manila, 6½c@6¾.

**Toronto Grocery Market.**

Toronto, May 7.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4½c; No. 2 granulated, 4½c; Dutch granulated, 4 7-16c @ 4½; yellows, 3 13-16 @ 4½c.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 28c@30c; special bright, 35c@42c. Molasses—West Indian, brls, 32c@45c; New Orleans, 23c@30; for medium and 35c@50c for bright.

Teas—Japans, low grade, 15c@17c per lb; mediums, 18c@24c; fines, 30@35c; Hysons, mediums 16c@19c; Congous, low grades, 10c@15c, mediums, 22c@25c, and fines, 40c@55c; Oologs, 25c@65c; Ceylons, 17@45c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 7½@12½c, Mocha, 26c@30c; Java, 28c@32c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.20@1.30; peas, 90@91; sifted peas, \$1.05@1.20; corn, 90@95c; beans, 75@90c; pumpkins, 70@75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1 60 @ 1.80; raspberries, 2's, \$1.50@1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.40@1.65; 3's, \$2@2.40. Cohoes Salmon, 95c@1; sock-eyes, \$1.17½@1.30, mackerel, \$1.30@1.40; lobsters, halves, \$1.60@1.70; tall lbs, \$2.40@2.65; flats, \$2.90@3.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk, 4½c@5c; fine, off-stalk, 5½c@5½c; selected, 6@6½c; layers, 6½@7c; Provincial, currants, 6½@6½c, Filiatras, 6½@7c, Patras, 7c@7½c; Vostizzas, 8c@8½c; California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 9c@14c, pears, 9c@10c, peaches, 10c@14c; prunes, 40's to 50's, 10c@11c; 50's to 60's, 8c@8½c; 60's to 70's, 7½c@8c; 70's to 80's, 7c@7½c, 80's to 90's, 6½c@7c; 90's to 100's, 6@6½c. Bosnia prunes, 5½@6½c; Sultanas, 10c@12½c. Peel—Orange, 12c @15c per lb; citron, 18c@20c; lemon 11c @14c. Hallowee dates, 4½@5½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.30@1.50 per box; black baskets, \$2.00; blue baskets, \$2.25; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters, \$1.25. Figs—Matts, 3½@4c; Eleme figs, 10 oz., 7½c; 5, 10 and 12 lb boxes, 10@12c; 6-crown, 12½c; 7-crown, 15c; bags, 4@4½c; 4-lb Glove boxes, 14@15c.

Nuts—Marbots, 10@11c; filberts, Sicily, 9@11c; Grenoble Walnuts, 11@12c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 33@4c; do Patna, 5½ @5½c; do Japan, 5½@6½c.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 27c; Cochin, 15@20c; cloves, Zamibar, 15@18c; Amboy, 18@25c; allspice, 16c; nutmegs, 50c@51; cream tartar, pure, 28c, 15 @23c for compound.

**PROVISIONS.**

Mess Pork—\$16.50 for Canada mess; short cut, \$17.00; clear mess, \$15.00

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7½c, ton and case lots, 8c. Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 11@11½c; hams, large 10@10½c and 11@11½c for small; picnic hams, 9½@9½c; rolls, 8½ to 9c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 7½c; tubs and pails, 7¾ @ 8c.

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**TO THE TRADE**

# **Reliance CIGAR FACTORY**

**62 MCGILL STREET, MONTREAL**

I have purchased all the Assets connected with the above factory (formerly operated by Tasse, Wood & Co.) consisting of Stock Manufactured and Unmanufactured, Registered Brands, Trade Marks, Book Debts, etc., and have taken possession and management of the business

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And will continue to manufacture the old and well-known brands of Cigars :

<b>RELIANCE</b>	<b>RELIANCE ROSEBUDS</b>
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<b>AMARANTO</b>	<b>MIKADO</b>

A change in ownership has taken place, but **but no material change in internal management**, and no change in the high standard and reliability of the goods made at the factory, unless it be

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MR. REDLICH, who has so long held the place of foreman and manager of the practical department, will retain his old position, so that the trade can depend upon the same excellence in the make of goods.

I have on hand in bond a large and well-assorted stock of Cigars and Leaf Tobacco, which in the present state of the market, it would be almost impossible to duplicate.

My large experience, extending over 30 years with The H. A. Nelson & Sons Co. Limited and their predecessors, will, I trust, be a sufficient guarantee that the business will be conducted upon proper principles.

Arrangements are being made for representatives to cover regularly all the ground heretofore covered by those of the old firm, and in the meantime arrangements are complete at the factory for prompt attention to orders by mail.

I confidently hope for a continuance in the future of the liberal patronage extended to the factory in the past.

Respectfully,

**RELIANCE CIGAR FACTORY  
MONTREAL**

**C. H. NELSON**

## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, May 7.

The weather held fine this week and though rather too cool for growth it has been very favorable for seedling. Reports from the country this week indicate that wheat seedling has been practically completed under exceptionally favorable conditions, the weather being such that farmers have put in the largest possible area. It is certain that the returns will show a large increase in the crop area over any previous year. The big advance in wheat has come at a favorable time for those farmers who have any wheat left after their requirements for seed were satisfied. While the total quantity of surplus grain held over was small, quite a quantity of wheat was marketed this week by farmers, who received splendid prices for their offerings. The high prices paid last fall and winter, however, led farmers to market up their crop closer than usual. Trade throughout the province, which has been quiet during the seeding season, was brisker this week, showing the effects of the marketing of grain and produce which the farmers now have more time to deliver. In the city wholesale trade business is favorably spoken of, the volume being satisfactory to merchants in about all branches. Bank clearings at Winnipeg show the usual increase each week over corresponding periods of past years. Clearings at Winnipeg for April were \$6,240,000, compared with \$4,162,000 for April, 1897, and \$4,032,000 for April, 1896. The labor market is well employed. Men are being engaged freely for railway work throughout the country.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, May 7

### DRUGS.

The proposed war tax on proprietary medicines in the United States, if it goes into effect, may lead to an advance on some of these articles. Sulphur is affected by the war and is higher abroad, as is also saltpetre. Quinine is very strong and is costing higher. The Norway cod liver oil fisheries are said to have yielded one-third less than last year, and prices are firm. Castor oil is advancing at sources of supply.

### FISH.

Fresh British Columbia salmon is coming forward freely and is 1c lower. Oysters are now obtainable in cans only. No trout is in the market, but may come to hand soon. In lake fish the market is supplied with refrigerated stock, as spring caught fish are not in yet, and the close season is on for several varieties, such as pike, pickerel, etc.

### GREEN FRUITS.

California lemons are pretty well cleaned up so far as good stock is concerned. The last car in is said to have

been in burl shape and with a large percentage of soft fruit. Dealers will try to make California stock hold out until Mediterranean lemons arrive, which are now on the way from Montreal, where two or three direct cargoes have been landed. Prices of Mediterranean fruit will be about the same, or possibly a little higher than California stock. The last car of navel oranges is believed to be in and prices are firm. When these are exhausted the trade will have to depend on seedlings for a short time, though California Mediterranean sweet and blood oranges are expected in within a couple of weeks. Bananas have come forward freely notwithstanding the war, and the general quality is good. The outlook, however, is for firm prices. There is abundance of apples offering, some called fancy, but they have to be packed over before shipping and show a heavy waste. Best fruit is selling at \$1.50 to \$5 a barrel. Strawberries have sold at very close prices, possibly to clear out lots. Cut price sales have been made at \$5.50, but there is nothing in them for the handler at under \$6 per case. Pie-plant was temporarily out of the market. It is now down to \$1.50 a box, a further decline of 25c. The war has knocked out pineapples for the present. Tomatoes were out this week. Cherries are not quoted to re-ship. A few have come in, but not in condition to re-ship. Prices are: Navel oranges, \$3.75 to \$4.00; California seedling oranges, \$3.00 to \$3.25; bananas, per bunch, \$2.25 to \$2.50, as to size; California lemons, \$3.75 to \$4 per box; apples, \$4 to \$5.00 per barrel for best sorts; off quality, \$2 to \$3.50 per barrel, as to condition; pineapples, \$5 per dozen; pie plant, \$1.50 per box; strawberries, \$6 per case of 24 quarts; coconuts, \$1 per dozen; Sicily filberts, large 11c to 12c per lb; Grenoble walnuts, 14c; filberts, 10 lb boxes, \$1.25 to \$1.40, as to quality; 50 lb boxes, 17c per lb; dates, 6 1-2 to 7c per lb; Tarragona almonds, 12 1-2 to 13c; peanuts, green, 9c; peanuts, roasted 12c; pecans, 14 to 15c; strained honey, 7 1-2 to 10c per lb; maple sugar 11 to 12c; syrup per dozen 1-2 gallon tins, \$7; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels.

### GROCERIES.

The firmness on several staple lines continues. Molasses is irregular, owing to the war in the West Indies. The Porto Rico article will likely be cut off entirely, leaving the Barbadoes supply to be depended on more largely, in consequence of which the latter article is tending higher. High freight rates and the war situation is also affecting the sugar market very keenly and further sharp advances may be made in prices. Altogether the market is in an unsettled condition and advances in prices of several staple lines may be made at any time.

### HARDWARE, PAINTS, ETC.

There have been quite a number of important changes in prices this week. The greatest "boom" has been experienced in cordage. Owing to the revolution in the Philippine Islands, the supply of raw material has been interfered with for some time and as a consequence stocks of hemp at central markets are very light. Now comes the blockade of Manilla, which entirely cuts off the supply. Prices have made several advances, amounting to 13-4c in all on manilla and sisal rope. It is hard to say where prices may stop. The market is very strong and holders are simply refusing

offers. Binder twine is in the same boat with rope, of course, and is held 11-4 to 11-2c higher this week. Some of the large factories are said to be about sold out. Of course the great bulk of the binder twine trade is over for this season, sales for future delivery having been made freely some time ago. Lumber oil has advanced 3c here. It is costing higher east on account of the sharp advance in freights. Turpentine is irregular. While lead is very strong. Prices are higher east and we quote 1-1c higher here this week, as foreshadowed in our last issue, though this advance is not fully established yet, the local market being somewhat irregular on lead. All lead products, however, are very strong as a result of the war, lead being an important Spanish product. An advance in shot and other lead products is looked for. Sheet zinc is 1-2c higher. Bar iron is 5c lower. Horse shoes have declined 15c per keg all around. Nails are also marked down this week 10c to \$2.55 for 4 1-2 to 6 inch wire nails.

### LUMBER.

The demand for lumber and building supplies is good. Prices, however, are not satisfactory. It is said that the new city list is not being observed and that price cutting is freely indulged in.

### LEATHER.

There has been no change in leather for some time. The decline in hides has not affected the leather market much, and the tendency is now looking up again.

### GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—This has been another week of wild excitement in wheat. Prices in United States markets gained about 1c on Monday, 1c on Tuesday, 8c to 9c on Wednesday, 9c to 10c on Thursday, and about 2c on Friday for the May option. The movement of prices is certainly a most remarkable one and can only be accounted for as a result of a spirit of wild speculation, resulting from the war excitement, assisted by manipulative influences. In the local market the situation in other markets has had its influence and prices have advanced rapidly. Wheat opened stronger and sold at \$1.19 to \$1.20 on Monday, for No. 1 hard, afloat Fort William, spot, or shipment from interior points. The tendency was rapidly upward on Wednesday and Thursday, when the unprecedented price of \$1.23 per bushel was reached here, and the same figure was repeated on Friday, that being the highest point reached to the close of the market yesterday. The "boom" came in good time for Manitoba farmers, who had just about completed their seeding, and they were rushing in any surplus wheat which they had left over their seed requirements. In order to secure the big prices offered. The quantity held by farmers was not large, but it was sufficient to make fairly brisk deliveries for a few days at some country markets. Yesterday in the Winnipeg street market \$1.14 to \$1.16 was paid to farmers.

The receipts of wheat at Fort William last week were 209,000 bushels, shipments, 295,000; in store, 853,000 bushels. A year ago Fort William stocks were 3,250,000 bushels; two years ago 3,612,000, three years ago 589,000 bushels, four years ago 1,

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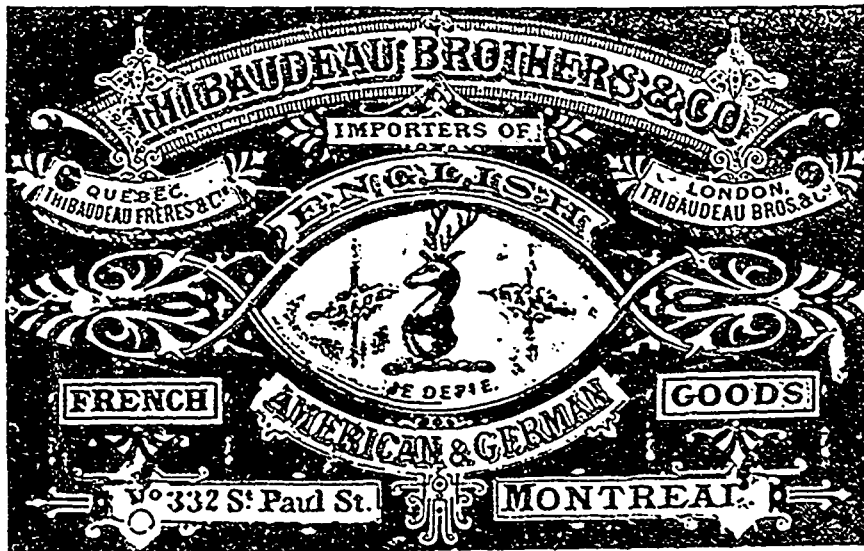
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**FLOUR**—With wheat jumping up at the rate of 10c a day, the flour market could not be otherwise than excited, but while prices have advanced sharply, they have not kept pace with wheat. Prices were advanced 20c per barrel on Thursday all around, and the Ogilvie company quoted another advance yesterday, making a total advance for the week of 60c per barrel, to \$3.20 for patent, \$3.00 for Glenora, \$2.60 for second bakers, \$2 for XXXX per sack of 98 lbs.

**MILLFEED**—Prices are firm, but not changed. We quote bran at \$12.00 and shorts \$14.00 per ton in bulk. Large lots \$1 per ton less.

**GROUND FEED**—Pure grain feed is quoted at \$22 to \$24 for rolled oat feed. Inferior mixed mill feed, \$18 to \$20 per ton. Ground corn very strong at \$17 to \$18 per ton. Oil cake is out of the market.

**OATMEAL**—Prices in lots to the retail trade held at \$2.20 per sack for rolled meal.

**BARLEY**—There is some local demand for seed, but there is no barley moving and practically none to be had. Nominal at 45 to 50c per bushel of 48 lbs.

**CORN**—No business has been reported in corn recently. It would cost about 45c on track here now, to lay down from the south.

**OATS**—The market is very firm. About all the oats held by dealers have been bought up by one local grain concern, so that it may be said one house has a corner on the market. The other dealers sold out in round lots at about 38c in the country, equal to 43 to 44c on track Winnipeg, freight paid. Prices have been advanced about 3c per bushel, and 45c per bushel is about the inside price now. It is said the principal holders will ask 46c. As we have four to five months to run before new oats will come to market, it is difficult to say how far prices may be advanced before relief comes with the new crop.

**BUTTER**—Creamery—The only thing done in new creamery so far is the purchase of a few little lots of bricks at about 20c for the local city trade. We hear of further purchases of creamery in the east for the British Columbia trade, at prices ranging about 17 1/2c, equal to 19 1/2 to 20c laid down at Vancouver.

**BUTTER**—Dairy—The market holds fairly steady at the prices quoted a week ago 18c still being obtainable for choice dairy, and we quote 16 to 18c as to quality for good to choice fresh butter. Of course the supply and demand at these prices is limited to local requirements yet.

**EGGS**—The market opened at 12c on Monday and declined to 11c on Tuesday and on Thursday prices were down to 10c, at which figure commission houses were selling. Packers are now in the market and they are buying for 9c net for receipts. The market is still easy and a further drop of 1c may take place, so that country dealers should again reduce their limit to the basis of a 9c market here at least.

**CHEESE**—Easy at 9 1/2 to 10c for held stock.

**DRESSED MEATS**—The market is firmer all around and the tendency is higher for beef and hogs. Live hogs and cattle are resting higher. In fact the market for beef and hogs is very strong. Receipts of hogs are light. We quote hogs 7 to 7 1/4c for country dressed. Beef 6 1/2 to 6 3/4c for city

dressed, and up to 7c has been paid for choicest beef. Mutton 8c for cold storage stock and 9 to 10c for fresh dressed. Veal, 7 to 9c, as to quality.

**DRESSED POULTRY**—Good chickens will bring 60c to 75c per pair live, and turkeys 11c per lb. live weight or 15c dressed.

**GAME**—No game offering. Close season for ducks.

**CURED MEATS AND LARD**—The market is very strong but there is no advance here yet. See quotations on another page.

**VEGETABLES**—Pie plant is lower. Other lines about same. Potatoes 35 to 40c per bushel, as to quality and variety, onions, native, 2 to 2 1/2c per lb.; imported, 3c to 4c, as to quality; cabbage, 11-2c per lb; beets, 40 to 50c per bushel; turnips, 20c to 25c per bushel; parsnips, 11-2 to 2c. Green stuffs in onions, lettuce, radishes, etc., is offering at 25c dozen bunches; rhubarb, \$1.50 per box.

**HAY**—Held at about \$12 per ton for cars of baled. One car from Dakota has arrived here, costing about \$11.50. Loose hay sells on the street at \$8 to \$10 per ton.

**HIDES**—Advices from other markets are firmer. Hides at Chicago advanced recently. Calfskins, however, are weak and 1c to 2c lower. Local prices are unchanged. We quote green hides, No. 1 6 1/2-2c; kip 6 to 6 1/2-2c; calf 7 to 9c lb; deacon skins, 15 to 25c each; sheep pelts nominal at 75c to 80c each for fresh skins; horse hides, 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

**WOOL**—Nominal and easy at 8 to 9c. In the United States wool is very dull and buyers are bidding 1 to 2c lower.

**TALLOW**—Quoted at 3 1/2-2c for No. 1 and No. 2 to 2 1/2-2c for other grades as to quality.

**SENECA ROOT**—Nominal and weak. No demand from consuming markets. Quoted 10 to 15c.

**LIVE STOCK.**

**CATTLE**—Stocker cattle are still in demand to ship south at \$10 to \$13 for yearlings and \$17 to \$24 for two years old cattle. Some also are going to the western ranchers. British markets declined again, but the British market is not any guide to the local situation this season, as prices for the local trade and for British Columbia are too high for export and it is not likely any export business will be done worth mentioning and grass cattle are ready to ship. The tendency is upward. We quote the local market for butchers' cattle at 3 1/2 to 4c for fat to choice fat stock and it is said 4 1/4 to 4 1/2c for this week by a city butcher for a load or two.

**SHEEP**—The market is steady at about 4 1/2-2c. Lambs \$2.50 to \$3.50 each.

**HOGS**—The market is firm at 5 1/2-8c for best bacon hogs, showing an advance of 1-8c this week. The supply is limited and unless offerings increase materially they will hardly be equal to the local demand. We quote choice bacon hogs, weighing 150 to 250 lbs at 5 1/2-8c per lb; 250 to 300 lbs, \$4.25 to \$4.75; heavy hogs over 300 lbs, \$3.25 to \$4, as to quality, live weight.

**HORSES**—Horses are being brought in from the United States and the east, but the demand is quieter. The usual range is \$225 to \$250 for fair to good farm teams.

**Minneapolis Markets.**

Principal changes in prices compared with a week ago are as follows: Flour 25c higher, ground corn 50c higher ton, flax seed 5c higher, oats 1c higher, butter 1-2c higher, eggs 1-4 to 1-2c higher, hogs higher, poultry scarce and higher, potatoes 3 to 5c higher.

**Flour**—Prices in barrels. First patents, \$6.35 to \$6.55; second patents, \$6.15 to \$6.35.

**Millfeed**—Shorts, in bulk, \$10.75 to \$11; bran in bulk, \$10.75 to \$11; corn feed, \$12.50 to \$14.50 per ton as to quality.

**Corn**—Quoted at 32 1/2-8c for No. 3. Oats—Held at 30 1/2-2c for No. 3 White.

**Barley**—Feed, quoted at 36c. Flax seed—\$1.30 1-2 per bushel.

**Eggs**—9 1/4 to 9 1/2c for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 5c.

**Cheese**—Choice to fancy, 8 to 10c; fair to good 7 to 7 1/2c.

**Butter**—Creamery, 16 to 17c; seconds, 15c; dairy, 14 to 16c for good to choice; seconds, 13c.

**Dressed meats**—Mutton, 1 to 6 1/2-2c; lambs, 5 to 8 1/2-2c; hogs, 4 to 11-4c; for heavy and 4 1/2-2c for medium and light.

**Potatoes**—Car lots mixed, 10 to 18c; named varieties, 48 to 65c.

**Poultry**—Chicken, 5 to \$1-2c, turkeys 9 to 9 1/2-2c; ducks 8c; geese 7c, all live weight.

**Hides**—Green salted hides, 7 3/4-4 for No. 1, 6 3/4-4 for No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 5 1/2 to 6 3/4-4; sheepskins 40 to 80c each; tallow, 2 1/4-1c to 3 1/4-4c; seneca root, 19 to 20c.

**Hay**—\$6.50 to \$9.00 per ton, including timothy.

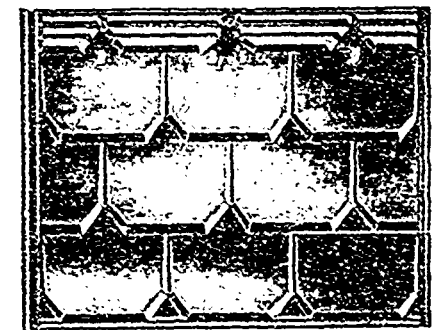
**Cattle**—Sales: 15 cows, av 1,971, \$3.50; 10 av 936, \$3.50; 1 heifer av 631, \$2.75; 8 stackers, ave 673, \$1; 1 bull, av 1,820, \$3.35.

**Hogs**—Sales: 52 hogs, av 228 lbs, \$3.35, 40 hogs, av 200 lbs, \$3.90, 74 av 186, \$3.87 1-2.

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Mr. F. Cloutier states that the report of the suit for recovery of certain goods purchased by him, shows many serious misrepresentations. He denies absolutely the allegation that he obtained any goods by false pretenses. When he went east in February he called on Doull & Gibson of Montreal, plaintiffs in the present action, and purchased \$375 worth of goods, which they shipped, and which Mr. Cloutier refused to accept when they reached here, a line of credit on which he had been depending having been withdrawn in the meantime. On the occasion of this visit to Montreal the question of a chattel mortgage or Mr. Cloutier's financial standing, Mr. Cloutier claims, never arose. Mr. Cloutier says he wished to reduce his order but Doull & Gibson's traveller persuaded him to take more; this and the fact that other wholesale dealers shipped more than he ordered, Mr. Cloutier maintains, is a strong evidence that they had every confidence in his integrity. He says that he challenges them to prove any of the allegations made in court reflecting on his honesty, and in order to clear himself of the imputations made he has instructed his solicitors to enter suit for \$10,000 for libel and slander.

### Oatmeal Duty.

The government evidently does not intend to do anything in regard to remedying the tariff discrimination against oatmeal milling in Canada, and which has led to the closing up of the oatmeal mills in Manitoba this season. This is a matter for regret. There seems to be no reason whatever why this discrimination should be retained. It could only have been an oversight in the first place in fixing the duty in the way it is, and when an error or oversight is discovered, there should be no hesitancy in remedying it. Not only are the western mills forced to close by this unjust and unreasonable discrimination, but the effect is also to give the western markets into the hands of United States millers, to the exclusion of the product of the mills of Eastern Canada.

### Alberta.

V. H. Mott, hotel, Lacombe, has given up business.

I. N. Burdick, has opened business in furniture at Lacombe.

Burch & Co., general store keepers, Red Deer, have sold out their hardware stock to Piper & Co.

Hughson & Mills, bakery, South Edmonton, have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by Hughson.

Ira Worth, late of Bradley, Illinois, is opening a jewelry store at South Edmonton. M. A. Worth, of the same place, is opening in the real estate and loan business at South Edmonton.

### Northwest Ontario.

Gold discoverers are reported from North Bay district.

The store next to the Hotel at Port Arthur, is being fitted up for John McDonald, who will shortly open business in fruit and confectionery.

Abel Denley, late of the Rat Portage Lumber company, and P. H. Austin, late of the Hudson's Bay Company, Rat Portage, have formed a

partnership, and have opened in the commission and general agency line at Rat Portage.

### Dairy Trade Items.

The cheese cable advanced 1s on white to 42s on Saturday last.

Butter opened rather easier again at Montreal this week, with sales at 17c. The receipts are increasing.

J. W. Mitchell, who managed the creamery at Whitewood last year, will this year manage a new government creamery at Churchbridge, Assa.

### Winnipeg Inland Revenue Returns.

The inland revenue collections in the Winnipeg district during April were as follows:

Spirits .....	\$20,699.25
Malt .....	2,349.46
Tobacco, mfd. ....	14,795.50
Tobacco, raw leaf ..	144.30
Cigars .....	1,579.65
Petroleum insp. fees ..	95.40
Licenses .....	37.50

Total .....

Collections April, 1897 .....

Decrease .....

### Financial Notes.

The Manitoba Trusts Co. will increase their capital stock from \$100,000 to \$250,000 paid up.

There is an opening for a branch of a chartered bank or a private bank at Fort Frances, says the local paper of that place.

At the last meeting of the council the by-law to raise \$8,000 for an addition to the east ward school at Portage la Prairie, Man., was advanced.

### Tenders.

Smellie Bros. & Co., Russell, Man., ask for tenders for a store building.

Tenders for buildings and sidewalks at the Winnipeg Exhibition grounds are called for.

Tenders for the erection of a stone school house at Napinka, Man., are called. Estimated cost about \$4,000.

### Movements of Business Men

J. W. Peck returned Saturday from a trip to Vancouver.

D. C. Cameron, of the Rat Portage Lumber company, was in the city yesterday.

A. W. Lusher, representing W. R. Johnston & Co., Toronto, arrived from the west yesterday.

A. Allen, wholesale furs, of Toronto, who has been in the west for a few weeks, returned east this week.

A. A. Mackenzie, formerly of the firm of Mackenzie & Mills, wholesale grocers, Winnipeg, but now of Rosshead, B. C., was in the city last week.

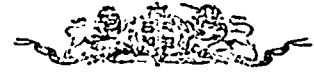
The commissioner of the Hudson's Bay company left Winnipeg this week for Vancouver to superintend arrangements for outfitting the Yukon field force, now en route west.

Bread is higher in Winnipeg, some bakers giving only 16 two-pound loaves of their best bread for \$1. Prices, however, are irregular, owing to competition among the bakers. Some bakers offer a second grade at 5c per loaf, retail prices.

### British Cattle Markets.

London, May 2.—Trade in cattle and sheep to-day was slower, and for United States and Argentine, prices declined 1c to 1 1/2c, but Canadians were sustained. Choice United States cattle sold at 11 1/4-1c; choice Canadian at 11c and Argentine at 9 1/2-2c. Sheep were 1c lower at 10 1/2c.

Liverpool, May 2.—Market unchanged at 11 1/4c for choice United States and 11c for choice Canadian cattle.



### TENDERS.

Sealed tenders marked "For Mounted Police Provisions and Light Supplies," and "Clothing Supplies," addressed to the Honourable the President of the Privy Council, Ottawa, will be received up to noon on Monday, 16th May, 1898.

Printed forms of tender containing full information as to the articles and approximate quantities required, may be had on application as follows:

"Provisions and Light Supplies," at any of the Mounted Police Posts in the Northwest, or at the office of the undersigned. "Clothing Supplies," at the office of the undersigned.

No tender will be received unless made on such printed forms.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted Canadian bank cheque for an amount equal to ten per cent of the total value of the articles tendered for, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the service contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

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FRED. WHITE,

Comptroller N. W. M. Police,  
Ottawa, April 26th, 1898.



### TENDERS.

Sealed tenders marked "For Mounted Police Provisions and Light Supplies, Yukon District," and addressed to the Honourable the President of the Privy Council, Ottawa, will be received up to noon on Saturday, 7th May, 1898.

Printed forms of tender containing full information as to the articles and quantities required, may be had on application to Superintendent A. B. Perry, N. W. Mounted Police, Vancouver, B. C., or at the office of the undersigned.

No tender will be received unless made on such printed forms.

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Comptroller N. W. M. Police,  
Ottawa, 14th April, 1898.

**TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, May 7.  
Dry goods—Considerable expansion of trade. The sales of dress goods the past season are the largest in five years. There is an active demand now for summer fabrics, and orders for fall staples and woollens are increasing. Values are firm.

Groceries—This branch is active; sugars are firm; canned meats are 20c higher. Starch 1-4c higher. Teas selling better and firmer.

Hardware—This branch is more active and prices of leading staples are advancing. Metals are tending upward. Lead and lead products are higher. Rope has advanced. Seal rope is 1-4c higher again, and Manila 1-2c higher. Barb and galvanized wire are firm. Pig lead 1-2c higher. Lead pipe ten per cent higher, discount being reduced to 25 per cent. Paris green 2c higher. Scrap lead 1-8c higher. Soldier 1-2 to 1c higher.

**TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, May 3.  
Offerings to-day were 114 carloads including 120 sheep and lambs, and 3,400 hogs.  
Export cattle—Fair demand at \$4.25 to \$4.40 per cwt.

Butchers' cattle—Prices ranged from 3c to 33-1c. A few head a shade better. Choice cattle sell well, but common are slow.

Stockers and feeders—Light stockers selling fairly well for Buffalo. As high as \$3.60 per cwt. was paid for some and the range from 3c up.

Sheep and lambs—Yearling lambs firm at \$5.50 to \$5.90 per cwt. Spring lambs \$3 to \$4.75 each. Butchers' and export sheep 3 1-2c to 4c per lb. Choice light ewes sold for 4c and heavy at 3 1-2c per lb.

Hogs—Heavy offerings, but firm market. Choice bacon hogs advanced to 5c per lb. weighed off the cars. Light and thick fat hogs sold for \$1.62 1-2 per cwt., rows 3c to 3 1-4c and stags 2c.

**FRIDAY'S MARKETS.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, May 6.  
Receipts of live stock of all kinds at the semi-weekly market to-day were 70 carloads. Export cattle were firmer at 4 1-4c to 4 1-2c. Very few reaching the outside price, however. Butchers' cattle firmer. Best sold at 4c, and ranged from 3c up. Sheep were 1-4c higher at 3 1-2 to 4 1-4c. Hogs steady.

**TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, May 7.  
The grain market has been active and higher this week, with large export sales of Ontario wheat. Flour is up 25c per barrel all around. Oats 1c higher. Hides are very firm and scarce and the market will probably open 1-2c higher on Monday. New clip wool is coming in and 16c has been paid for new washed. Dairy better is 1 to 2c lower than a week ago. Eggs firm.

Flour—Manitoba patent, \$6.50; bakers, \$6.00; Ontario straight roller, \$5.25 to \$5.35 in barrel.

Wheat—Ontario wheat, \$1.08 for cars at country points; No. 1 hard Owen Sound, \$1.35.

Oats—White, 35 to 35 1-2c for cars at country points.  
Peas—62c per bushel.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$12 to \$13 per ton; at country points. Bran, \$10.50.

Oatmeal—\$1.05 per barrel for car lots.

Eggs—10 to 10 1-2c.  
Butter, dairy—Large rolls, 13c; creamery, tub, 17c.

Hides—No. 1 green, 7 1-2c; cured 8c; sheepskins, \$1.20 to \$1.35 for fresh killed; calfskins, 9c; tallow 23-4 to 3 1-2c.

Dried apples—Easier, 3 to 4c; 9 to 10c.

Honey—6 1-2 to 7c per lb in bulk.

Beans—85 to 90c per bushel.

Wool—New washed 16c, unwashed 11c.

Seco—Timothy, \$1.60 to \$2.25 per bushel. Red clover, \$3 to \$4 per bush. Maple syrup—65 per gallon.

**MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, May 7.  
Oats are 2 to 2 1-2c higher than a week ago. Manitoba flour 50c per barrel higher. Bran and shorts are weak. A cargo of Manitoba wheat sold yesterday at \$1.38 delivered here, and a sale at Fort William was made at \$1.30 afloat. Potatoes have advanced 15c per bag. Eggs are weak. Butter and cheese quoted the same as a week ago, and both are rather quiet. Hides firm. Good export sales of Manitoba flour reported. Lake Woods sold 10,000 sacks July shipment.

Oats—10 1-2c per bushel for No. 2 white delivery afloat.

Flour—Manitoba strong bakers, \$6.25 Manitoba patents, \$6.65.

Millfeed—Bran, \$14 per ton; shorts, \$16, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$2 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green hides, 8c; calfskins 10c; sheepskins \$1; tallow 3 to 3 1-4c.

Eggs—Fresh 9 1-2 to 10c per dozen.

Butter—Choice dairy 15 to 16c.  
Butter—16 1-2 to 7c.

Cheese—8 to \$1-4c.  
Potatoes—70c per bag.

Maple syrup—Barrels, 43-4 to 5c lb.; tins, 45 to 50c; in wood, 4 1-2 to 5c lb.; sugar 6 to 6 1-4c.

Freights—Grain freights very firm at 3s 3d to Liverpool, London 3s 1d; Glasgow, 3s 9d. Shipments of live stock this week were 2,093 cattle, cattle, 200 horses.

**MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, May 7.  
Molasses has made a further advance this week to 27 to 28c, and is very firm on account of the war in the West Indies. Dried fruits are firm. Mediterranean organes and lemons are arriving in cargo lots and meeting with a good sale.  
Quotations are: Granulated sugar, standard, 4 1-2c at the refineries; Canadian-German granulated, 43-16c; yellows, 3 1-2 to 4 1-8c; molasses 27 to 28c; syrups, 2 to 2 1-2 as to quality; Valencia raisins from 43-4 to 5 1-2c; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 10 to 11c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5c, B. 3 1-2c. Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.25; corn, 85 to 95c; peas, 90c to \$1.

**MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, May 7.  
The firmness noted last week in linseed oil has culminated in an advance this week of 2c. Turpentine has also advanced 3c per gallon. Lead and lead products were very firm. Rope higher.

White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 4 3-4c; linseed oil raw, 49c; boiled, 52c; turpentine, 50c; bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50, tin plates, cokes, \$2.75 to \$2.90, I. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.75. Canada plates, \$2.10 to \$2.15; tern plates, \$3.95 to \$6.25; galvanized iron, 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c; lead \$3.75 to \$4; iron pipe, \$3.90 to \$4; putty in bulk, \$1.65; in bladders, \$1.80, ingot tin, 15 1-2 to 16c.

**MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, May 3.  
Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 500 cattle, 150 sheep and lambs, and 600 calves. The demand for cattle from local and export buyers was good, and prices were fully maintained. Choice cattle sold at 4 1-4 to 4 1-2c; good, at 3 3-4c to 4c; fair at 3c to 3 1-2c, and common at 2 1-2c to 2 3-4c. Sheep sold well at 3 1-2 to 4 1-2c. Spring lambs sold at \$2 to \$4 each as to quality. Calves were a glut and sold from \$1 to \$6 each. Cattle space has been taken for British ports at 35 to 45 shillings as to port, etc.

**THURSDAY'S MARKETS.**  
Montreal, May 6.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday prices were about the same for cattle and sheep.

Cattle—Choice, 4 1-4 to 4 1-2c; fair to good, 3 to 4c.

Sheep 3 1-2 to 4 1-2c. Spring lambs \$2.50 to \$4.50 each.

Hogs—\$4.75 to \$5 per 100 lbs.

**MANITOBA ELEVATORS.**

The agitation regarding Manitoba elevator regulations has been transferred actively to Ottawa, where several opposing delegates from the west have been lobbying for some time. Mr. Richardson gave notice yesterday of a series of amendments to the Douglas bill respecting grain elevators. The chief amendment proposes that railway companies shall provide at their own expense at every station where grain is shipped, facilities for receiving and shipping, or grant to any person who demands it in writing the privilege of erecting and using an elevator or flat warehouse.

**STARCH ADVANCES.**

The wholesale grocery trade were notified this week that from the 1st of May the price of all Canadian starch would be 1-4c per pound higher. The advance in corn is the chief cause of the rise in starch. This advance was foreshadowed in The Commercial last week.

**TEA.**

Advices from Yokohama by cable state that the market for new crop Japan tea has opened 2 yen higher than last year. This is equivalent to an advance of \$1 per picul on last year's figures, and would indicate a strong market. It is also anticipated that the higher standard imposed on teas seeking admission into the United States, which is fully 1c per pound above that of last year, will lead to a heavier demand this year, from the States, for the fine early crop teas.

The C. P. R. dining hall at Moose Jaw, Ass., caught fire yesterday, it is supposed by a spark from a chimney or locomotive. Part of the contents were saved but the building was totally destroyed.

## New York Wheat.

New York, May 2.—Wheat — Receipts 330,350 bushels, exports 107,443 bushels. Options opened weaker owing to favorable crop news and big northwest receipts. Thereafter the market was irregular, advancing actively on bullish foreign cables and covering, followed by late realizing, and a general break on all months but May. Other months were partly 1-2 to 1c higher. July opened \$1.01 7-8 to \$1.03 3-4, closed \$1.02 5-8; Sept. opened \$7 7-8 to \$9 1-8, closed \$8 1-4; Dec. opened \$5 3-4 to \$6 1-4, closed \$6 1-8.

New York, May 3.—Options opened weak and declined under weak cables and continued bearish home news. An excited rally took place in the afternoon, however, on reliable reports that the French duty had been removed. May closed 3 1-2 cents higher, July 3-4c up, and other months 3-8 to 1-2 cent lower. No. 2 red May \$1.18 to \$1.21, closed \$1.23 1-7, July \$1.00 1-2 to \$1.03 1-2, closed \$1.03 3-8; September \$6c to \$5 1-8, closed \$7 5-8c, Dec. \$1 1-2 to \$5 3-4c, closed \$3 3-4c.

New York, May 4.—Holiday.

New York, May 5.—Wheat Receipts 523,500 bushels; exports 77,859 bushels. Options opened excited and higher and continued stronger all day with few and unimportant reactions. The removal of French duty and strong cables were the features. A squeeze in May shorts brought a sensational later rise in the options, the closing being 20 cents above Tuesday against 13-4 to 63-4 cents advance in other months. No. 2 red May \$1.32 to \$1.45, closed \$1.45; July \$1.07 1-8 to \$1.10, closed \$1.09 3-4; Sept. \$9 3-4 to \$1 1-4c, closed \$1 1-4c; Dec. \$6 1-8 to \$7 1-2, closed \$7 1-2c.

New York, May 6.—Wheat receipts, 175,750 bushels, exports, 547,176 bush.; sales, 6,515,000 bushels futures, 240,000 bushels spot. Spot easy. No. 2 red, \$1.45 l.o.b. afloat to arrive, nominal, 93 5-8c l.o.b. afloat last half September. Options opened easy in answer to disappointing cables and suffered more or less all day, from bear attacks on the idea that the market was overvalued. Speculation was quieter than yesterday. Foreign houses bought moderately both of futures and spot wheat. May closed 1 1-2c lower, and over months 1-4c to 3-4c off. No. 2 red, May, \$1.40 to \$1.44, closed \$1.43 1-2; July, \$1.08 3-4 to \$1.10, closed \$1.09; Sept., \$9 1-2c to 91 3-8c, closed 90 5-8; Dec., \$6 1-4c to 87 5-8c, closed 87 1-4c.

On Saturday, May 7, No. 2 red wheat closed at \$1.60 for May option, and \$1.13 for July, and \$3 1-4 for September. A week ago May wheat closed at \$1.18 1-2.

## Chicago Board of Trade Prices

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

Chicago, May 1.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—May \$1.20; July 94 3-8; Sept. \$1 5-8; Dec. \$0 5-8.  
Corn—May 33, July 33 3-4; Sept. 34 3-4.

Oats—May 30 3-4, July 25 3-4; Sept. 23 1-2 to 23 5-8.

Mess pork — May \$10.90; July \$11.12 1-2.

Lard May \$5.75, July \$5.80; Sept. \$5.30.

Short ribs May \$5.47 1-2; July \$5.55, Sept. \$5.12 1-2.

Chicago, May 3.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—May, \$1.21; July, 94 5-8, Sept., 81 5-8, Dec., 80 1-2.  
Corn—May, 33, July, 33 5-8, Sept., 34 5-8.

Oats — May, 29 3-4, July, 25 3-4; Sept. 23 3-8 to 23 1-2.

Mess pork—May, \$10.95, July, \$11.15, Lard—May, \$5.87 1-2; July, \$5.90; Sept., \$6.

Short ribs—May, \$5.47 1-2; Sept., \$5.67 1-2.

Chicago, May 4.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—May \$1.30; July 98 5-8c; Sept. \$3 1-2, Dec. \$1 3-4c.

Corn—May 33 5-8c, July 34 1-4 to 3-8c Sept. 35 1-8 to 1-4c.

Oats May 30 3-8c; July 26; Sept. 23 1-2 to 5-8c.

Pork—May \$11.10, July \$11.30.

Lard — May \$5.95, July \$6, Sept. \$6.10.

Short ribs—May \$5.55, July \$5.62 1-2, Sept. \$5.70.

Chicago, May 5.—The leading futures closed as follows.

Wheat—May \$1.50; July \$1.02 1-4; Sept. \$5; Dec. \$1 5-8.

Corn—May 34 1-8; July 34 1-2; Sept. 35 3-8.

Oats—May 30 3-4; July 26 3-4; Sept. 26 7-8.

Pork—May \$11.02 1-2; July \$11.25.

Lard—May \$5.90; July \$5.92 1-2; Sept. \$6.02 1-2.

Ribs—May \$5.52 1-2; July \$5.57 1-2; Sept. \$5.65.

Chicago, May 6.—The leading futures closed as follows:—

Wheat, May, \$1.49 3-4; July, \$1.01; Sept., 83 3-8c; Dec., 81 7-8c.

Corn, May, 33 1-2c; July, 34c; Sept., 34 7-8c.

Oats, May, 30 1-4c; July, 26 3-4c; Sept., 23 5-8c.

Pork, May, \$10.80; July, \$11.

Lard, May, \$5.80; July, \$5.82 1-2, Sept., \$5.92 1-2.

Short ribs, May, \$5.47 1-2, July, \$5.52 1-2; Sept., \$5.82 1-2.

On Saturday, May 7, July wheat ranged from \$1.02 1-1 to \$1.06 3-8. The lowest price was at the opening and the close strong.

Wheat—May \$1.67, July \$1.06 1-8, Sept. \$7 1-4c.

Corn—May 34 1-2c, July 34 7-8c.

Oats—May 31, July 27.

Pork—May \$10.75, July \$10.95.

Lard—May \$5.82 1-2, July \$5.87 1-2.

Ribs—May \$5.52 1-2, July \$5.55.

Flaxseed—Cash \$1.36 1-2, May \$1.36 1-2, Sept. \$1.22.

A week ago July option closed at 95c. A year ago July wheat closed at 72 1-4c, two years ago at 63 3-4c; three years ago at 64 1-4c, and four years ago at 58 1-8c.

## DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—May \$1.17 1-2, July \$1.13 1-2.

Tuesday—May \$1.18 1-2, July \$1.15 1-4.

Wednesday—May \$1.27, July \$1.20.

Thursday—May \$1.37, July \$1.25 1-2.

Friday—May \$1.39, July \$1.25.

Saturday—May \$1.57; July \$1.44 Sept. 90 1-4c.

Cash—No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at \$1.58, and cash No. 1 northern at \$1.58.

Last week May options closed at \$1.16 1-2.

A year ago July option closed at 74 1-4 and two years ago at 63 5-8c.

## WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

After the close of the regular market yesterday afternoon, wheat sold higher at \$1.29 to \$1.30 delivery at Fort William afloat. Our telegrams from Montreal this morning report sales there, Fort William basis, at \$1.30. Here \$1.30 was made again this morning and higher prices were looked for after the close, as all markets closed strong.

## MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

On Saturday, May 7, No. 1 Northern wheat closed at \$1.45 for May option, \$1.35 3-4 for July, and \$9 1-8c for September. A week ago May wheat closed at \$1.13 1-2.

## NEW YORK MONEY.

New York, May 6.—Money on call nominally at 2 1-2 to 3 per cent., prime mercantile paper 6 to 7 per cent., sterling exchange steady, at \$4.84 to 1-4 for demand, and at \$4.80 3-4 to \$4.81 for sixty days; posted rates \$1.51 1-2 to \$1.82, and \$1.85 to 1-2; commercial bills \$4.80 to 1-4; silver certificates 56 to 57; bar silver 56; Mexican dollars 45; government bonds strong.

## MONTREAL STOCKS.

Montreal, May 6.—Com. Cable, Montreal, 170; C. P. R., London, \$5 1-4.

## LONDON MONEY.

London, May 6.—1 p. m. — Closing: Consols, for money 110 13-16; do. for the account 111; bar silver 25 7-8d; money 3 to 3 1-2 per cent.; rate of discount in the open market, both for short and three months' bills, 3 3-4 to 3 7-8 per cent.

## LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, May 5.—Noon—Wheat—Spot firm, No. 1 California 10s 5d to 10s 6d, No. 1 red northern spring 10s 3d. Corn—Spot firm.

Closing—Corn—Spot, American mixed new firm, 4s 3d, May 4s 2 1-4d, July 3s 10 6-8d, Sept. 3s 10 5-8d. Hops at London (Pacific coast) £2 10s to £3 10s.

Liverpool, May 6.—Noon—Wheat—Spot firm, No. 1 California 10s 6d to 10s 7d. Corn—Spot quiet, American mixed new 4s 2 3-4d. Lard—Prime western 2s 6d. Wheat—Spot No. 1 northern spring 10s 7d.

The Anglo-French Telegraph company give notice by petition of a bill to be introduced this session of incorporation for the purpose of constructing a line by means of a cable and land line from Vancouver to Dawson City with extensions.

Nothing will be done this year at the St. Andrew's rapids, according to advices from Ottawa.

The Canadian Pacific railway hotel at Banff will open May 15 under the management of Mr. Matthews, who has had charge for several seasons.

Mr. Stephen Nairn, Winnipeg, has sold ten acres of land across Louise bridge to Grand Forks parties, who will start a brick yard at once.

New York, May 6.—Wall Street—The market had its face marked with heaviness for Americans at London at the opening, declines there reaching nearly a point for several internationals. The prices here dipped below last night's closing, but not as low as London partly except in the case of New York Central and Northern Pacific stocks. Losses are fractional, except in the case of Tobacco. A number of prominent stocks were unchanged or showed small gains. The market rallied after the opening.