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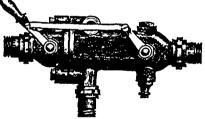
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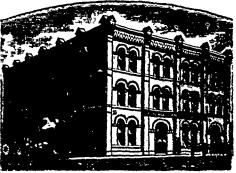
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WINNIPEG, NOVEMBER 24, 1885.

Mrs. Regues, has opened a general store at Gleichin, N.W.T.

R. H. Kenning, physician, Minnedosa, has moved to Winnipeg.

A STORE and post office is to be creeted immediately at Solsgirth.

-MILLAR, of Lizard Point, has started a stage line from Shellmouth to Allendale.

ALEXANDER & O'CAIN have gone into the wholesale liquor business at Port Arthur.

H. T. Despars, produce dealer, Emerson contemplates opening a branch at Pembina U. S.

SUTTON, HALLY & LAFFERTY, Bankers, Nelson, have dissolved partnership and are giving up business.

The stock of Leask & Rose, Brandon, composed of groceries and hardware, is advertised for sale by tender, As hotel has been opened at Shellmouth by Hill Bros.

THE partnership existing between Munro & Holt, contractors on the C. P. R., has been dissolved at Farwell.

W. C. RAMSAY has purchased the blacksmith business formerly owned by Thompson and Me-Lean, at Prince Albert.

JOHNSTON & Co., general storckeepers, Stonewall, have gone out of business and are succeeded by G. C. Lougstreet & Co.

R. T. LYON & BRO., general storckeepers, Carberry, have sold out their drug and stationery business to D. Gilbert.

WM. BATEMAN, baker, in this city, has gone into a new business, having opened up a fruit and confectionery store at 420 Main-st.

WOOD & KNIGHT, bakers, Portage la Prairie, are about to open up a fruit and confectionery store in connection with their business.

THE partnership between Knox & Barker, carpenters, Prince Albert, N. W. T., has been dissolved. Wm. Knox continues the business.

R. Rolston is about to creet a livery and sale stable at Oak Lake. Athur Rollis has already located there in the mercantile business and J. C. McLeod has started a blacksmith shop.

A can load of naval stores which passed through this city last week, reached Port Moody on Sunday night, making the journey from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean within one week.

Messas. Keith & Riddell of Winnipeg, intend to have a grand Christmas fat stock show at their auction rooms, commencing December 16th, and are preparing a liberal prize list for the same.

We understand in consequence of the death of the late Wm. Higgins, the estate of Wm. Higgins & Co., wholesale boot and ahoe merchants of Winnipeg, will be sold off to the trade in lots to suit purchasers. Offers for the stock, book debts, store and good will of the business will be entertained, Mrs. Higgins, the administratrix having decided not to continue it.

FROM yesterday the Dominion Express Co. will continue to carry goods on the Manitoba & Southwestern branch of the C. P. R. to within six miles of Carman, where a stage line will connect.

TRACK-LAYING on the Regina and Long Lake Railway has now reached the Qu' Appelle valley. It is the intention of the company to have a steamer on Long Lake in the spring which will run from the Qu'Appelle valley about sixty miles north. This will greatly facilitate traffic between the C. P. R. and Prince Albert and Battleford.

AFTER all we are to have a contest for the Mayorality in Winnipeg this year. Alderman Crowe having announced himself as a candidate in opposition to Mr. Wesbrook. While still adhering to our support of Mr. Wesbrook, that gentleman will find in his new opponent " Foeman worthy of his steel " we freely admit, as Alderman Crowe has shown in the council his thorough ability to look after the city's best interest in any position he may fill. The fight will doubtless be a close and a keen one, but we have no reason to expect any bitterness as there is no necessity tor any, and let the contest go what way it will there will be very little cause for regret in the result. Either man will make a good Mayor for Winnipeg.

New premises for wholesale houses in this city seem to be in demand of late. A few days ago Messrs. W. E. Sanford & Co. moved into new quarters in the Whitla block on Albert street, where they have fine roomy stores from basement to upper story. Now Messrs. Thompson & Codville, wholesale grocers, are taking possessior of their former premises, which they are going to use as an addition to those they have hitherto occupied. In a few weeks the fine new brick block at the corner of Princess and Bannatyne streets will be occupied, the north half by Messrs. Sutherland & Campbell, wholesale grocers, and the south half by Messrs. Hodgson, Sumner & Co., wholesale dry goods and fancy goods. Both of these houses will have magnificent premises, and the latter with the corner stand will bave one of the finest wholesale warehouses in the city.

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Business East.

Peter Camegie, tailor, Hamilton, has assigned.
I. Daze, shoe maker, Ottawa, has assigned in trust.

G. F. Fryer, druggist, Glencoc, has gone away.

Henry Harris, grocer, Palmerston, has assigned.

R. A. Martin, grocer, Tottenham, has ussigned.

McBride & Co., barbers, Ottawa, have dissolved.

W. H. Coulson, druggist, Exeter, has assigned in trust.

Jno. Bell, hotelkeeper, Veralam, has assigned in trust.

Fenton & Hall, fruit dealers, Hamilton, have assigned.

C. Laister & Co., browers, Toronto, sheriff in possession.

Robert Wilson, hotelkeeper, Ballymote, has gone away.

R. D. Hill, hotelkeeper, Bracebridge, was burned out.

A. E. Watson, grocer, Chatham, has removed to Bothwell.

Mrs. W. W. Welsh, hotelkeeper, Windsor, has sold out.

E. D. Chamberlain, grocer, Blyth, has assigned in trust.

Wm. Jamieson, grocer, Moorefield, has assigned in trust.

A. McMeans, grocer, Brautford, has sold out to E. Jonathan.

A. Stewart, general storekeeper, Fraserville, was burned out.

M. McGlade, shoc maker, St. Catharines, has assigned in trust.

Jas. Strutt, general storekeeper, Tyrone, bas assigned in trust.

T. Pilz, knit goods manufacturer, Berlin, has

assigned in trust.

Babcock & Luscombe, fancy goods dealers, Lon-

don, have dissolved

Jas. Foster, blacksmith, Frankford, has re-

moved to Stockdale.
R. F. Ferguson, general storekeeper, Cayuga,

has assigned in trust.

Joseph Morrison, harness maker, Bothwell,

has gone out of business.

W. M. Spurr, general storekeeper, L'Amable, has gone out of business.

J. S. Wallace, general storekeeper, Elmwood, has removed to Alsfeldt.

Hartwell & McCallum, general storekeepers, Morpeth, have dissolved.

Wm. Jerrett, of the Port Arthur planing mills, has assigned in trust.

McCloy, Chipman & Ritchie, hotelkeepers, Rat Portage, have assigned.

J. C. Hamilton, dealer in confectionery, Stratford; stock dameged by fire.

Jas. P. & H. Sparling, grist millers, Mark-dale, have assigned in trust.

McPherson & Mulligan, general storekeepers, West Lorne, have dissolved.

R. C. Andrews, general storckeeper, Argyle, has sold out to Rogers & Ross.

Ed. Axt & Bro., general storel cepers, Blake, have sold out to Burt & Windsor,

Phillip Cock, dealer in boots and shoes, London, advertises his business for sale.

Comstock & Halliday, real estate brokers, have dissolved; business continued by W. H. Comstock.

QUEBEC.

Avila Pinault, grocer, Montreal, is dead.
Louis Bergovie, St. Martine, has assigned.

Hyacinthe Lathic, undertaker, Montreal, is lead.

Roht. McJanet, insurance agent, Yarm, has assigned.

Roy & Faucher, furniture dealers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Charles D. Edwards, safe manufacturer, Montreal, has assigned.

J. A. Laferriere, general storekeeper, Berthies-

J. A. Laferriere, general storekeeper, Berthierville, has assigned.

Boyer & Frere, furniture dealers, Montreal, have assigned in trust.

Mrs. F. J. Jackson, dealer in fancy goods, Montreal, has assigned.

D. & J. Maguire, merchants and shipowners, Quebec, have dissolved.

Leon Arel, cheese manufacturer, St. Gregoire; meeting of creditors called.

J. G. Trahan, general storekeeper, Notre Dame de Stonbridge, is offering to compromise

H. Steinson & Co., biscuit manufacturers, Montreal, have dissolved; H. H. Lang continues under same style.

NOVA SCOTIA.

N. T. Bake:, general storekeeper, Tangier, has sold out.

James Basker, general storckeeper, Port Medway, has assigned.

David Annand, general storekeeper, Gay's River, has removed to Milford.

Matheson, Harley & Co., dry goods dealers, Halifax, have dissolved; Geo. H. Bayne retires.

H. R. Cunningham & Son, dry goods dealers, Guysboro, have admitted William R. Cunninghem as partner under the style of H. R. Cunningham & Sons.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Chas. Prescotte, general storekeeper, Baie Verte, has failed.

W. B. Belyes, grocer, Woodstock, has sold out to Emery & Segee.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Benjamin Hooper, produce merchant, Charlottetown, is dead.

Richard Burdett & Son, general storekeepers, Dundas, have assigned.

Jas. H. Cole & Bro., general stockeepers, Tyne Valley, have removed to County Line.

Chas. E. Pratt, general storekeeper, St. Peters; meeting of creditors called for the 18th.

Commercial Summary.

The total number of failures throughout the United States for the year to date, as reported to Bradstreet's, amounts to 9,627, as compared with 9,733 for a corresponding portion of 1884, as compared with 8,356 in 1883, and with 6,602 in 1882. The past week is conspicuous for showing a remarkable increase in the number of failures throughout the country, the total

being 227, against 156 last week, a gain of 71. As compared with like weeks in the three preceding years, a like increase is noted, excepting in the second week in November, 1883, in which the total was 205. The general trade situation throughout the United States reveals few new features. Among them is the colder westher in the regions tributary to Kansas City, Mo., Burlington, Iowa, and Omaha, Neb., in each of which there has been a renoval of purchases among retailers. In this the arrival of lower temperature has justified expectations. The movement of merchandise has not increased at any point. In certain lines business continues good, in others only fairly active, and in some it is dull and declining. At leading eastern centres seasonable goods are in smaller request than during the two preceding months. Manufacturers at the cast in many instances claim to be doing as well as at the corresponding period in 1884, but not a few are doing no better. Iron is firm, but buyers are not anxious. Makers do not look for a spurt during the current year. Prices are firm, but no advance has been made. It is a significant fact that there are eleven iron furnaces in blast in the Schuylkill and Lehigh Valleys which had not blown in on October 1. Steel rails are firm. One sale has been made at \$34, but \$32 is be. lieved to be the current rate. The advance from \$26 is due to combination among pro. ducers, backed by a moderate demand. Authracite coal is still active, and prices are firm. Wheat has been active and lower. Receipts at primary markets and at the east have swelled the visible supplies, and the export demand has failed to find a stimulus. Shipments by farmers are smaller. It is reported that two thirds of the Dakota crop has been marketed, and that receipts there are one-half less than last year. Indian corn is firm, but lower, due to absence of active interest in the near options. Stocks are small, despite the heavy supplies. Flour is dull and heavy and not in active request for export. Petroleum closes dull and heavy for certificates. The situation continues bullise, but the market refuses to respond. Ocean freights continue low and heavy, with the supply in excess of the demand. The movement of dry goods and of wool from eastern centres is reported to be steady, but relatively light, without appreciable change in prices. Grocery staples have been quiet, with lower prices on coffee and ociong ter. Dairy products are slightly depressed. Cotton futures are higher on the week in active trading and a disposition to anticipate and result of the worst features of late reports on the crop.

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W. WINDER, of the firm of Winder & Co., general storekeepers, Fort McLeod, is dead.

ALEX. McDonald, chief clerk of the general freight department of the C.P.R., Winnipeg, has been appointed assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Manitoba & Northwestern Railway.

THE Manitoba Milling & Brewery Co. have taken over the brewery formerly operated by the Portage Brewing Co. at Portage la Prairie. This Company's mill at Carberry will soon be ready to commence grinding operations.

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MONTREAL GRAIN SYNDICATE.

Under this heading the Montreal Star of the 7th inst., publishes an article containing an interview, all of which goes to show the unmitigated bosh with which eastern newspapers do get stuffed when they are attending to Northwestern affairs. We give the interview portion of the article in question:

"A Star reporter this morning was informed by a leading commission merchant that Mr. Mitchell is simply in the Northwest on private business, and he happened to know for a fact that the meeting of Messrs. Mitchell and Purvis was an unforseen circumstance.

'Is the Montreal syndicate going to do much business with Manitoba grain this season? enquired the reporter.

'Mr. Mitchell's syndicate,' the gentleman replied, 'was nothing more nor less than the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. Mr. Mitchell merely acted as an employee of this concern, and his operations were conducted entirely on their behalf. The company last year lost a considerable amount of money in the scheme, and our merchants here had to pay more for Northwest wheat than they could get American wheat for after the duties were paid.'

'Is the company going to continue this business this season?'

'No. They had enough of it last year, and saw that the business was operating against the country. Consequently they have reduced the freights on grain to such a figure as to enable farmers to safely ship their produce down to old Canada. I have it on the very best authority that the C.P.R. will not touch grain on its own account this year.'"

The Star reporter was evidently bent upon attaching great importance to Mr. Mitchell's Northwestern visit, and must have been astonished to hear that he was in this country on private business only. No doubt but that gentleman's business here was private and personal, especially when he learned that there were to be no "philantrophic" grain handling arrangements in the Northwest this year; and that his business was not hard to settle was evident from the haste with which he departed for the east once the ultimatum of General Van Horn became known.

The Stor reporter thinks that the statement that Mr. Mitchell's syndicate was one and the same as the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., and that he, Mr. Mitcheli,

was simply an employee of the concern is a matter of news, whereas the statement was made in The Commercial nearly a year ago, was freely copied by the eastern press, and reluctantly admitted to be true by the heads of the Company when they could no longer cover it up with philantrophic drapery.

The last paragaaph of the interview may be news to the outside world but it is unnecessary information to anyone conversant with the grain trade of the Northwest. That the leading railway of this country entering into competition with grain dealers on its lines would be to the injury of the country must be evident to any mind possessed of but limited business capacity, and that it was an unprecedented and unwarranted action for a railway to take, the company felt when they sought to smuggle it through with the covering of "philantrophy." That the Company lost considerable maney in their foolish undertaking is no surprise to anyone; and that there will be concurrant loss to the road by grain men refusing to construct elevators or warehouses on a road which may at any time enter into competition with them under a guise of philantrophy, the company have already found out by experience. That they should only discover all these drawbacks after the mischief was done seems a piece of unpardonable and block-headed stupidity on their part. But we suppose it was one of the "smart alick" fixings of the General Manager of the road, whose blustering vagaries have led the company into many a piece of folly, and will doubtless lead them into many more. It is well that the founders of the Company have the faculty of learning from experience, even when that experience is costly. Perhaps they may yet decide to use their own judgement instead of being led by the nose by one whose whole career has been sandwiched with bluster and bluder.

But we are to have no philantrophy in our grain business this year, and it is well so. Mr. Mitchell may loose a comfort able and lucrative job by the absence of the commodity, but we have no reason to believe that the farmer will get any less for his grain, or that grain dealing (ircluding the arrangements of the Farmer's Union) will be less satisfactory or lucrative than in former years. Straight business can have no connection with philantrophy, for in it all men stand

equal, while in philautrophy they stand as donor and mendicant.

THE WINNIPEG CUSTOMS' HOUSE.

The action of the Winnipeg Board of Trade at its last meeting, in so severely censuring the collector and surveyor of customs at this post, for their incivility and want of courtesy to the business public, is one of those unpleasant turns of public sentiment which unfortunately are forced before the notice of the public occasionally, and are alike unpleasant to the parties censuring and those censured. That such action on the part of the Winnipeg Board should be necessary is specially unfortunate, seeing that the party principally attached, the collector of the port, is not one of those political accidents hoisted into a position he is unable to fill, but a man of long experience in the customs' department, a man of no small share of business ability and one who should be able to discharge his duties to the Government and the public without cousing trouble or annoyance to either. But it seems beyond doubt if we judge from the certified complaints and the character of those who make them, while he may or may not have given the fullest care to the interests of the Government, has signally failed in making the transaction of business of our customs' house a pleasant undertaking to importers. That he has the fullest scope for making matters unpleasant and still keeping within the letter of his duty, no one can deny for the import duties and arrangements of Canada are probably as mixed up a conglomeration as can well be imagined, and a maze in which anyone who has other business to attend to than their study might easily be lost. The necessity for courtesy to the public is therefore very great in the customs' department, and seemingly the Winnipeg collector has failed to see this. That he should so fail is not astonishing under our present system of civil service appointments and managements. While a man's political and not his public usefulness is the test for a comfortable office, men in the civil service will naturally place more value upon their party power than their popularity with the public. In Great Britain where the appointment of civil servants is out of the hands of politicians, and competitive examination secures entrance, and experience and public usefulness promotion, the public are much better served

than in Canada and the complaint of inconvenience to a trader is one of the most serious charges which can be made against a customs' or inland revenue officer, usually resulting in dismissal if substantiated. Under these circumstances the public are well serve, and courteously treated. But to disprove the charges of the outside public or rather to neutralize them, all that is necessary in this Dominion is to meet them with political pressure The interests of the public and especially the trading public are at all times made secondary to those of party, and as a consequence party pressure will crush public pressure at any time. No doubt but our Winnipeg collector knows how to make use of that puissant commodity, and can be well assisted by his colleague in trouble the surveyor of customs and son of the Domininion Minister of Customs, who probably owes his present position to the latter fact entirely.

But the strongest point in the report adopted by the Board of Trade is undoubtedly the comparison of the customs' in this city with other Government Departments. The language of the report is very clear and decided upon this point, and we quote the paragraph in full:

"Your committee would specially draw your attention to the fact that in the Inland Revenue, Post Office and other Departments with which the mercantile community of this city are daily brought into contact, and have frequent business transactions, the courtesy and civility of Government officers is admitted by all, while the complaint and strong feeling against the local heads of the Customs Department is to be heard almost without exception from all who are brought into contact with them in business.'

Evidently the spoils system has not demoralized every branch of the civil service in .Winnipeg, thanks to the good sense and good nature of the parties in control. Only in the Customs' Department have the worst effects of the system been developed. This fact of itself might be worthy of the consideration of the Government at Ottawa, and influence them in favor of making some changes here. Whatever form these changes may take if they are made, let us hope that they will have the effect of putting an end to this unceasing wrangle between our Customs' officers and our importers. They cause much injury to the city and greatly decrease its import returns which even the Collector must regret. To what extent they do this may be judged from the

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fact that one leading wholesale house with Montreal connections at one time passed at this port over \$50,000 worth of imports inside of two months, whereas this year they have scarcely passed a dollar's worth, but get all passed at Montreal or Quebec. Incivility from the heads of the Customs' Department here was the sole cause for the transfer of all this business. Figures like these talk very loud.

HANDLING OUR CROP.

As we advance into winter, and the returns from the threshing machine begin to make their appearance, we in the Northwest begin to realize the mannitude of the crop of this year, and our estimate of its aggregate is every week growing larger. That we should be agreeably surprised in this respect, is not to be wondered at when we consider how many circumstances were at work which were likely to produce such a surprise. In the first place all estimates of the crop and probable export of grain of former years have turned out to be far above the actual results. The crop bulletins with which the people here have been entertained for three or four years have been of the most misleading character, and have been so far from actual facts as to make people skeptical about any crop figures placed before them, and really thay may be freely pardoned for their want of faith.

Incredulity requires very little to intensify it and the frost in the end of August last certainly intensified the feeling of mistrust of all crop figures in Manitoba, and especially of any which might appear in Government bulletins. There were people in this province less than three months ago who would have questioned the statement that our exports of wheat would exceed 100,000 bushels from this year's crop. But many circumstances have combined to completely change this feeling. In the first place time has demonstrated that the frosts of this fall did not cause anything like the damage to grain which was at first supposed. Then the harvest stacking and threshing time was the finest weather that could be secured for such work, and our grain is now reaching market without every meeting moisture in any way. Many a field which was deemed damaged beyond use has under these circumstances turned out quite a valuable milling wheat. Then we are slowly realizing that our grain yield this year has been something tions of two months ago.

unprecedented, and that the portion touched by frest while it has been lowered more or less in quality has scarcely been affected in quantity of yield. The beac proof of this is to be found in the numerous samples of frosted wheat which weigh 62 and 63 pounds to the bushel, while among the worst damaged few go under 60 pounds. Assuredly the results of our crop are surprising us, and they are at the same time giving us good cause for congratulation.

But the greatest proof of the heavy crop yield is to be found in the quantity of grain being marketed throughout the whole country. Some idea of our exports can be had from the grain which has passed this city going to the east, and during a large portion the current month the average has been close upon one hundred cars daily. Thus going out of the country every week we have well up to 400,000 bushels exclusive of what is stored throughout the country for export in spring or retained for milling purposes. What will be used by local millers will be much greater than last year, for the milling capacity of the Northwest has been increased during the year by nearly 1,000 barrels a day, and is now about 3,000 barrels, a figure which only covers roller mills and does not include the country grist mills. If these mills run only two hundred days in the year at full capacity they will use up nearly 3,000,000 bushels of wheat. That we will have two hundred days of exports equal to those of this month, we cannot expect, but it is only a moderate expectation to calculate that the year's exports will exceed one hundred days of the present volume, and that would give a total of over 5,500,000. When we consider that over one half of our milling products are exported, this will add another 1,500,000 at least, so that we can safely estimate that our wheat exports for the year will exceed 7,000,000 bushels, and we will probably discover when the year draws to a close that it has greatly exceeded this calculation.

There can be no doubt but quite a number of our farmers have found farming by no means profitable this year. But on the other hand the majority of them will have every reason for satisfaction with the results before the year reaches a close. The minority of suffers have no doubt suffered heavily, and still it is now almost beyond doubt that our crop yield has been nearly double in aggregate of last years, and the money it will realize in market will be nearly double that of last year. While therefore there are individual causes for dissatisfaction, the aggregate resuls of our 1885 crop are satisfactory and far beyond the expectaW. E. SANFORD & CO.

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WINNIPEG MONEY MARK BT

There has been no marked change in the state of fluencial atiairs in the city during the nast week, and there has been on the whole a satisfactory and quite confident feeling. In connection with commercial discounts there has been a little lull, which will doubtless continue until the opening of December, brings'renewed activity. The only point worthy of note in this connection is a slight increase in the number of houses doing their business at seven per cent. and there is a good prospect of that figure becoming the standard for all first-class discount accounts, while there will probably be a corresponding easing in ordinary and promiscuous paper. Banks are known to have plenty of funds, and have kept putting large quantities of funds into circulation in connection with the handling of the crop. More than one bank manager has lately expressed his feeling of a necessity for storage elevators as an assistance to the banking interests. Altogether the call for funds for commercial purposes outside of handling the crop has been light, but the opening of December is expected to put new life into matters and make them lively. Rates of discount are first-class paper 7 to 8 per cent; ordinary, 9 to 10; promiscuous and one name 10 to 11. Real estate mortgage loan business has not shown any change since our last report. There is still quite a volume of business being done in small loans in the country, but new business in rather scarce in the city. General satisfaction is expressed with the manner in which interest has been paid, improvement in that respect having been general as the season advorced. Rotes of interest still range from 8 to 10 per cent, but no good safe basiness can now be done at the latter figure.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

From the wholesale trade of the city during the past week there has been the same satisfactory report as given in our last issue, although the aggregate of sales made in all branches has shown a slight falling off. In goods of every day consumpt there has been no change, a state of steady activity having been mantained all week, and in a few instances there has been a little rush. The falling off in sales has been mainly in season lines, and this may be attributed to the unusually mild weather, the past week having drawn to a close without the thermometer getting down to zero this season. There is still an inclination to hold off on the part of retailers from sorting up in midwinter lines, and it is not likely that this trade will be all done until colder weather complete purchases. Still there has been no real quietness in these lines, but only, slight falling off from the previous week. In lines dependant upon building and out door contracting business has held up beyond all expectation, and although none of these lines have experienced any real activity, in nearly all there has been a straggling demand for many classes of goods, the calls for which are usually over by this time of the year. Holiday lines are beginning to be more freely called for, and in those lines where sales from samples of spring goods are made, quite a few travellers are out on the road and all report the prospect of a good opening of the season. The report on collections also shows a falling off in each returns, but not that payments are slow enough to give reason for complaints. The coming fourth of December promises to be a heavy day for payments at the banks, and there is doubtless some preparations being made which checks the flow of cash at present. Taken altogether the week has been a satisfactory one, and any falling off in sales will soon be made up by a turn of keen cold weather.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.

In this branch sales for the year are about at an end, and even the call for cutters and sleds has died away with the return of mild weather, so that last week was almost a blank for sales. The work of making collections progresses favorably, and as the season advances fears of short returns begin to be less expressed and no doubt less felt. The last week has been a very encouraging one for each returns, and still further improvement is looked for.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

There has been a rather quiet feeling in this trade during the week when the reason of the year is considered. Wholesalers expected to be about their busiest time in the rorting trade, but they express their belief that much colder weather is necessary before that can be reached. The report on collections is very satisfactory, not a complaint being heard in the trade.

CLOTHING.

There has been quite a lull in the winter sorting trade during the past week although some houses in this branch still report some activity in that way. Travellers are now on the road with samples of spring goods and report the prospect of heavy sales of these before the close of the year. The report on collectious is about as salisfactory as could be desired.

CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE.

Business in this line has continued fairly good during the past week, the average of sales turned over in that time being fully up to the previous week or two. Staples are still selling pretty freely, and there is some demand for fancies, which is expected to show an increase as Christmas and the holiday times gets nearer Collections are also stated to have been good.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

In this trade business has kept fairly active during the week, sales being up to a very fair average. The demand was principally from the country, but in the city there is also some briskness. Collections are considered very fair.

FANCY GOODS AND SMALLWARES.

There has been a fair business done in these goods during the week, although there has been an absence of any rushing activity. Sales have been principally in small parcels, and very varied in their nature. Fancy lines for holiday trade are not moving much as yet. Collections are reported satisfactory although a little slower than they were a few weeks since.

DRY GOODS.

In this trade business during the past week shows a slight falling off so far as sales are concerned. There has been a decidedly slower de-

mand from the country than existed carly in the month, while the city has no way improved. The weather has been altogether too mild for the sale of winter sorts, and some real winter must be experienced to stir matters up. Collections are reported satisfactory although cash returns are light as they usually are towards the latter half of each month when payments falling due are few and light.

RIGH.

The fresh fish trade has not been quite so active during the last week owing to a scarcity of Lake Winnipeg white fish. The supply has been light owing to the difficulty of bringing them to market by sleighs as the reads are not fayet in good working order. Sales of the quantity in stock are being made at 4 to 4½e for round lots and 5e for small. Lake Manitoba fish are now entirely out. There has continued to be a very fair local demand for smoked write fish, sales of which are still being made at 8c and salt white fish at 4½e alb in half-barrels. As yet no salt sea fish have been received on the market.

PRUIT.

In this trade the business of the past week seems to have quieted down some there not being quite such an active demand as during the previous week or two. Sales of apples are being made at \$3.75 to \$4.00 for choice winter and snows. Lemons at \$6.50 to \$7.00 a box; California pears at \$4.75 to \$5; Oregon pears at \$4.50 to \$4.75; Valencia raisins, \$3.25; Malaga grapes \$8 to \$8.50 a barrel; Walnutz 20c a lb; almonds, 20c a lb.; filberts 12½c a lb; pecans, 16c a lb; peanuts 15c a lb; figs 18 to 20c a lb, and dates 10c a lb.

FUEL.

Business has continued fairly active in this line during the week with sales up to the average. Round lots of dry pop'ar have been offered at \$2.25 to \$3 on track, and of tamarac at \$3.50 to \$3.75. Coal is unconged in price and sales are being made at \$9 on track for Anthracite, and \$7 for Pensylvania bituminous delivered; \$8 for Galt.

FURNITURE.

In this line the business of the past week shows a continued quietness in the demand from the courry. In the city matters lo not appear to be and better although a few sales are being made now and again. Collections are reported to be fair.

GROCERIES.

In this staple trade business has been steadily active all week, but without any rush or bustle. The flow has been about the same each day so that the week's aggregate sales foot up well. No complaints are heard about collections although they are not quite so free as in the beginning of November. There is still considerable talk about higher prices for some lines of heavy goods, but as yet no advances have taken place. Quotations are now as follows: sugars, ve'low 61 to 71c; granulated Sie; lump 101 to 102c. Coffees, Rios 13 to 15c. Government Java 32 to 33c, other Javas 22 to 27c Mochas 31 to 34c; Teas range, Moyune gunpowder 25 to 70c pan-fired Japan 23 to 45c, basket-fired 25 to 40c, Ping Sucy

young hyson 20 to 30c, Moyuue young hyson 25 to 50c.

HARDWARK AND METALS.

In light hardwares business has continued very good during the past week, there being still quite a neavy local demand and for western points, while in the city sales have also been above the average. In heavy lines and metels matters have been rather quiet, and there is not much prospect of any improvement as the dull period of this trade has about set in. Collections were on the the whole fairly good. The price of cut nails have advanced and all other goods may be considered firm as an advance to winter rates is expected to be made by the C. P. R. Quotations are now as follows: cut nails, 10d and larger \$3.35 to \$3.50; I.C. tin plates, \$5.50 to \$5.75; I.C. tin plates, double, \$11 to \$11.50; Canada-plates, \$3.50 to \$3.75; sheet iron, \$3.00 to \$4.50, according to grade, iron-pipe, 40 to 50 per cent. off list prices; ingot-tin, 25 to 30c per lb.; galvanized iron, 26 gauge, 7 to 74c per lb., according to quality, bar-iron, \$2.50 to \$3. per 100 lb.; shot, 6 to 61c a lb.; tarred felt, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

In this trade business has remained very quiet during the week there being very little demand from either the country or city. Collections appear to have been fairly good. Prices are unchanged, quotations being as follows: Spanish sole, 31 to 33c; slaughter sole, 33 to 35c; French calf, first choice, \$1.40 to 1.50; domestic 85c; B Z calf, \$1 to 1.10; French kip, \$1 to 1.10; B Z Vip, \$5 to 90c; slaughter kip, 65 to 75c; No. 1 wax upper, 50c; grain upper, 55c; harness leather, 33 to 35c for plumb stock; American oak sole, 60c.

LUMBER.

In this trade we cannot hear of any change or improvement having taken place since our last report as the dull season so far as sales are concerned has now been fully entered into. There are, however, some sales being made now and again of good lumber, boards and finishing stuff for building purposes, both in the city and country, but the aggregate of these sales cannot be said to be very heavy, [and the only other prominent feature of this trade at present would seem to be that the various lumber companies are pushing their operations forward in the woods, in collecting and hauling timber to the mater-edge to be in readiness to open up their trading in the coming spring, and this being the principal feature which will engage the lumber dealers during the winter.

PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.

In this line business has quietened down during the week, the demand having slackened off both from the country and city. Collections are stated to have been fairly good. Calcined plaster has advanced in price to \$4.25 per barrel. Quotations are now as follows: Linseed oil, raw 75c per gal., boiled 78c; scal oil, steam refined, \$1.10; casior, 15c per lle; lard, No. 1 \$1.25 per gal.; olive, \$1.50 to \$2, according to quality; machine oils, black 25c; oleine 40c; fine qualities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, headlight, 25c; water white, 30c. Calcined plaster, \$4.25 per bbl.; Portland cement, \$5;

white lead, genuine, \$7.75; No. 1 \$6.75; No. 2, \$0.25 and window glass, first break, \$2.50.

SADOLERY AND HARNESS.

In this line business has been rather quiet during the week, there being little demand from any quarter. Collections are also reported as slow.

STATIONERY AND PAPER.

In this trade the business of the past week has kept up fairly active, with sales up to about a fair average, the demand being principally from local points. Collections were also considered on the whole satisfactory.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

In this branch of trade business during the week was very good, there having been an active demand from both the country and city with a good average of sales. Collections are also stated to have been good. Prices are unchanged, but these may be considered as firm. Quotations are as follows: Gooderham & Wort's, 5year old, \$2.75; 7 year old, \$3.25; old rye, \$1.80; Jules Robin brandy, \$4.50 Bisavet, Debouche & Co., \$4.75; Martell, \$6; Hennesy, \$6.50; DeKuyper gin, \$2.75; Port Wine \$2.25 and upwards; Eherr: \$2.25 and upwards; Jamaica rum, \$3.50; DeKuyper red gin \$11 per case; DeKuyper green gin \$6 per care; Martell and Henessy's brandy \$13.50 per case of 12 bottles.

THE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The receipts of wheat in the city have continued fully as heavy this sek as during the previous one, and is keeping all the grinding mills going continually day and night without a stop. To eastern markets, however, the bulk of the wheat raised in the province is still being shipped, and from all accounts, the trein loads sent out each day will also average fully as heavy as last reported, while the stocks in store all over the country would seem to be accumulating. Prices are at a decline of 2c a bushel this week, and some qualities of No. 1 hard do uot appear to bring more than 75 to 76c. In oats the receipts continue quite heavy and increasing, but the demand does not show any more activity. Sales are still rather light and only to supply the usual city requirements. Barley has begun to move more freely, the reccipts on the local market here showing an increase but sales remain on the light side, there not being any very active demand. Flour shipments to eastern markets continued quite heavy during the week, one of the local milling firms shipments averaging five cars of flour each day, and the local and provincial demand has also considerably improved. In provisions and dairy products business has been very good during the week, the aggregate of sales being up to a very fair average. In butter the supply of the higher grades was good with a pretty active demand, the sales made being principally in these qualities and at firm prices, of medium and inferior qualities there is evidently not much called for. The receipts of boxed and barreled cured meats are now being put pretty

freely on the market by local packers, and if the qualities continue as good as some samples already seen, will compare favorably with the products of eastern and American markets, and will undersell these markets owing to the heavy freights and duty, which will put dealers in these parts at a great disadvantage.

WHEAT.

The receipts received in the city this week have cortinued fully as heavy as during the week before, and mills continue working day and night, the surplus of wheat not required here being shipped to the east. The prices of the different grades are quoted at a consider able decline, these now being as follows: No. 1 hard 78c; No. 2 hard 73c; No. 1 Northern 73c; No. 2 68c; No. 3 63c; No. 1 regular 68c; No. 2 60c; No. 3 58c; and rejected 43 to 53c according to quality.

OATS.

The receipts in the market have been increasing during the past week, but the demand does not appear to be any more active, sales being still very light and apparently only to supply the usual city requirements. Prices are unchanged, the ending quotations being from 25 to 26c.

BARLEY.

The receipts have been increasing during the past week but husiness does not appear to be very brisk in this market as yet. Prices are unchanged, the quotations given being for No. 1, 40c; No. 2, 35c and No. 3, 30c.

PEONIE.

In the city the mills are still working to their fullest capacity, being run continually day and night, and although the eastern flour market appears to be in a rather dull state at present, shipments to the cast are fully as heavy as the week before, while the local and provincial demand is also somewhat improved. There is not much surplus production left in sto a here as such is usually shipped eastward. Prices bave not changed any, millers' and dealers quotations being as follows: patents, \$2.55; strong bakers \$2.25; XXXX \$1.70, and superfine \$1.30.

BRAN AND SHORTS

The production has continued fully up to the previous week or two, and is in excess of the local demand, the surplus being shipped to eastern markets. Prices in the city are unchanged, quotatious being for bran \$9 per ton and for shorts \$10 per ton.

TOTATORS

The business of the last week has continued fairly good, sales being up to the average and the supply equal to the demand. Prices are firmer, quotations being now 35c for good quilities.

EGGS.

The supply during the past week has been heavy, the imports being principally from the cast, while there has been a good demand with fair sales. Prices are at an advance, quotations being for limed 25c and fresh 27c.

CHEESE.

This market has not changed very much during the past week, the demand still appearing to be rather quiet and sales light. Medium qualities have been selling at 9½ to 10c, and prime lots at 10½ to 11c.

BUTTER.

In this market business is stated to have been very good during the past week, the aggregate of sales made in that time being considered heavy, and principally in the better qualicies with prices still holding very firm. Sales of these grades were made at from 18 to 22c according to quality; medium quality quoted at 11 to 14c, and inferior at 5 to 8c, but not much of these grades were called for.

BACON.

The business of this market has been rather

quiet during the past week. The supply of local packing is now being received pretty freely and is being held at the following figures: dry salt 7½ to 8½c; smoked 9½ to 10c; rolls 1°c and breakfast bacon 12½c.

HAMS.

The demand in this market has continued fairly good during the last week and the supply of cured hams from local packers are now being received pretty freely, these are quoted at 13c and are likely to undersell the American product, as owing to freight and duty these cannot be sold under 14c.

MESS PORK.

Not much change in this market is noticed, the business of the week having been rather quiet. The price of local packing, which is being received freely, is firmer, being now quoted at \$15.50.

MESS BREF.

The sales of the past week have been fairly good though no great activity is noticed. Local packing which is now on the market, is quoted at \$15.50 to \$16.

LARD.

A fairly active demand has continued during the week and prices have held steady. Sales being made at from \$2.25 to \$2.40 for pails.

DRESSED HOCA.

The receipts have been increasing during the week and are expected to continue doing so. \$5 to \$5.50 is being paid by local packers, and in some cases as high as \$6.

MINNEAPOLIS.

The wheat market has been quite active the past week, with large transactions, but the close was rather weak, the majority of leading operators being on the bear side and the market sagging on all grades to-day. Traders are surprised to see that a sharp advance did not occur abroad, as the re mit of recent warlike developments, and as the days roll by without such a change they lose faith in the importance ascribed to the Servian troubles by well posted observers whose knowledge of European affairs is accurate. Many are inclined to adopt as their own the sentiment expressed by a leading miller, who charactesizes the little war in Bulgaria as of no more importance to the breadstuffs trade than a dog fight in Milwaukee would be.

There is nothing bullish in the situation throughout the northwest. This city is full of wheat, with large receipts in prospect. All elevator lines save one, and that not an important one, report free marketing by farmers as a result of the recent advance, or of the season's progress, which fully justifies our prediction of last week. One or two large elevator companies will hold all they get until their houses are full, but the others will ship freely and this means that Duluth elevators will soon show much larger stocks, with the prospect of being filled by the middle of December. There is nothing now in sight to prove that this move ment will not largely increase the already huge and unprecedented visible supply. The bears are voluble on this point and add the assertion that as the holidays approach the vast army of small holders throughout the country will begin to sell, no matter how the market looks, unless they chance to be frozen out before they get ready to sell.

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The highest and lowest wheat prices by grade on 'change during the week ending to

day, closing prices, and the prices one year ago were:

Nov. 19. Wheat. Highest. Lowest. Closing. 1884
No. 1 hard... 91 ... 87 ... 89 698
"1 north'n 86 ... 831 ... 86 633
"2 ... 801 ... 79 ... 80 581

Futures were strong and active at the close, with 1 hard, December, selling at 91c, January 92c and May 99½c; December 1 northern 86½c, January 87c and May 94½c. Coarse grains were easy, corn closing at 42 to 43c, oats at 28 to 29c, barley, by sample at 45 to 75c, and rye at 49 to 51c.

MILLSTUFF.—Has been rather weak, bulk bran closing at \$7.00 to \$7.50 and shorts at \$8 to ... per ton.

FLOUR.—A very light demand for flour is still reported, sales being confined to small orders from widely separated points, and it being almost impossible to get offers which equal the actual cost of the product. Millers report a better inquiry from the cast. They are filling orders from eastern points rapidly, so as to take advantage of present freight rates, having none which they can afford to fill after the 23rd, except a few from inland points not affected by the coming advance. It is the general hope that all will unite in stopping, not only here but at all leading milling point, until flour advances to a parity with wheat.

Quotations for car or round lots at the mills are as follows: Patents, \$4.85 to \$5.00 straights \$4.50 to 4.75; first be kers', \$3.85 to 4.00; second bakers', \$3.25 to 3.40; best low grades, \$2.10 to \$2.25, in bags; red dog, \$1.50 to \$1.60 in bags.

These quotations are on flour in barrels, except as stated. The rule is to discount 30c per bbl for 280 and 140 lb jute bags, 20c for 98lb cotton sacks, 150 for 40lb cotton sacks, 10c for 24jlb cutton sacks, and 20c for 40lb paper sacks.

Our mills have had anchor ice to contend with during the past week, and to the agency of this may be attributed quite an appreciable falling off in ou'put. Ice showed itself first Friday night, and came to the water racks of the mill in such large quantities that the most of them were forced to remain idle until morning. Several racks were damaged, and it was necessary to shut the water out of the canal Monday to permit their repair. During that time all the mills on the West side except one, of 1,000 bbls capacity were idle. The flour production of last week was 141,650 bols-averaging 23,-608 bbls daily-against 164,106 the preceding week, and 141,000 bbls for the corresponding period in 1884. There is about as much uncertainty about local milling operations as heretofore, although the 10c advance in freights Monday promises to be a potent factor in shaping matters. Millers state that they will ship flour until that time, and after that will commence to store at home. When they have filled up all the storage room here they will shut down. There are some points that are not affected by the advance, and shipments to these will of course be continued. With the new storehouses projected, the flour storage of the city approximates 200,000 bbls. On Wednesday three mills were idle and twenty were in operation, the latter being able to run strong. Two or three more were named to shut down

Saturday, and the proprietors of others were uncertain what they would do. The flour output may decrease somewhat next week, though it is hardly probable that the decrease will be very large, unless anchor ice interferes again, as it is liable any time. There is some demand for flour, but it is at prices which millers do not feel able to meet, and the business being done is very light. The best offers at present are two cents or more under cost of manufacture.

The following were the receipts at and shipments from Miuneapolis for the weeks ending on the dates given:

RECEIPTS.

Nov. 17. Nov. 10. Nov. 3. Wheat, bus ... 1,000,720 1,213,520 1,415,120 Flour, bbls ... 380 500 1,185 Millstuff, tons 174 57 135

SHIPMENTS.

Nov. 17.. Nov. 10. Nov. 3. Wheat, bus .. 94,080 145,600 230,720 Flour, bbls .. 122,470 143,443 171,320 Millstuff, tons .. 4,395 4,168 4,539

The wheat in store in Minneapolis elevators, as well as the stock at St. Paul and Duluth, is shown in the appended table:

MINNEAPOLIS.

			Nov. 16	. Nov. 9.
No. 1 hard			2,006,333	1,875,215
No. 2 hard			7,078	7,077
No. 1	• •		51,934	51,934
No. 1 Norther	n	• •	1,492,459	1,339,762
No. 2		• •	7,436	7,436
No. 2 Norther	n	• •	676,386	599,216
No. 3	• •		57,487	22,847
Rejected		••	126,276	140,659
Special bins	••	••	1,047,967	986,434
Total			5,473,346	5,030,490
		ST. P.	AUL.	

Nov. 18. Nov. 11. Nov. 4.

In elevators,

bush .. \$92,000 852,000 796,000 bulgth.

Nov. 16. I.ov. 9. Nov. 2.
In store, bush 2,003,908 2,011,269 1,766,195
-Northwestern Miller.

CHICAGO.

The wheat market opened here this week with an unsettled and very nervous feeling. morning papers were full of war news, and consols being at a decline, the market got very excited, with prices about 3c higher than the opening figures, but free selling at the advance effected a decline of \$c, so that more than the gain was lost. Operators were at a loss as to the course to pursue, fearing further troubles in Europe regarding the Servia-Bulgaria difficulty, and these war news were the principal factor almost each day this week, in keeping the market in a state of uncertainty and excitement, at times making an advance when foreign securities, especially Russian securities, French tentes and consols showed a tendency or were quoted at a decline, and then again going down whenever any rumors of peace were received from abroad. The receipts were light and shipments small, the export clearings being very light all the week. The corn market opened with a rather weak feeling, influenced by fine weather and increasing receipts, but brightened up on Tuesday, under large buying orders a higher range of prices was established, due largely at times to the covering or "shorts." Towards the closing of the week matters were rather quiet, but steady. Oats were very firm and higher, but cased of a little at the ond. In the provision market there was something of a "boom," which tended to sustain and advance the price of pork and lard, which showed a pretty fair gain at the end of the week, although frequent fluctuations were noticeable each day.

On Monday there was an unsettled and nervous feeling in the wheat market. Trading was active and prices ruled higher early, but closed weak and lower. At the opening, iufluenced by war news and a decline in consols, the market was excited and prices higher, but free selling at the advance effected a decline. Operators were considerably undecided which course to pursue, fearing further troubles alroad regarding the Servia-Bulgaria difficulty, and the possible increase or decrease in the visible supply was also a factor which made operators disposed to trade cautiously. In corn the feeling was rather weaker, influenced by fine weather and increased receipts, the weather being cold and favorable to the curing of the new corn. Oats were firm. Pork and lard were moderatively active, but prices were at a decline. Closing quotations were as fol-OWR:

			NOV.	Dec.
Wheat		 	899	901
Corn		 	425	401
Oats		 ••	27	271
Pork	• •	 	8.70	8.65
Lard		 	$6.12\frac{1}{2}$	6.15

On Tuesday in the wheat market trading was again active and the feeling very nosettled and more or less excited. The opening was rather weak, influenced by the rather larger increase in the visible supply than operators had expected. The receipts were also fair, and advices intimated that the great foreign powers might not become involved in the Balkan difficulty, and prices declined. Then at the decline fair buying started, "shorts" covered and there was some other speculative buying, under which the market began to rally. The corn market was more active, and under large buying orders prices ruled higher. The receipts were large, but the stock in store is very small and the visible supply showed a large decrease. Oats were firm and higher. Pork was moderately active and prices advanced and closed firmer. Lard declined at first, but recovered towards the close. Closing quotations were:

			Nov.	Dec.
Wheat	 • •		 \$0.903	£3,91‡
Corn	 		 437	42
Gata	 		 271	273
Pork	 		 8.75	8.75
Lard	 	••	 6.123	$6.12\frac{1}{2}$

On Wednesday a fair business was transacted in the wheat market and the feeling was unsettled. Fluctuations were confined within a narrow rarge, but the changes were numerous and rapid The uncertain outcome of the European troubles is having a tendency to make operators rather more cautious, and some are disposed to leaf off and await developments. Foreign advices quoted quiet and steady markets and the feeling rather firmer, but New York averaged lower. The market was governed largely by rumors, advancing with warrunors and declining on the advanced tendency of French rentes, Russian securities, and consols. The corn market was again active, with a higher range of prices, due largely to "shorts" covering. Oats were also much firmer. Pork and lard was in active demand, with prices advanced. Closing quotations were:

					Oct.	Nov.
Whea	t		••		\$0.893	\$0.90}
Corn	• •				435	421
Oats				• •	28	28
Pork		• •			3.85	8.85
Lard					6.175	6.173

On Thursday a moderate business was transacted in the wheet market, the feeling being again rather nervous and unsettled. Operators are still rather timid and undecided which course to pursue, owing to the unsettled condition of affairs broad. At times there was some disposition to sell, but whenever the merket showed signs of weakness, numerous brokers entered and took all offered, supposed to be on behalf of a prominent local operator, which always had the effect of changing the course of the market. The corn market was rather more quiet to-day, but the feeling was rather firm. Oats were quiet and not so buoyant as for a few days past. Considerable interest was centred in the pork market, speculative trading being unusually brisk. Lard was more active and stronger. Closing quotations were:

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On Friday the whest market opened lower than yesterday's closing figures, influenced by less war news and some disposition to realize. Trading was mostly local, the feeling being rather quiet, and at times du'l. A slight advance towards the close was made on a decline in foreign securities and firm cables. Corn was quiet and steady. Oats were easier. In pook there was quite an active trading. In lard an easier feeling prevailed. Closing quotations were:

					Oct.	Nov.
Wheat				••	£9.89}	\$0.891
Corn		• •	• •		434	423
Oats	• •				281	281
Pork					9.05	9.05
Tsrq .		• •			6.20	6.20

On Saturday another dull session was put through in the wheat market. Cables were quiet and war news would seem to have ceased to interest, still, although in the absence of support and with the bears beating prices down, values remained surprisingly firm. Corn declined in sympathy with New York and increasing receipts. Oats also were lower, and pork and lard were dull and easier. Closing [quotations were:

			Nov.	Dec.
Wheat	 		 \$0.881	£03.02
Corn	 		 431	413
Oats	 		 28	28
Pork	 		 8.90	8.90
Lurd	 	• •	 6.15	6.15

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

The quietness of the local ctock market at this place reported a week ago scens to have continued during this week, most of the leading bank's shares having suffered a considerable decline, while one or two of the banks held to their old figures, the closing of the week being quiet but fairly steady. Miscellaneous stocks were steady and loan and savings were quiet. The closing bids of Wednesday's of November 11th and 18th, which are subjoined will serve as an index to the tone of the market:

				Nov. 11,	N	ov. 18
Montreal				205 1		2053
do X D			• •	2014		
Ontario				1083		105
Molson's	••	••	• •	-		
Toronto	• •			1871		185
Merchants'	••		• •	119		1161
Commerce		••		1291		130
do X D	• •	• •		126‡		127
Imperial	• •			128		124
Federal	••		•	102‡	••	1001
do X D	••	• •	••	99		-
Dominion	••	• •		20:23		2013
Standard		• •		118		1181
Hamilton	••			1261		1231
Northwest	Land		••	45		44

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The local grain trade here this week has continued in a great measure to be that of a barley market, nearly all the business done during the week having apparently consisted of the trading in that grain, which although at first had an active demand and wanted at firm prices, showed decidedly easier feeling at the close with few buyers. At this place as elsewhere there is no demand heard for breadstuffs, and there is no inclination to press them for sale. In wheat very little business was done, shippers being out of the market and the demand from millers very stack. In oats the offerings were small with holders firm, all offered being taken. In provisions trade would seem this week again to have continued generally quiet. Some dairy products sold fairly well but prices as a rule were not over firm, and in cured meats there was very little done except some small quantities of new which appear to have been selling off as fast as made. The butter market has been well supplied all though the week, there being enough of the best grades on hand while receipts of medium and inferior have been rushing in to go into store and turn into grease, such at least being the opinion of dealers.

WHEAT.

Shippers have been out of the market and the demand from millers has been very slack, offerings, however, were very small, and there was no disposition to press sales. No. 2 fall choice quality sold at 85c and red winter lying at outside points seems to have been selling to a

small extent. At close prices were nominal at 85 to 87c for No. 2 fall and 87 to 88c for No. 2 spring.

OATS

The offerings were small and holders firm with all offered wanted. Cars on track sold during the week at 32½ and 33c.

BARLKY.

The demand has continued active and a good deal seems to have changed hands. No. 1 was very scarce and in good demand all week at 85 and 86c; No. 2 also was scarce, firm and wanted at 76 and 77c; extra No. 3 seemed rather unsettled and sold at 68 and 69c to 69\$\frac{1}{2}c; No. 3 choice went off steady at 65c, and No. 3 sold freely at 58 to 59c. At the close the feeling was decidedly easier and buyers were few.

RVP

None offered, so that prices are only nominal.

PRAS.

There was no movement in the city, but sales of lots lying outside were made at prices equal to 61c here.

POTATOES.

Car lots on track brought 50c, but were of fered later on more freely, closing at about 45c.

EGGS.

Fresh eggs have continued in good demand, and all offered were token at 20 to 21c. Limed were offered freely and taken slowly, prices being easier at about 16c. for sound lots.

BUTTER.

This market was well supplied all the week, there being seemingly enough, even of choice on hand, while receipts of medium and inferior have been rushing in. The only movement of these grades was a sale of a lot of nedium store-packed at 10c, and a lot of culls at 4c; choice store-packed and medium dairy have been offered freely all week at 12½c without finding any bids. The 'eally choice qualities have been readily picked out of shipments when sold at 15 to 16c, but to stand out for any higher figures than these seemed to bave a tendency to check sales. Rolls came in quietly and when of good vuality sold off readily at 15 to 16c, but poor ranged down to 10c.

CHEESE.

Has been selling fairly well as before at 93 for the finest qualities in small lots, with inferior to medium obtainable at from 7 to Sc. English quotations are again at a decline.

PORK.

Has continued in good demand in lieu of bacon, and this along with a firmness in the United States markets has put prices up to \$12.50.

BACON.

There appears to have been nothing offered beyond a small quantity of new which is sold as quickly as it is made, but were the quantity offered uncreased sales for all of it would be doubtful. Long clear and a few sides of Cumberland have sold at 7½c; rolls 9½ at to 10, and bellies at 11½ to 12c.

HAMS.

New was taken as quickly as offered at 12c, with a few old offered taken slowly at 11c, and old canvassed offered at any price without obtaining a byyer.

LARD.

Some new in tinnets sold at 94c, old has been going off as before at 9 to 94c for tinnets and pails, but nothing doing in tierces.

APPLES.

There was no movement in cor lots. Good to choice sold off at \$1.75 to \$1.25, and wind-falls down to 75c.

POULTRY.

Box lots were firm at 10 to 12c per lb for turkeys; at 6½ to 7½ for geese; 50 to 60c per pair for lucks and 30 to 45c per pair for fowl.

Board of Trade.

The Board of Trade met on Friday in the new St. Andrew's Society rooms, in Clements block, when a large representation of the business men were present, the enair being occupied by the President, Mr. Kenneth Meckenzie. After the reading of minutes of last meeting, Mr. Ashdown introduced the business of the complaints against the customs' authorities of this city, and in roduced Mr. J. J. Robertson, barrister, who was present on the invitation of the Secretary, to state the 'case of Mr. Perret, jeweler, of this city. Mr. Robertson stated how the goods of Mr. Perrett had been seized by order of the collector of this port, although they had all been putchased in Canada, Mr. Perret never having purchased goods outside of the Dominion, and although quite a large proportion of the goods seized were acknowledged by the customs authorities here to be of Canadian manufacture, their ceturn could only be obtained upon Mr. Petret signing a cunningly worded document, which once signed, was an acknowledgment that the goods seized were smuggled. No satisfaction of any other nature could be obtained. Mr. Robertson stated.

The president called for a report from the committee appointed at last meeting, to investigate into and report on the complaints against the customs' officers of this port, and the following report was read by Mr. Ashdown, convener of the committee.

To the President and Members of the Winnipeg Board of Trade.

Gentlemen, — The committee appointed by you at the last meeting of your Board to investi gate and report to a future meeting on the unnecessary difficulties experienced by importers and the mercantile public generally in transacting business with the customs' authorities at this port, and the incivilities and inconveniences to which they are subjected by the arbitrary conduct of the officers, beg leave to report—

First—That in the opinion of your committee, it is the duty of all public officers to be accessible to those having business with their department during ordinary business hours; to give all reasonable information required to assist in the transaction of such business; to always act with civility and ordinary business courtesy; generally to aid rather than retard the business of those coming into contact with them, and in all instances to avoid anything like arbitrary or tyranical conduct or abuse of the power vested in them.

Second—That in the opinion of your committee the conduct of the collector and surveyor of customs' at this port has been directly contrary to the above, and we desire to call your attention particularly to the following:

First—That the collector of this port, instead of heing easily accessible to those doing business with the department, day after day locks himself in his office, and those requiring to see him must first go to the long room and send in there name, and are only admitted on his permission being granted, while in many cases those having urgent business with him have been refused admission entirely. Instances proving this, duly certified, can be found in the attached paper under the heading A.

Second—When admission has been gained to the collector's office it has been the experience of many that, instead of being met with ordinary civility, and the assistance required to transact their business furnished them, they have been met with insolence and abuse, the information they had a right to expect refused, and frequently have been ordered out of the office, the collector in some cases even threatening to use force. Testified instances of this will be found in the attached documents under the heading of R.

Third—Complaints about insolence, wrong ruling or other improper conduct on the port of clerks in the long room, when submitted to the collector, have generally been entirely disregarded by him, as will be seen on reference to attached documents under the heading of C.

Fourth—That the ruling of the collector at this port regarding certified invoices is arbitrary and unreasonable, and not in accord with the practice generally prevailing throughout the Dominion, and has been a cource of great inconvenience and annoyance to importers, signatures of shippers having been refused as being insufficient, although the same have been freely passed at other ports in Canada. Instances of this are furnished in attached documents under heading D.

Fifth-That it has been the rule for the Collector and Surveyor of Customs at this port to make seizures of goods for the slightest irregu. larity, e. en in cases where they themselves had no reason to surmise an intention to defraud the Government. Lately goods have been seized without any reason whatever being given for seizure and afterwards released for so doing, and all without any apparent point to be gained, unless the inconvenience, expense and annovance of the importer, or to display in a bombastic manner the powers vested in these officers by the Government, and abused by them. Instances in support of this will be found in attached documents under the heading E.

Your committee would specially draw your attention to the fact, that in the Inland Revenue, Post Office and other Departments with which the mercantile community of this city are daily brought into contact, and have frequent business transactions, the courtesy and civility of Government officers is admitted by all, while the complaint and strong feeling against the local heads of the Customs Department is to be heard almost without exception from all who are brought into contact with them in business.

Your committee therefore claim that it is in the interests of the mercantile community of this city, as well as the Dominion Government, that the present Collector and Surveyor of Customs at this port be removed, and they would recommend that this Board petition the Government at Ottawa in favor of their removal.

A'l of which is respectfully submitted by your committee.

The committee laid upon the table a pile of letters in support of the assertions contained in the petition, from some of which the speaker read and commented thereon.

After some discussion by different members, all in favor of the petition, it was meved by Mr. J. Mather, seconded by Mr. J. H. Brock, and

carried unanimously, that the report as read be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ashdown, seconded by Mr. Stephens, the committee were instructed to have the potition drafted and forwarded, along with corroborative correspondence, to Otlawa.

Mr. Ashdown and the secretary reported that the committee appointed to see Mr. Van Horne regarding reduced freight rates on grain to the east, had found it impossible to secure an interview with that gentleman during his stay here.

Reports were heard from the deputations who waited upon Sir Adolph Caron and the Hon. Thomas White, regarding the settlement of Rebellion claims of merchants and traders throughout the Northwest, and it was moved by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Turner, and carried: That this board respectfully submit that in consequence of the late rebellion in the Northwest, many merchants in the immediate vicinity of the scene of action suffered heavy loss through their stocks being plundered and their premises destroyed by the rebels, and as this entails great hardship both upon them and their creditors; therefore this board would strongly urge upon the Government the immediate settlement of such claims, as delay may force such men to bankruptcy, and with all of them the burden of carrying on business in a crippled state financially cannot be 'oug borne.

It was moved by Mr. Ashdown, seconded by Mr. Elliott and carried, That a committee con sisting of the President and Secretary and Messrs Sobart, Ashdown, Bertrand and Turner be appointed to look up the various claims and press them along with the foregoing resolution upon the Government.

Report was also heard from the committee which in company with the committee of the city council met with the board of underwriters regarding reduced five insurance premiums of this city.

Messrs Carruthers and Drummond on behalf of the local underwriters, expressed the opinion that reduced premiums would in all probability soon be granted by the different companies doing business here.

The following gentlemen were put forward by the council for membership of the board, and on being balloted for were elected: Messis J. M. O'Loughlin, G. R. Crowe, Alex. Woods, J. Kukwood, G. C. Mills, R. J. Campbell, W. H. Burn, A. McBean.

A conversation took place regarding the unfortunate death of Mr. William Higgins, formerly an active member of the board, who was among the victims on board of the Algoma, and the President and Secretary were appointed to draft and forward to the widow expressions of the sympathy of the board.

After a few trifling watters of detail the meeting adjourned.

Recent Legal Decisions.

Bank—Gaunishment—Payment of Check.
--Where a depositor in a bank before the service of process upon the bank as garnisheo drew a check in favor of another, which was forwarded to the bank and was by it paid in due course of business after the service of the writ,

and charged to the account of the depositor. the Supreme Court of Illinois held that the bank as garnishee was entitled to credit for the amount of the check so paid. The National Bank of America vs. The Indiana Banking Company.

TELEGRAPH COMPAN'S LIABILITY—FAILURE TO TRANSMIT MESSAGE.—Where a telegram is transmitted to an office after the office hours the company does not become liable for the statutory penalty for a failure to transmit. The penalty is not incurred unless there is a feilure to receive and transmit during the usual office hours, both at the point where the meassage is received and that to which it is transmitted. So held by the Supreme Court of Indiana, in the case of Western Union's elegraph Company vs. Harding, decided November 6.

Insurable Interest — Creditor Collateral Security. A creditor to whom property is assigned as collateral security has an insurable interest in it to the amount of his debt, according to the decision of the Supreme Court of South Carolina in the case of Hume et el. vs. The Providence Washington Insurance Company. The court said that an interest to be insurable need not be a property in the subject insured, but that it would be sufficient if a loss of the subject would bring upon the insured a pecuniary loss or intercept a profit.

INJUNCTION-SHIPMENT OF MINERAL WATERS -Exclusive Right. - The case of the Appolina: is Water Company vs. Wilson, recently decided by Vice-Chancellor Bacon in the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice (England) arose upon the application of the plaintiff, a company said to possess the exclusive right of sale throughout the world, except on the continent of Europe, of the H myadi Janos mineral water for an injunction restraining the defendauts, ship-owners of Hull and Hamburg, from transhipping to New York a number of cases of this water until it could be found out who were in consiguee. The defendants contended that, they were merely carrying out their duty as common carriers. They said that they did not know who the consignees were, but offered to give the plaintiffs notice by what ship or ships the goods were forwarded to New York, also notice of the arrival of the ship in New York and of any application that might be made to the shippers for delivery of the goods. The plaintiff was not satisfied with this offer and asked that the goods should not be allowed to leave England. The Vice-Chancellor in granting an injunction said that the sale of these goods in New York would be in direct violation of the rights of the plaintiff, which the English statue had given it the exclusive power to exercise, its trade-mark having been registered. The plaintiff was, he said, warranted in making the application, as the right to send Hunyadi Janos water to New York belonged exclusively to ir. The defendants, he said, should not be allowed to be made the instruments to perpetrate an injustice.

BILLS OF LABING FRAUDULENTLY ISSUED— CARRIERS' LIABILITY.—An interesting case involving the liability of railroad companies upon bills of lading issued by their agents was recently decided by the Supreme Court of Pen-

nsylvania. In this case, Brooke et al. vs. The New York, Lake Erie & Wester Railroad Company, reported in the Albany Law Journal, it appeared that the defendant company employed one Weiss as a shipping clerk at one of its stations in New York state and authorized him to issue hills of lading for goods delivered to the company for shipment over its line. The plaintiff's commission merchants in Philadelphia received overdefendant's read from one Williams, in New York several coasignments of barley on which, from time to time, they made advances by accepting and paying drafts drawn on them by the consignor and attached to the bills of lading signed by Weiss on behalf of the company. Weiss, with Williams' connivance, issued a fictitious bill of lading for a car of barley never delivered to the company, and Williams sent the same with a draft to the plaintiffs, who accepted the draft on the faith of the bill and paid it at maturity. Upon the failure of the barley to arrive the plaintiff brought suit against the company to recover for his loss. The court held that the defendant company wasesstopped from denying the validity of the bill of lading, and that it was immaterial that abanthority had been given to Weiss to issue bills of lading without receiving the goods mentioned therein. The court said : "It is contended that inasmuch as no authority, real or apparent, to issue bills of lading without re. criving the goods mentioned thereinhad actually been given by the railroad company to Weirs, it was not in any way responsible for his un. authorized act, even as to ignocent third parties who were misled and injured thereby. We cannot assent to this proposition. As between principal and third parties, the true limit of the agent's authority to bind the former is the apparent authority with which the agent is invested; but as between the principal and the agent, the true limit is the express authority of the agent. * * * The principal is bound by all the acts of his agent within the scope of the authority which he held him out to the world to possess, notwithstanding the agent acted contrary to instructious, and this is expressly the case with officers and agents of corporations. Since a corporation acts only through agents, it is bound by its agent's contracts when made ostensivly within the range of thei. office. One who authorizes another to act for him in a certain class of contracts undertakes for the absence of fraud in the agent acting within the scope of his authority. * * * It is conceded in this case that the company did not authorize the issuance of bills of lading without receipt of the goods, but it put Weiss in its place to do that class of acts, and it should be answerable for the manner in which he conducted himself within the range of his agency. Pullic policy, as well as the ultimate good of corporations themselves, requires that this should be the rule.—Bradstreet's.

The railroad situation still continues to show most favorable features. The good reports of carnings by northwestern roads continue, and the final approval of the pooling agreement by the trunk line presidents gives confidence to the future.

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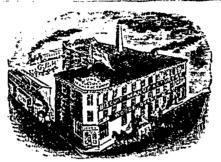
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