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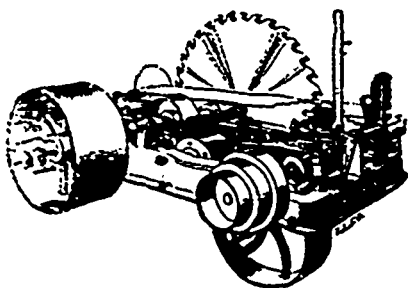
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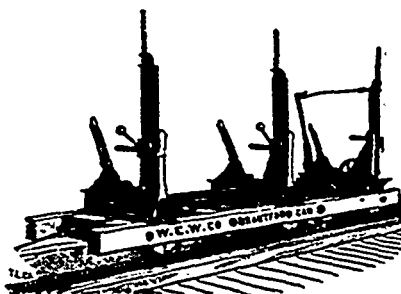
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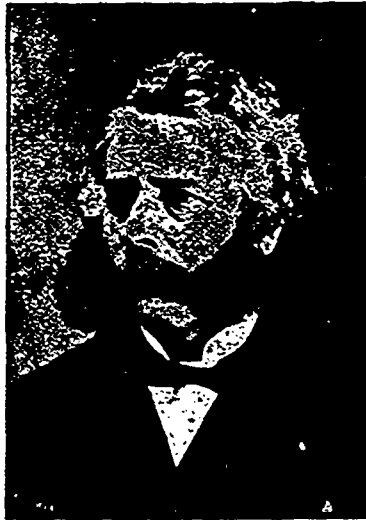
The Late Arch. McBean.

The Commercial briefly announced last week the very sudden death of Mr Archibald McBean, of A. McBean & Son, grain dealers, Winnipeg. Mr. McBean had not been in robust health for some time, but he was not considered dangerously ill. On the morning of the day of his death he got up about the usual time and took a light breakfast after which he moved about the house seemingly no worse than usual. Some workmen were employed in fixing a water connection, and were digging on the lawn, and he went out on the steps of the house during the morning to give them some instructions. He had only been in the house again a few minutes when he was taken with a sudden fainting spell and those in the house were barely able to assist him upstairs to bed when he expired.

The late Mr. McBean was one of the pioneers of the Manitoba grain trade. He was born in Lancaster township, Glengarry county, Ontario, in 1832, where he afterwards carried on business as a lumber merchant, and later at Millbrook, from which place his business extended over the central and eastern parts of Ontario, so that he was well acquainted with the work of the pioneers in that timber country. He also combined grain buying with his lumber business and continued to carry these on until 1881, when he came to Manitoba as the representative of a number of Ontario farmers. He came here and looked over the country, and as a result a large colony came up in the following year, 1882, and settled in the district about Sourisford. In 1884 he moved up his

family from the east and has been ever since engaged in the grain business in Winnipeg. Mrs. McBean and seven sons and one daughter survive him. The daughter is Mrs. H. A. Jukes, of Winnipeg, and the sons are F. J. Geo. A. and Oscar, in Toronto, and W. D., Harry, Bruce and Athol, in Winnipeg. There is also a large family of brothers and sisters of whom D. G. McBean, grain merchant, is the only one resident in Winnipeg. About the grain exchange, where Mr. McBean was best known of late years, he was known as a man of kindly and sympathetic disposition.

The funeral of the deceased gentleman was largely attended, including many members of the board of trade and the grain exchange. Rev. Canon Matheson conducted the funeral service, after which the funeral left for Brookside cemetery, when the casket was placed in the mortuary chapel vault. The casket was covered with floral tributes, among which was a beautiful cross sent by members of the board of trade and a large spray in which heads of wheat were artistically entwined with roses, sent by members



LATE ARCH. McBEAN.

of the grain exchange. The pallbearers were Mr. McBean's six sons, two of whom came from Toronto to attend the funeral.

New Postal Regulations.

Some of the papers are objecting strongly to the new arrangements regarding postage charges on newspapers sent from the office of publication. The effect of the regulations is to practically exempt many papers from the payment of postage, while other papers are compelled to pay postage on almost their entire circulation. The regulations provide for the circulation free of postage charge, within a radius of twenty miles from the office of publication. This practically exempts local country papers, particularly those published in the more closely settled districts of Eastern Canada. Papers having a general circulation, such as the large city dailies, trade papers, magazines, etc., have to bear the full postal charge. In the case of cities where postal matter is delivered by carriers, there is a special high charge on newspapers, so that the city publications referred to

have to pay postage on papers delivered at their home office, for delivery by carriers, besides postage on their general circulation beyond the twenty mile limit. In the case of The Commercial, for instance, the twenty mile exemption is of no benefit, as the circulation is not of a local nature, and with the exception of the city delivery about all the papers go outside of the exemption limit. The city papers, as stated, are subject to a high special postage tax for delivery by carrier. The Commercial, however, does not object to the principal of newspaper postage. As for the country papers, they have a hard competition to contend against from the big city papers, and we do not grudge them their postal exemption.

Winnipeg Board of Trade.

The annual meeting of the board will be held on February 7. The annual reports were considered at a meeting of the council held this week. A copy of a resolution forwarded by the Vancouver Board of Trade, urging that the Dominion and provincial governments should aid a railway company which has already built from Skagway to the Summit, in extending branches, was also considered. The council decided to ask particulars of the road, where the extensions were proposed, and the amount of aid they were seeking, etc., before taking any action.

A communication was read from the department of agriculture, Ottawa, regarding the increased facilities which are being provided at the quarantine at Halifax. D. W. Boie, W. R. Baker, and the secretary were appointed a committee to endeavor to advise some method of improving the character of the alleged information given in the Dominion blue books as to Manitoba's trade.

Hudson Bay Route.

Mr. Fisher's recent report on his trip to Hudson Bay (a lengthy synopsis of which was published in The Commercial recently) has stirred up considerable hostile criticism throughout the country. A great many people throughout the West have their affection fixed on this route, and it will take much more than Mr. Fisher's report to make them believe that the route is not a valuable and practical one for this country. There is this to say about the matter, that though Mr. Fisher has had exceptional advantages for looking into the question, yet his opinion comes from a person who is not a skilled navigator. Difficulties which might appear very great to Mr. Fisher might not be considered insuperable by a practical navigator. Commander Wakeham, appointed by the Dominion government, reported: "I absolutely agree with Lieutenant Gordon in fixing the date for the opening of navigation in Hudson Strait for commercial purposes from 1st July until 20th October." Admiral A. H. Markham, who was in the "Alert" expedition, has recently declared his opinion that the Hudson Strait is navigable for six months in the year.

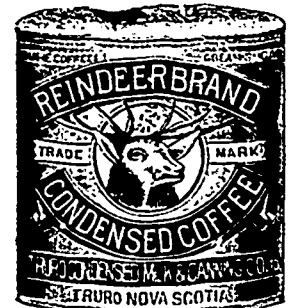
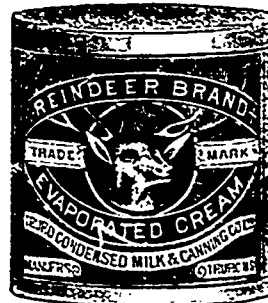
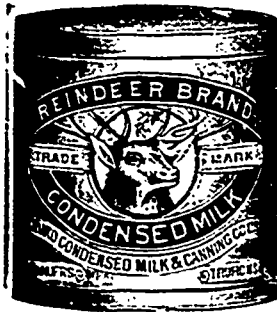
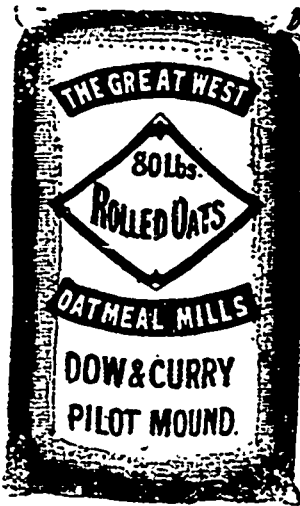
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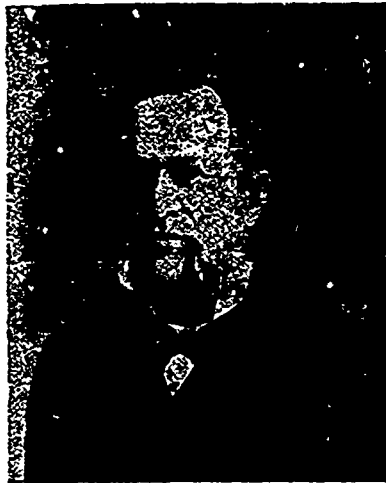
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Speaking of the failure at Toronto some time ago, of the Farmers' Loan Co., The Economist said that if all the loan companies in Canada were conducted like the Freehold Loan and Savings Company we should



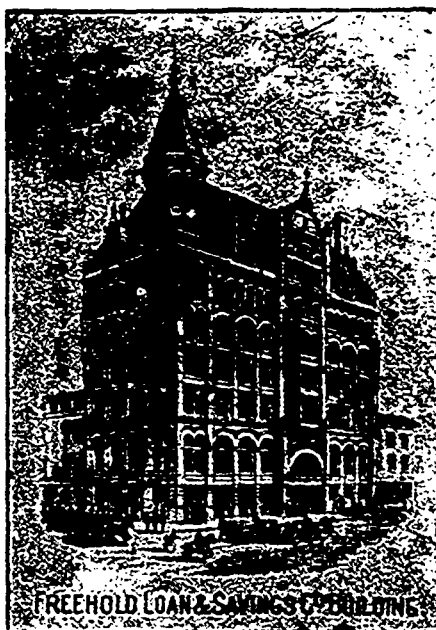
HON. S. C. WOOD,
Manager Freehold Loan and Savings Co.,
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never have any such trouble as was created among depositors and investors by the failure of the Farmers' Loan. The Economist goes on to say "No loan company in the Dominion occupies a higher place in the confidence of the public at home and investors in the mother country than the Freehold Loan. For forty years this company has been before the public, and it is safe to say that there is no bank, loan company, or other financial corporation in the Dominion that is more highly thought of than the Freehold Loan.

"It is no easy matter to build up a reputation of this sort, for such a concern and such a reputation when once attained can only be held when a shrewd, capable executive is at the helm, and when its business methods are according to the most Conservative and sound principles of finance. The management of the Freehold Loan meets all these requirements and has for years met them. The last annual statement of the company is one that the directors had good reason to be proud of, inspiring as it did the confidence of all interested in its high financial standing. The total deposits, according to that report, amounted to \$439,288.38, and the currency debentures to \$25,045.49, which is ample evidence of the manner in which it is regarded at home. The sterling debentures amounted to \$2,563,312.75. The capital of the Freehold Loan is \$1,319,100, and the reserve is \$300,000. The last report showed a contingent fund of \$41,703.11, and cash in hand of \$261,069.66. It might be expected that the cost of management of such a concern would be considerable, but, as a matter of fact, the total cost of

management for the year 1897-98 was the very modest sum of \$42,922. "The Freehold Loan has invested in mortgages the sum of \$5,125,810.54 all in carefully selected, good marketable property, and owing to the advance in land values in Canada the past year, in city as well as in farm values in Ontario and Manitoba, as a result of increased business prosperity and the influx of settlers, the security is regarded as even better than it was a year ago.

"The Hon. S. C. Wood, the manager of the Freehold Loan is a gentleman of wide experience, which fully qualifies him for the important position. Mr. Wood was born in the village of Bath, in the county of Lennox, Ontario, in 1830. Educated in the common schools, he early had a practical commercial training and achieved success as a merchant in Victoria county. He had considerable municipal experience in that county, and filled the positions of county clerk and county treasurer. He was prominent in educational circles in Lindsay, where he was appointed chairman of the high school



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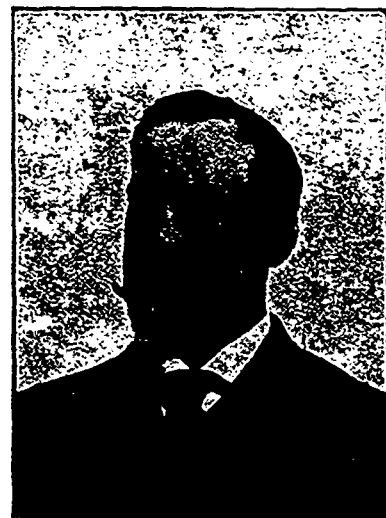
board. His parliamentary career began in 1871, and was one of remarkable success. Under the administration of the Hon. (now Sir Oliver) Mowat he filled the positions of registrar of the province of Ontario, commissioner of agriculture and provincial treasurer. He retired from public life in 1883, when he was offered the position of manager of the Freehold Loan."

The Commercial can add something to the remarks of the Economist, regarding the Freehold in the west. This is one of the oldest and best known loan companies operating here. The Freehold Loan opened business in Winnipeg in 1881, with Mr. Jeffrey in charge. This gentleman was shortly succeeded by the late Geo. D. McVicar. After the death of Mr. McVicar, the firm of Russell & Cooper were given charge of the company's interests here. On the dissolution of the firm of Russell & Cooper, in May, 1895, Mr. John Russell became manager here for the company, and he has continued in this position since.

The Freehold has done an active

business here since the early days, both on farm and city property, and taken all through, the western business of the company has been very satisfactory. The company, in common with all similar concerns doing business here previous to and during the "boom" days, suffered some from the great shrinkage in value of real estate following the "boom" period, but owing to careful management the Freehold came through those stirring times with fewer losses than some of the other concerns interested. Of late years the business done here has been of a very satisfactory nature, and time has proved that the faith which the management always maintained in the west has not been misplaced. The company does a large business throughout Manitoba, and the business has also been extended to several of the best agricultural settlements in the Territories. Hon. S. C. Wood, general manager of the company, has visited Manitoba annually for many years, during the harvest season, and on these occasions he has driven each year through the principal agricultural districts. He is to-day undoubtedly one of the best posted men in Canada regarding the resources and development of Manitoba.

Mr. John Russell, previous to taking the management of the company here, acted as solicitor and general manager for the company at Brandon. Mr. Russell is one of the best known loan company managers here, and under his direction the Freehold has fully maintained that enviable reputation which it has earned in the east. Mr. Russell has long been a prominent member of the Winnipeg board of trade, and his active services in connection with the work of the board, as well as in other capacities as a



JOHN RUSSELL,
Manager at Winnipeg for the Freehold.

citizen, has earned for him the respect and esteem of the business men of the city.

The feature of the week has been the remarkable activity in the New York stock market. Excitement reached fever heat in the stock exchange, and remarkable scenes of activity were witnessed. The eagerness to invest in securities has been something wonderful. As a result of such activity, membership in the exchange has advanced \$38,000 to \$40,000.

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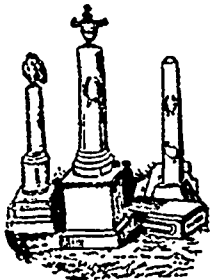
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Winnipeg Clearing House.

The clearing house returns this week compared with the corresponding week in previous years, show as follows:

Week ended Jan. 19, 1897.....	\$1,612,095
Corresponding week, 1896.....	1,210,440
1897.....	1,511,701

Following shows the bank clearings at Winnipeg by months, for three years:

	1898.	1897.	1896.
Jan. ...	6,347,168	5,009,819	4,977,200
Feb. ...	5,517,000	3,851,000	4,032,000
March ...	5,968,000	4,289,000	4,286,000
April ...	6,240,000	4,102,000	4,032,000
May ...	8,083,364	5,014,780	4,210,201
June ...	7,398,000	5,531,000	4,094,000
July ...	6,316,238	5,616,003	4,961,277
Aug. ...	6,180,385	6,298,574	4,640,959
Sept. ...	6,414,551	8,035,201	4,630,708
Oct. ...	9,347,692	12,291,879	7,585,472
Nov. ...	11,553,069	13,550,761	8,895,175
Dec. ...	10,703,731	9,784,498	7,736,945
Year ...	90,672,798	83,435,121	64,143,935

Agricultural Associations.

The live stock breeders have issued their programme for their annual convention, which will be held in Winnipeg on February 7, and two following days. An excellent programme has been arranged for, including a number of practical papers on various topics of interest to all breeders of live stock. Farmers, whether members or not, are invited to attend the meeting of the association. The Dairy association and the Horticultural association meet the same week.

Experimental Farm Reports.

A bulletin has been issued by the department of agriculture giving the yields obtained at the various experimental farms last season. The object is to show what are the best varieties to cultivate to secure large yields. If it is possible to obtain several bushels more per acre by using a productive variety. It is certainly greatly in the interest of the farmer to know what are the best varieties of grain and other crop. Last year was not a favorable one for oats in Manitoba, but the return shows that the twelve most productive varieties at the Manitoba branch experimental farm produced an average of 107 bushels and 13 lbs per acre. This shows what Manitoba farmers could accomplish if they gave reasonable care to their oat crop as to selection of varieties and cultivation. There is undoubtedly a great loss to the farmer by growing unproductive varieties. The average yield from the twelve most productive varieties of spring wheat at the Manitoba farm was 371.4 bushels per acre. It is satisfactory to note that red flint shows up as one of the best in point of yield. Farmers should secure and study these reports.

Frosted Windows.

"Sweating" or "frosted" windows is caused by the inequality of the temperature outside and inside the window. The proper way to avoid this difficulty is to provide a method of ventilation which shall allow enough fresh air to enter the window to equalize the temperature. This can be done by cutting a number of small apertures in the top and bottom of the sash. Have them about half an inch in diameter, and about a foot and a half apart. The window should also have a tight partition separating it from the store, which will keep off the warm air. Many stores have curtains at the back of the windows,

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APPRECIATION OF METALS.

The iron and metal market continues to show remarkable firmness, and there appears to be no top to prices in many leading lines. A comparison of values, at prominent cities, recently makes this fact perfectly clear, the rise since the beginning of the present month being quite sharp. Pig iron in Great Britain for instance has moved up from 49s 6d on the 3rd of January to 51s 11d, and in the same interval No. 1 foundry iron at Pittsburg has risen 50c per ton to \$11.50. Lead spelter, copper and tin are all higher. In London lead is almost 9s per ton higher, being quoted at £13 11s 8d, and in New York \$4.25 per 100 pounds is asked for it, against \$3.95 on the first of the month. Naturally this strength is reflected on spot, and though round lots have been sold at \$3.75, lately, it is doubtful if they could be repeated at the same price. For spring importation \$3.57 1-2 has been asked, whereas last fall deliveries were made on the basis of \$3.35 to importers here. This rise in lead and an appreciation of 5s in dry white lead is apt to have an important bearing on the paint and color market, and the anxiety of Canadian color grinders to contract for supplies of dry white lead for spring shipment shows pretty clearly that they are aware of the fact. It does not seem likely, therefore, that buyers of ground white lead would gain anything by holding back their orders.

Spelter since the beginning of the month has risen 25c per 100 lbs., at New York, being quoted at \$5.35 on the 17th, and in Great Britain, it is 12s 6d per ton higher, at £24 12s 6d. The appreciation in the value of copper has been even more remarkable, as it has advanced \$1.00 per 100 lbs. at New York. Lake ingot being quoted there at \$14.25. In London the quotation has risen from £52 2s 6d to £62 15s. On spot, holders are very firm, and it is doubtful if a round lot could be obtained under 14c per pound. Tin is equally strong, having advanced \$2.15 per 100 pounds, in New York, since the first of the month, while in Great Britain the appreciation has almost been £10 the ton. On spot, accordingly, prices are much higher than they were, and bids of 23c were refused this week, for straits, 23 1-2c being asked. Montreal prices are: Summerlee pig \$18.25 to \$19.00; Fehnton, \$16; Carnbro, \$15.50; No. 1. Hamilton \$15.25 to \$15.50; No. 2. do., \$14.50; Ferrona, \$15.00 to \$15.50; wrought scrap, No. 1, \$12.00 to \$12.50; bar iron \$1.40; tin plates, cokes, \$2.95 to \$3.00; I. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.55; Canada plates, \$2.15 to \$2.25;terne plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25; galvanized iron, 4 1-4c to 4 3-4c, as to brand; copper, 14c to 14 1-2c; ingot tin, 23c to 23 1-2c; lead, \$3.90 to \$4; and spelter at 5 1-2c to 5 3-4c; iron pipe, \$4 to \$4.25.—Montreal Gazette.

HARDWARE TRADE NOTES:

Foreign advices are very strong on cement, and makers are sold largely ahead.

It is reported from Toronto that, "All the kerosene oil business in the Dominion has been absorbed by the Imperial Oil company, which is the Canadian end of the Standard Oil trust of the United States. The refining and manufacturing at Petrolia

and Sarnia will in future be done by the new trust, which will also deal direct with the trade."

A United States trade paper says: In hardware and kindred lines there is more activity in the way of advancing prices than perhaps any other branch of trade at this time. Pig lead has lately advanced \$4 a ton, affecting rabbit metal, solder, and the long line of lead products. Pig tin has advanced 2 cents a pound and affects a large range of articles always in demand. Lake copper has scored an advance of 1c a pound. Spelter has advanced 1-4c a pound, and will affect zinc. Steel billets have advanced 50c a ton. Wire nails have advanced 15c a keg. The general tone of the market is firm. Higher prices are looked for as a result of the general advance in metals.

Grocery Trade Notes.

The cranberry situation is very strong. Eastern markets have advanced 25c to 50c a barrel.

An advance in canned salmon is predicted when the spring demand sets in. A combine of Columbia river packers is in progress.

The possibility of a duty being placed on teas this year is causing a feeling of anxiety on the part of buyers, who do not know exactly how to act.

The season is now so far advanced, says the Louisiana Planter that it has become thoroughly manifest that the Louisiana sugar crop this season will fall from 25 to 40 per cent below the anticipated yield.

A movement has been begun by the Farmers' club at San Jose, California, having for its subject the creation of a great association of interest to control the dried prune output on that coast. The enterprise is to be along the lines of the wine-growers' association, and the citrus combine at Fresno.

There has been a stronger feeling in the market for dried fruit in Denia, and prices for selected stock have advanced fully 2s. A Montreal firm cabled an offer of 17s for a round lot of selected, but the reply was that nothing was obtainable under 19s, which figure is equivalent to 5 1-4c Montreal.

A couple of weeks ago we reported a decline in sulphur matches in the east. Later the price list for the western market on Eddy's matches has been reduced. The reduction is 40c per case. Prices are now as follows: Telegraph, \$3.45, telephone \$3.25, tiger \$3.10 per case. Other lines are not changed.

A Montreal report says: There is a strong feeling in the market for Barbadoes molasses, owing to the very small stock held, consequently higher prices are anticipated in the near future. There has been considerable enquiry of late from wholesale grocers for round lots, and sales of 25 and 50 puncheon lots have taken place at 31c, which figure is an advance of 1c per gallon over previous transactions.

A Toronto report says: There is some talk of a further advance of one farthing in low grade Indian teas. Advices which have been received from India state that there is no possibility of prices going lower this season. Everyone here is asking for Indian and Ceylon Pekoe Souchong teas in the neighborhood of 13c, but there are none to be had under 13 1-2c, and there are practically no teas of the desirable class offered. Good flavory Ceylon

teas at from 17c to 18c are also scarce. There has been some inquiry for Japan teas at about 16c, but they are scarce.

Mining Notes.

The Alice C. (Ontario) is alleged to have shipped a \$2,000 brick.

The Golden Star (Ontario) has declared a dividend of 1 per cent per share.

The F. Diamond Reef Co. have decided to increase the battery to forty stamps.

The rush to the Atlin gold fields in northern British Columbia has commenced. Two vessels left Vancouver on Jan. 21 with over a hundred passengers.

Ninety and a fraction ounces of gold from 94.45 tons of ore is the alleged return of that quantity of rock from the Bad mine, Northwestern Ontario. The ore was crushed by the Koewatin Reduction company.

The only change to be made in the royalty clause of the Yukon regulations will be to raise from \$2,500 to \$5,000 the amount of the output from each claim to be exempted from the 10 per cent royalty.

Leases for 2,410 acres of Indian reserve 38B have been issued to the New Sabaskong Gold Mining Co., of Ontario, Limited, which is incorporated with a capital of 125,000 shares of \$1 each.

Jas. Hammond, managing director of the Hammond Gold Reef mine, Saw Bill district, Northwestern Ontario, says it is the intention to do work on a much larger scale this year on these properties. Electrical power is to be added and the stamp mill increased to eighty stamps.

Alex. M. Hay has lately returned from the old country, where he made arrangements to open up the Rabbit Mountain silver mine, Port Arthur district. Although this mine has been closed for several years it has always been considered a good property.

A syndicate headed by A. B. Upton of Duluth, has secured the Dominion Reduction Works at Rat Portage. The syndicate has also acquired the Gold Hill mine, with its 10-stamp mill the Black Jack, the Sultana Jr., located near the Gold Hill, and D217, adjoining the Mikado mine. These properties have shafts from 40 to 200 feet deep.

Dry Goods Trade.

In the United States printed fabrics for spring are going very freely both with agents and jobbers, the strong tone of the gray cottons inducing very free buying to stock up. Gray cottons continue very firm in price, and are costing above the parity of the finished goods. Print cloths are again full of strength, the surplus having been worked out of the way, and the market is on a profitable basis. Ginghams are sold ahead and are firm. Men's wear woollens are quiet. Prices thus far have been 5 to 10 per cent below last year on some goods and unchanged on others.

The second day of the wool auction sales in London opened with a good attendance. The continental buyers were especially eager to secure wool suitable for their wants, and the home trade operated strongly and purchased goods 5 to 10 per cent above the December sales.

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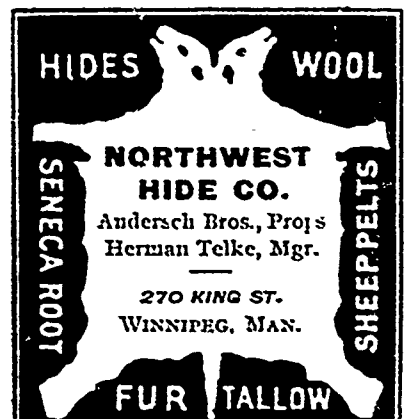
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Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

- Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, 92 to 93c.
- Flour—Local price per sack unchanged at: Patent, \$2.40; bakera, \$2.20.
- Bran—\$9. per ton.
- Shorts—\$11 per ton.
- Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, easier at 85 to 86c.
- Barley—35c for feed; malting, 38 to 42c.
- Butter—Dairy, jobbers' prices, 16 to 18c for fresh; creamery, jobbers' price, 21 to 23 1-2c.
- Cheese—Jobbers selling at 10 1-2 to 11c.
- Eggs—Dealers selling at 17c for fresh and 40c for limed.
- Beef—City dressed, 5 1-2 to 6c; country, 4 to 5c.
- Mutton—5 to 7c.
- Hogs—Dressed, 6 1-4 to 6 1-2c.
- Cattle—Butchers' 2 3-4 to 3 1-2c.
- Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.75 per 100 lbs. for best bacon.
- Sheep—Nominal at 3c off cars.
- Hides—Frozen hides, 6 1-2c.
- Hay—Baled, on track, \$7.00.
- Potatoes—35 to 40c per bushel.
- Poultry—Chickens, 7 1-2 to 8 1-2c per lb.; turkeys, native, 10 to 11c; geese, 9 to 10c; ducks, 8c.

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

The following prices cover the range as to size and color for prime skins. Very small and pale skins bring the lowest price, and very large the top range. Skins taken out of season range much lower:

Badger .....	..\$ .25	\$.50
Bear, black	5.00	25.00
Bear, brown	4.50	20.00
Bear, black yearlings	5.00	7.00
Bear, brown yearlings	3.00	4.50
Bear, grizzly	4.50	20.00
Beaver, large	5.00	7.00
Beaver, medium	3.00	5.00
Beaver, small	1.50	2.50
Beaver, cubs .....	.50	1.00
Beaver, castors, lb.	2.50	5.50
Fisher, dark	6.00	8.00
Fisher, pale	3.00	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large	5.00	10.00
Fox, cross pale	2.50	5.00
Fox, kitt .....	.25	.75
Fox, red	1.00	2.00
Fox, silver dark	50.00	75.00
Fox, pale	25.00	60.00
Lynx, large	1.50	2.50
Lynx, medium	1.00	1.75
Lynx, small .....	.50	1.00
Marten, dark	3.00	6.00
Marten, pale or brown	2.50	5.00
Marten, light pale	1.00	3.25
Mink, dark .....	.75	2.25
Mink, pale .....	.75	1.50
Musquash, winter .....	.04	.11
Otter, dark	6.00	10.00
Otter, pale	5.00	8.00
Skunk .....	.25	.50
Wolf, timber	2.00	3.00
Wolf, prairie .....	.40	1.00
Wolverine, dark	3.00	4.00
Wolverine, pale	1.25	2.00

Boots and Shoes.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: Manufacturers are as busy as bees on their spring orders, the volume of business up to the present being considerably larger than that of a year ago the business of one large house being 20 per cent ahead of the corresponding date in 1898. Remittances are fair for the season, and every confidence is expressed in the success of the spring trade.

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Statistical Wheat Reports.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Montreal	20,000
Toronto	130,000
Kingston .....	.....
Winnipeg	390,000
Manitoba elevators	5,610,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	2,193,000

Total, Jan. 14

8,349,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's on Jan. 14, were 51,579,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 52,680,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on Jan. 1 were 5,923,000 bushels, compared with 6,601,000 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 Jan. 21, was 28,273,000 bushels, being an increase of 338,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 37,153,000 bushels, two years ago, 51,295,000 bushels; three years ago, 67,529,000 bushels, and four years ago 64,065,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U. S. PORTS.

Chicago	3,629,000
Duluth	4,480,000
Minneapolis	6,496,000
New York	1,732,000
Buffalo and afloat	3,048,000

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 6,986,000 bushels, compared with 14,534,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 26,061,000 bushels, compared with 41,789,000 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 Jan. 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: Jan. 1, 1899, 118,949,000 bushels; Jan. 1, 1898, 132,421,000; Jan. 1, 1897, 156,659,000; Jan. 1, 1896, 194,685,000; Jan. 1, 1895, 205,609,000; Jan. 1, 1894, 212,263,000; Jan. 1, 1893, 204,362,000; Jan. 1, 1892, 170,056,000 bushels.

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, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop.	Last crop.
Minneapolis	55,015,446	50,842,730
Milwaukee	9,048,236	8,853,272
Duluth	56,508,495	32,300,944
Chicago	25,109,440	25,886,303

Total

145,681,616 114,883,249

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, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop.	Last crop.
Toledo	10,727,619	9,027,021
St. Louis	11,795,863	9,986,968
Detroit	3,784,979	3,784,760
Kansas City	20,657,813	23,519,350

Total

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Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, Jan. 23.

Orders for the Atlin country made business very brisk the past week among the wholesalers. The passage of the alien bill regarding mining claims by the British Columbia legislature has caused little if any difference in the stamped to the northern British Columbia mining regions, which is almost as great as the Klondike rush of last year, while the orders received in Vancouver for the Atlin country, in the line of provisions at least, are fully as large, as they were for the Yukon at the height of last season. Outfitters are naturally jubilant, and the confidence and cheerful view of the future, prevalent in the business world of British Columbia in the past year is still a feature of the trade situation on the Canadian coast.

New Westminster, to use a hackneyed expression, is rising Phoenix-like from her ashes. Building operations are very active and a new city is rapidly taking the place of the old one. At present merchants are grouped together in a small space. Their business stands are little more substantial than booths at a church fair, but their expense is reduced to such a figure and their small stocks are being so quickly turned over that they are no doubt more prosperous than they will be when they move into the new handsome big stores being built for them, when they will do the same business with enormously increased current expense—but every merchant will move, nevertheless, chiefly because his neighbor is going to move.

Nanaimo is prosperous. The coal shipments from that district last year were in excess of all previous years and business continues good. Victoria is jubilant over the Atlin trade and the ready money the rush is putting into circulation. In Vancouver the building boom is still on and as yet there is no very evident signs of the city being overstocked with stores and dwellings but conservative, thoughtful men continue to shake their head dubiously. They believe that mines, lumbering, fish and the Canadian Pacific railway do not constitute a sufficiently strong backbone to firmly brace the young giant of the west. A citizen remarked to the writer to-day that he had been a resident of every city on the Pacific coast, and not one could boast of so many fine buildings and such well paved streets as Vancouver at a similar period in their career. Building is encouraged from the fact that money can be very readily borrowed at 6 per cent on first mortgages, and a \$2,500 house can be secured by a payment of \$500 cash.

In spite of the large number of buildings erected in the past two years, houses, particularly furnished houses, are in smart demand.

The foreign lumber trade is active. The Moodyville and Chemalms mills have been very busy and the new Hastings mill, rebuilt and modernised, will soon be in active operation again.

The salmon industry is threatened this year. The fishermen who seem to be favored by the government have had several meetings, in which they have concluded to hold out against the canners. The canners want 20 licenses for each cannery, free fish, and no stringent alien law regarding licenses. The fishermen demand duty on salmon, one man one license, no transfer of license, and every fisher-

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man a bona fide British subject. The canners have given their ultimatum, which is "If the stringent regulations favored by the fishermen are in force next season, not a fish will be canned on the Fraser river."

British Columbia in 1898.

R. P. Rithet & Company, of Victoria, B. C. in their monthly circular say: Following our custom, we comment briefly upon the course of business in British Columbia during the past year. In almost every direction there has been expansion of a highly gratifying nature. Of the staple industries of the province, mining is perhaps the most interesting, and it is satisfactory to note the marked development of old fields and the rapid opening up of new ones. British Columbia is however, far from being a poor man's mining country, as capital is the great desideratum. Still, even with comparatively limited means, much has been done, and when the attention of the financially strong has been thoroughly aroused, great things may be confidently expected. Within quite recent date discoveries have been reported from Atlin—in the north of this province but not far from the coast—that give promise of the richest results. The district is easy of access, and being free from most of the disadvantages of Klondike, climatic and otherwise, offers a fair field to the miner. The lumber interests are without any special feature, so far as the output is concerned. The era of low prices which existed so long has, however, come to an end, mainly through scarcity of logs, and it seems likely that values will be permanently established on a higher plane. The output of coal during the year has surpassed all previous records, amounting to over 1,125,000 tons.

Salmon packing has experienced one of its periodical setbacks, the run, except in the north, having been of the most disappointing character. This, however, is not necessarily an unmixel misfortune, for it has checked too rapid expansion, and its influence on the general market has, in some respects, been entirely beneficial. The salmon fishery is, in its very nature, of a highly speculative character, and bad years are only to be looked for from time to time. Considering the difficulties under which sealers have labored during the past five years, the result of last season is surprisingly good, for, although many have been forced out of the industry and the fleet was consequently greatly reduced in numbers, the catch proved nearly equal to the previous year's, and was ultimately sold at fair prices.

The Doukhobors.

The Doukhobors are an entirely new class of settlers for Canada. They come from Southern Russia, in which country it is alleged, they have been greatly persecuted, owing to their religious beliefs. Like the Mennonites, they are opposed to military service, and this was one feature which brought them into trouble in Russia. Their religious beliefs and mode of life partake something of the nature of the Quakers or Friends. They are described as a sturdy agricultural people and from all accounts will make peaceful, industrious settlers.

If the Doukhobors average up anything like as well as the samples shown in the picture given herewith, they are certainly a fine looking lot

of people. The cut shows the families of John Ivan and Peter Machortoff, representatives of the people who are now settling in Western Canada. The first steamer arrived last week at St. John with over 2,000 of these people, and some 2,000 more are due a little later. The first lot are now reaching Winnipeg. They will be quartered at Winnipeg, Brandon, East Selkirk, Yorkton and other places, until they can be located in colonies in the spring.

Montreal, Jan. 25.—A seat on the Montreal stock exchange board sold on Jan. 25 at \$10,000.

000, divided into shares of \$50 each. D. Klæsson, D. Scheelenburg, K. Hude, J. Duck, J. Reimer, P. R. Frissen and P. Harder are the applicants.

Wm. Postlethwaite, late manager of the Farmers' Elevator Co., Brandon, has been committed for trial on the charge of fraudulently committing to his own use grain that was stored in the elevator.

At a meeting of the farmers, held recently at Miami, Man., it was decided to build an elevator. A provisional directorate was appointed consisting of W. D. Boyd, T. Renwick, R. Johnston, S. Umphrey, John George, W. Sprott and C. F. Collins.



A GROUP OF DOUKHOBORS

Grain and Milling News.

It is expected that a new flour mill will be built at Indian Head, Assa., this year.

The merchants of Moosomin, Assa., propose to have an elevator erected at that town this year.

The farmers of the district have decided to erect a 35,000 bushel elevator at Rosebank. Shares were subscribed for liberally.

Oatmeal was quoted 10c per barrel higher at Montreal on Monday, at \$3.70 per barrel for rolled, though some was offering at \$3.60.

The Farmers' Union Elevator Co., of Gretna, Man., is applying for incorporation. The capital stock is \$10,

Industrial Combination.

The formation of industrial combinations continues to be the order of the day. Among the more important reported since the beginning of the year is the plan to amalgamate the carbon manufactories of the country into a company with \$10,000,000 capital, and the proposal to increase the capital of the American Steel and Wire company to \$90,000,000, for the purpose of acquiring the Washburn & Moen and other wire concerns which did not join the combination when it was formed a year ago.

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Manitoba.

Wm. Atkin will open in stoves and tinware at Carberry.

Fred Shoultz will open business as merchant tailor at McGregor.

W. Meredith has opened a flour and feed store at Ochre River, Dauphin district.

A. N. Ellis & Co., Carberry, are giving up business. They are now holding a clearing sale.

J. Nicol, of E. Nicol & Son, general merchants, lumber and grain dealers, Boissevain, is dead.

J. R. Mullins will open in the meat business at Virden, continuing also his live stock trade.

J. Mathieson has leased the premises and bought the stock of Jas. McIntosh, tailor, at Neepawa.

L. Fox, formerly of Dauphin, has opened a flour and feed store at Swan River, Dauphin district.

It has been decided to change the name of the Dauphin railway to the "Canada Northern Railway."

J. Jones and his son Fred have purchased the livery and feed business carried on by Robert Doherty at Griswold.

A new paper will be started at Wawanam by Mr. Halpin, formerly editor of the Portage la Prairie Review.

Weir & Jekill, blacksmiths, Ninga, are opening a branch of their business at a country point in the district.

Alick E. Chandler is erecting a building for a general store at Glenella, where he will open a store in the spring.

N. Little has taken over the watch repairing and jewellery business recently carried on by Mr. Henderson at Cypress River.

The directors of the Butter and Cheese company at Ninga have decided to offer the factory to rent for a term of years or for sale.

The Winnipeg market committee has recommended that Wednesday be proclaimed a free market day for all farm produce, live stock, etc., except hay and wood.

A. L. Ashdown and J. H. Bossons, of Portage la Prairie, have been on a trip to Swan River to look over the country with a view to locating a business there.

R. J. Whitla & Co., wholesale dry goods, Winnipeg, contemplate erecting a new warehouse, their business having outgrown the capacity of their present premises.

A new wholesale warehouse is to be built on Princess street, Winnipeg, for the Bole Drug Company. Clare Bros. also contemplate erecting a large warehouse in the city this year.

Duncan Cameron has sold out his general store at Glenlyon, Dauphin district, to S. Mitchell, who conducts a similar business at Gilbert Plains. Mr. Cameron will confine himself in the future to the agricultural implement business.

A partnership has been formed between J. J. Hamilton and G. A. Mathers for the purpose of carrying on the land agency, loaning and insurance business at Neepawa, formerly carried on by Mr. Hamilton alone. Mr. Mathers has carried on a book and stationery business at Neepawa for the past two years.

The second week in February will be "convention" week in Winnipeg.

Besides the big bonspiel there will be meetings of the Manitoba Dairy Association, the Pure Bred Association, and the Sheep and Swine Breeders' Association. Low special passenger rates are quoted for the week on the railways.

Deloraine again suffered from fire on Jan. 26, which started in the implement warehouse of Samuel Leach. A large stock of implements, binder twine, etc., was burned. Insurance, \$4,500. The residence of W. L. McDonald was also burned, and the custom house and the Thomas terrace somewhat damaged.

The partnership between J. E. McAllister, Joseph Riley, A. B. Clark, T. A. Watts and D. A. Clark, under the firm name of Love, McAllister & Co., wholesale stationers, Winnipeg, was dissolved on Jan. 25, J. E. McAllister and T. A. Watts retiring. The remaining partners will continue the business under the old name of Love, McAllister & Co.

The output of the Foxwarren butter factory last season was 31,000 pounds, and prices paid were as follows: May, 14c; June, and July, 13c; August 14c, and September and October 15c, an average of 14c per pound. The output of the creamery for May next has been sold in Winnipeg, to be put up in one, two and five pound packages. A new system of cold storage has been put in. The proprietor, R. Laycock, also announces that he will sack all packages next season to keep them clean.

Assiniboia.]

Dr. N. W. Anderson has opened a drug store at Lumsden.

B. F. Richardson, solicitor, intends opening an office at Sintaluta.

A company has purchased the plant of the Echo Publishing Co., Wolseley.

R. May, proprietor of the Woodbine hotel at Whitewood, has sold out to Frank Rollins.

The Palace livery stable at Wolseley recently built by Jas. Conn, has been rented to Hiram Goulding.

J. J. Longpre, of Menoninee, M'ch., has purchased the barber business of J. H. Cowan, of Qu'Appelle Station.

The stock of M. Narovlansky, general merchant, Moosomin, is to be sold by the creditors on the 31st inst.

Manson Bros., general merchants, Wolseley, have purchased the bankrupt stock of F. Hockin of that place from the creditors at a rate of 67c on the dollar.

A company is being organized to establish a felt factory at Regina. Immunity from taxation for fifteen years and the loan of a building for six years is wanted by way of bonus.

John McGillivray, of Cottonwood, Assn., has written the Winnipeg board of trade to the effect that there is a good opening in that district for a general store.

Spencer brothers, of Sunnyside, Montana, are now going into the stock raising business in the Territories. They have secured about 60,000 acres near Maple Creek, and have brought from Montana about 2,000 head of cattle, which number they will increase largely.

The Medicine Hat News places the shipments of sheep from that district for last season at 17,249 head. This includes shipments from Maple Creek and intermediate points. A great

many of these went to the Kootenay and other British Columbia points, and others to Winnipeg, all being taken by home markets east and west at good prices. This shows the value of the Kootenay trade to the country.

Alberta.

Mr. Tolton will open a furniture store at Macleod.

Sigler & Cristall, general merchants, Edmonton, have dissolved partnership.

A. G. Harrison and S. F. McCauley have entered into partnership as engineers and contractors at Edmonton.

The implement business carried on at Edmonton by Thos. Bellamy has been re-organized as the Bellamy Co. Geo. Bellamy, late of Shoal Lake Man., has acquired an interest in the business and will reside in Edmonton.

The North American News is the name of a small paper with a big name, the first issue of which has appeared. It is published at the Northern Alberta village of St. Albert, by J. A. H. Prevost. It has plenty of room to grow and a big country to grow in.

Insurance Items.

Jas. G. Harvey has been appointed agent for the Canada Life Assurance company for Dauphin, Man.

The Canadian Order of Foresters propose to amend the constitution so as to admit women to all the privileges of the order.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Central Canada Fire Insurance company will be held on February 7, at the office of the Manitoba Trusts company, 341 Main street, Winnipeg.

The Sun Life Assurance Co., of Canada, has foreclosed upon the property of the Cornwall street railway, and as a consequence there is some consternation among shareholders, who happen still to be loaded with this stock.

A Toronto report says: It is rumored that the head office of the Canada Life will shortly be moved from Hamilton to Toronto, and General Manager Ramsay will be superseded by Fred. Cox, son of Senator Cox. Mr. Ramsay to receive a retiring allowance of \$12,000. His salary at present is \$17,000.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership between John Edgar McAllister, Joseph Riley, Andrew Balfour Clark, Thomas Albert Watts and Douglas Alexander Clark, under the firm name of Love, McAllister & Co's, was dissolved on the twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1899, so far as relates to the said John Edgar McAllister and Thomas Albert Watts.

All debts due to the said partnership and those due by them shall be settled with and by the remaining partners, who will continue the business under the name of Love, McAllister & Co's.

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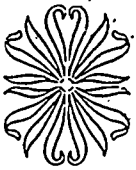
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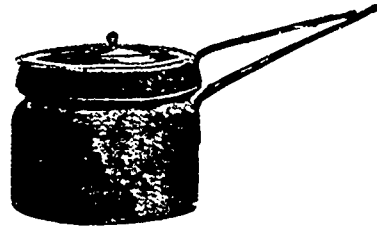
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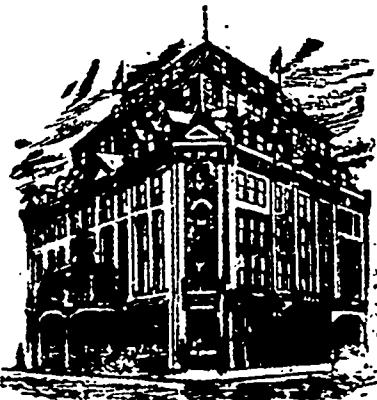
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Beans, 2s, 2 doz.	1	85
Corn, 2s, 2 doz.	2	50
Cherries, red, pitted 2s, 2 doz.	3	75
Peas, Marrowl, 1s, 2 doz.	1	90
Peas, sifted, 2s, 2 doz.	2	25
Pears, Bartlett, 2s, 2 doz.	3	25
Pears, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4	75
Pears, Bartlett, 3s, 2 doz.	5	50
Pineapple, 2s, 2 doz.	5	50
Pineapple, imported, 2s, 2 doz.	5	50
Peaches, 2s, 2 doz.	3	50
Peaches, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	5	50
Peaches, Canadian, 3s, 2 doz.	5	50
Plums, 2s, 2 doz.	3	50
Plums, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4	50
Pumpkin, 3s, 2 doz.	2	50
Raspberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3	25
Strawberries, 2s, 2 doz, new	3	10
Tomatoes, 3s, 2 doz.	2	50
Salmon, talls, 1s, 4 doz.	5	50
Salmon, Cohoes talls, 1s, 4 doz.	7	50
Per tin.		
Sardines, domestic 1/2s.	05	08
Sardines, imported, 1/2s.	09 1/2	15
Sardines, imported, 3/4s.	18	25
Sardines, imp. 3/4s, boneless.	20	33
Sardines, Dom., mustard 1/2s.	10	12
Per doz.		
Imported Fresh Herring, 1s.	1	60
Imp. Kipper Herring, 1s.	1	85
Imp. Herrings, Tom. Sauce 1s	1	90
Imp. " Anch. Sauce 1s.	1	90
Imp. " Shrimp Sauce 1s	1	90
Canned Meats		
Per case.		
Corn Beef, 1s, 2 doz.	3	50
Corn Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	2	60
Lunch Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3	00
Lunch Tongue, 1s, 2 doz.	6	00
Lunch Tongue, U.S. 2s, 1 doz.	6	75
Brawn, 2s, 1 doz.	2	60
Pigs Feet, 1s 2 doz.	2	60
Roast Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3	50
Chicken, Duck or Turkey, 1s 2 doz.	8	50
Per doz.		
Potted Ham, 1/2s.	75	
Devilled Ham, 1/2s.	75	
Potted Tongue, 1/2s.	75	
Potted Ham, 3/4s.	1	50
Devilled Ham, 3/4s.	1	50
Potted Tongue, 3/4s.	1	50
Coffee		
Per pound.		
Green Rio.	0 1/2	10
Inferior grades	5/8	9
Cereals		
Per sack		
Split Peas, sack 9s.	60	250
Pat Barley, sack 9s.	4	25
Pearl Barley, sack 9s.	1	55
Roll Oats, sack 9s.	1	55
Standard Oatmeal, sack 9s.	2	35
Granulated Oatmeal, sack 9s.	1	40
Beans (per bushel)	1	45
Commeal, sack 9s.	1	25
Commeal, 1/2 sack 4s (per 1/2 sack)	0	65
Per pound		
Rice, B.	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Pina	5 1/2c	5 1/2c
Rice, Japan	5 1/2c	5 1/2c
Sago	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Tapioca	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Cigarettes		
Per M		
Old Judge	3	90
Athlete	8	90
Sweet Caporal	3	90
Sweet Sixteen	5	70
Derby	6	60
Cured Fish		
Boneless Hake, per lb.	05	05 1/2
Codfish, whole cases, 100 lbs.	6	00
Codfish, Pure per lb.	07	07 1/2
Herrings, in half-barrels.	3	75
Dried Fruits		
Currents, new, Prov'l Bbls.	05 1/2	6 1/4
Currents, Prov'l Cases	5 1/2	6 1/4
Currents, Prov'l 1/2 Barrels.	05 1/2	6 1/4
Currents, Filiatria, bbls	05 1/2	6 1/4
Currents, Filiatria, cases	06	6 1/4
Currents, cleaned, cases	07	7 1/2
Dates, Cases	07 1/2	08
Figs, Klleme, about 10 lb box.	20	22
Figs, Glove Box, per doz.	3	30
Figs, Cooking, Sax.	0 1/2	1
Figs, lozes.	12 1/2	13
Figs, Tapnets	05 1/2	06
Figs, Portuguese, boxes	07 1/2	08
Prunes, Bosnia, Cases.	08	09
Sultana Raisins.	13 1/2	14
Raisins, Vul., fine, off stalk 1 1/2		
Raisins, Selected, off stalk	1	70
Raisins, Vul. Layers, per box 1	80	1 80
Loose Muscatels, 2 crown	5 1/2	5 1/2
Loose Muscatels, 3 crown	06 1/2	07
Loose Muscatels, 4 crown	08	8 1/2
London Layers, 20 lb Boxes.	1	90
Apples, Dried.	08	8 1/2
Evap Apples, finest quality	10 1/2	11
California Evaporated Fruits		
Peaches, peeled	17	18
Peaches, unpeeled	13	14
Pears	12 1/2	13
Apricots.	16 1/2	17
Pitted Plums	11	11 1/2
Prunes, 100 to 120.	5 1/2	6
Prunes, 90 to 100.	10 1/2	11
Prunes, 80 to 90.	7	7 1/2
Prunes, 70 to 80.	7 1/2	8
Prunes, 60 to 70.	8	8 1/2
Prunes, 40 to 50.	10	11
Matches		
Telegraph	3	85
Telephone	3	65
Tiger	3	50
Nuts		
Per pound		
Brazils	11	12 1/2
Paragona Almonds	14	15
Peanuts, roasted	11 1/2	13
Peanuts, green	9	10
Grenoble Walnuts.	14	15
French Walnuts	12	13
Sticly Filberts	10	11
Shelled Almonds	36	35
Syrup		
Extra Bright, per lb.	3 1/2c	3 1/2c
Medium, per lb.	2 1/2c	3c
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tinso	60	6 75
Molasses, per gal. (New Or.)	35c	40c
Porto Rico	40	40
Barbadoes	48	50
Sugar		
Extra Standard Gran.	5c	
German Granulated	4 1/2c	
Extra Ground	7c	
Powdered	6 1/2c	
Bright Yellow Sugar	4 1/2	4 1/2c
Maple Sugar	11c	12c
Salt		
Per pound		
Rock Salt	1 1/2c	1 1/2c
Per barrel		
Common, fine	1	90
Common, coarse	1	90
Dairy, 100 3	3	25
Dairy, 60-5	3	15
Per Sack		
Dairy, white duck sack	00	50
Common, fine jute sack	00	45
Spices		
Per doz.		
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins.	75	90
Per pound		
Allspice, whole	15	20
Allspice, pure ground	18	22
Allspice, compound	15	20
Cassia, whole	15	20
Cassia, pure ground	20	25
Cassia, compound	13	18
Cloves, whole	17	20
Cloves, pure ground	25	30
Cloves, compound	18	20
Pepper, black, whole	14	18
Pepper, black, pure ground	16	18
Pepper, black, compound	10	13
Pepper, white, whole	23	25
Pepper, white, pure ground	28	30
Pepper, white, compound	18	20
Pepper, Cayenne	25	30
Ginger, whole, Jamaica	25	30
Ginger, whole, Cochina	20	25
Ginger, pure ground	23	25
Ginger, compound	15	25
Nutmegs, (per pound)	55	80
Mace (per pound)	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	16	22
Youngs 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, 4s, and 9s Cads.	00	73
Lily, 8s, cads.	00	63
Rescent, 8s, cads.	00	60
T. & B. Black Cheewing, 5s or 16s	00	64
T. & B. Mahogany Cheewing, 9s or 16	00	64
T. & B. 1-12 pkg, cut	00	89
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	99
T. & B. in 1s tins	00	87
Orinoco, 1-12 pkg.	00	85
Orinoco, 1-5 tins	00	84
Orinoco, 1/2 tins	00	86
Tuckett's Cherub Cigarette 1-12	00	87
Brier, 8s, cads	00	61
Derby, 3s and 4s, cads	00	67
Derby, 8s, cads	00	65
P. & W. Cheewing, Cads.	00	66
P. & W. Cheewing, Butts	00	66
Canadian Leaf, 50 lb bales	21	25
Wooden Ware		
Per doz.		
Pails, 2 hoop clear	1	50
Pails, wire hoop	2	25
Pails, Star fibre	4	00
Tubs, No. 0 common	9	50
Tubs, No. 1 common	8	50
Tubs, No. 2 common	6	50
Tubs, No. 3 common	5	50
Per nest.		
Tubs, nests (3)	1	55
Tubs, wire hoop (3)	2	25
Per doz.		
Tubs, fibre, No. 0	16	50
Tubs, fibre, No. 1	14	50
Tubs, fibre, No. 2	12	50
Tubs, fibre, No. 3	10	50
Per nest		
Tubs, fibre, (3)	4	50
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (2)	4	50
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (3)	7	50
CURED MEATS AND LARD		
Lard, pure, 20 lb pails	\$1	80
Lard, imported, 20 lbs	1	70
Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb tins, per case of 60 lbs	5	75
Lard, pure, Tierces, per lb	8	
Lard, 50lb tubs	5 1/2	
Lard, Compound, 20 lb pails	1	35
Lard, Compound, 3 and 5 lb tins, case 60 lbs.	5	00
Smoked Meats		
per lb.		
Hams	11	
Breakfast bacon, bellies	11 1/2	
Breakfast bacon, backs	11	
Spiced rolls	10	
Shoulders	8 1/2	
Long Clear	9 1/2	
Dry Salt Meats		
Long clear bacon	5 1/2	
Shoulders	5 1/2	
Short Clear	8	
Backs	9	
Barrel Pork		
Per barrel		
Heavy mess	16	00
Short cut	16	50
Meat Sundries		
Fresh pork sausage, lb	7	
Bologna sausage, lb	8	
Pickled pigs feet, kits.	1	40
Sausage casings, lb.	25	30
FRESH FISH, OYSTERS		
Whitefish, lb—	05	05 1/2
Pickered, lb.	04	
Trout, lb.	09	
Pike, lb	02	
Salmon, lb	12 1/2	
B.C. halibut, lb.	12	
Smelts, lb	09	
Cod	08	
Haddock	08	
Smoked goldeyes, doz	30	
Smoked haddies	08	
Boaters, per box	1	50
Salt Whitefish, per 1/2 bbl	6	50
Salt Trout, per 1/2 bbl.	7	50
Oysters, selects, per gal	2	00
Oysters, standards	1	80
Oysters, cans selects, each.	65	
Shell Oysters, bbls	7	50
DRUGS		
Following are prices for parcel lots, with usual reductions for unbroken packages.		
Alum, lb	3 1/2	4 1/4
Alcohol, gal.	5	25
Bleaching Powder, lb.	05	07
Bluestone, lb.	06	07
Bluestone, barrel lots	04 1/2	05
Borax	09	10
Bromide Potash	75	80
Camphor	55	65
Camphor, ounces	60	70
Carbolic Acid:	35	60
Castor Oil	13	20
Chlorate Potash	18	20
Citric Acid	45	50
Copperas	03 1/2	04
Cocaine, oz	5	00
Cream Tartar, lb	25	32
Cloues	20	25
Epsom Salts	03	04
Extract Logwood, bulk	14	18
Extract Logwood, boxes	18	20
German Quinine	30	40
Glycerine, lb.	20	25
Ginger, Jamaica	30	35
Ginger, African	20	25
Howard's Quinine, oz.	40	45
Iodine	4	75
Insect Powder	30	35
Morphia, sul.	1	90
Opium	5	00
Oil, olive	1	25
Oil, U.S. Salad	1	25
Oil, lemon, super	1	60
Oil, peppermint	2	00
Oil, cod liver, gal.	1	25
Oxalic Acid	14	16
Potass Iodide	3	75
Paris Green, lb	20	22
Saltpetre	03	10
Sal Rochelle	30	35
Shellac	35	40
Sulphur Flowers	3 1/2	04
Sulphur Holl, keg.	3 1/2	04
Soda Bicarb, keg of 112 lbs	3	75
Salt Soda	2	00
Tartaric Acid, lb.	40	45
Strychnine, pure crystals, oz.	85	1 00
LEATHER		
Per pound		
Harness, oak	39	
Harness, union oak No. 1	31	
Harness, union oak No. 1 R.	32	
Harness, hemlock No. 1, anchor brand	32	
Harness, hemlock No. 1 R. anchor brand	31	
Harness, hemlock country tannage, No. 1	30	
Do., No. 1 R	32	
Black collar leather.	36	
American Oak Sole.	40	
Sole, union oak	33	
Listowell, sole	26	28
Pestang, sole	27	30
Acton Sole	26	29
B. F. French calf	1	25
B. F. French kip	95	1 15
Canada calf	65	80
Canada Calf, Horseshoe	80	
Niagara Brand Kip.	80	
Wax upper	42	46
Grain upper	42	46
Kangaroo, per foot	30	50
Dolgoza, 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 yards.		
Per ton		
Pennsylvania anthracite—		
Stove, nut or lump	8	00
Pea size	6	50
Canadian anthracite, stove	7	00
Canadian anthracite, nut	6	00
Lethbridge bituminous	7	50
Crow's Nest bituminous	7	50
U. S. bituminous, as to mine	7	00
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		
Per cord		
Winnipeg.	4	00
Tamarac	4	25
Pine, green cut, dry	3	25
Pine, dead cut	3	00
Spruce	3	75
Poplar, green cut dry	2	40
Poplar, dead cut	2	00
Oak, green cut dry body	4	00
Oak, dead cut.	3	75

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, Jan. 28, 1899.

A carload of eggs damaged in a railway wreck, is being offered at 10c per dozen. This has weakened the egg market somewhat. Lemons and oranges are 50c per box lower. These are the only changes in the market this week.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 24 @ 25c choice dairy, jobbers price, 18 @ 19c; Off grade or cooking 15 @ 17c.

Eggs—Local, 50c; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 19 @ 20c.

Cheese—Ontario, 12 @ 12½c, jobbers price Cured Meats—Hams 12½ @ 13c; breakfast bacon 12½ @ 13c; backs 12 @ 12½c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11 @ 12½c; Lard, tins 10c per lb, in pails and tubs 9½c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c, smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked salmon 10c; fresh halibut, 6c; salmon, 7c; bloaters, 7c; Manitoba whitefish, 10c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$12 @ 13 per ton, Ashcroft, \$17.50 @ \$18; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$3.00 @ \$3.25 box; apples, 65c per 50 lb. box; Valencia oranges, \$2.50; navel oranges, \$3.00 @ 3.25 box; seedlings \$2.50 box.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.80; 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10 7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$4.90; strong bakers \$4.40; Oregon, jobbers price, \$4.50.

Grain—Oats, 18.00 @ \$20.00 per ton; wheat, 23.00 @ \$25.00 per ton;

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$23.00 per ton; shorts \$22 ton; bran \$20; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$3 to \$10 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7½ @ 8c; mutton 9 @ 10c; pork 8 @ 8½c; veal 10 @ 10½c; Pemmanican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$4.00 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$5.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.50 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Turkeys, 13½ @ 14c lb; geese and ducks, 12½ @ 13c; chickens, 12 @ 13c.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 10½c 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, icing and bar, 6½c. Paris lump, 6c; granulated, 5c; extra C. 4½c; fancy yellows 4½c; yellow 4½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each, 1 gal. tins, \$4.50 case of 10, ½ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

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

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Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, January 28

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$13.50 @ \$14.00.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.35 @ 1.45; band and hoop iron, \$1.65 @ \$1.75.

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, \$3.75; 18 @ 24, \$4.00; 26, \$4.25 and 28 at \$4.50.

Lead—Pig, 4c, sheet, 4½c @ 4½c per lb; pipe, ordinary, 7c; composition waste, 7½c with dis. 25 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; 1½ in., \$2.80; 2 in., \$2.75.

Sheet Zinc—7½ @ 7½c per lb.

Sheet Copper—16 oz., 17c, and 14 oz., 18c, tinned copper, 16 oz., 19c; 14 oz., 19½c; and planished 14 oz., 25c.

Ingot Copper—17 @ 17½c per lb.

Pig Tin—27½ @ 28c.

Ingot Tin—19½ @ 20c.

Solder—Half and half, 16½ @ 17c; refined; 15 @ 15½c.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.25; all-bright \$2.85 @ 3.00 per box.

Tin Plates—Prices unchanged at \$4.75 @ \$5.00 for I.C., \$6.00 @ \$6.25 for I.X. and \$7.25 to \$7.50 for I.X.X.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., ½ to ¾ inch, \$2.30 @ \$2.40; 1 inch, \$2.30 @ 2.35; 1½ inch, \$2.80 @ 2.85; 1 in, \$3.90 @ 3.95; 1½ in, \$5.14 @ 5.20; 2 inch, \$6.75 @ 6.86; 2 in, \$9.10; Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.95; ¾ inch, \$4.30; 1 inch, \$6.75; 1½ inch, \$9.15; 2 inch, \$11.75; 2 inch, \$16.00.

Barb Wire—f. o. b. Toronto, 4 point, \$2.10; 2 point, \$2.15; safety, \$2.20; plain twist, \$2.05; staples, \$2.25 for galvanized and \$2.00 for bright.

Fence Wire—No. 9 galvanized fencing, \$1.90; No. 12, \$2.00; No. 13, \$2.10.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$2.00.

Cut Nails—\$1.75 base price, with 5c keg, Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

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

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

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

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, ½ @ 5-16, 70 per cent; tire bolts, 70 and 5; machine bolts, 60 and 10; blank bolts, 60 per cent; sleigh shoe bolts, 80 per cent; plough bolts, 60; stove bolts, 70 and 5; nuts, square, 4½c; hexagon, 5½c.

Rivets—Iron, 60 per cent; copper rivets, 45 per cent.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.80, and in 100-foot boxes, \$3.50; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$5.50. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 9½c; ¾ in., 10c; 1 and 5-16 in., 10½c. Manila, 7-16 and larger, 10c; ¾, 10½c; 1 and 5-16, 11c.

Linseed Oil—Raw, 49c; boiled, 52c; 5 to 9 barrels 1c less, 10 to 19, 2c less; net cash, or 2c added for 4 months.

Turpentine—1 to 4 barrels, 65c; 2 to 4 barrel lots, 1c less, net cash.

White Lead—Best brands, Government standard, \$5.62½; No. 1, \$5.25; No. 2, \$4.87½; No. 3, \$4.50.

Dry White Lead—\$4.75 in casks; kegs, \$5.00.

Red Lead—Casks, 4½c; kegs, 4½c. No. 1, casks, 4½c; kegs, 4½c.

White Zinc Paint—Pure, 8c; No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5c.

Putty—We quote: Bulk, \$1.65; bladders, in barrels, \$1.80; bladders, in cases \$1.95; in tins, \$2.05 @ \$2.80.

Mixed Paints—Steady, \$1.00 @ \$1.2 per gallon.

Naval Stores—Resins, \$2.75 @ \$4.50 to brand; coal tar, \$3.00 @ \$3.50; cotton waste, 4½ @ 5c for colored and 6 @ 7½c for white, oakum, 5½ @ 6c, and cotton oakum 9 @ 11c.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, January 28

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4.48c; yellows, \$3.93 @ 4.42.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 30c @ 32c; special bright, 35c @ 42c. Molasses—West Indian, brls, 32c @ 45c, New Orleans, 26 @ 30c; for medium and 35c @ 47c for bright.

Teas—Japans, low grade, 16c @ 20c per lb; Young Hysons, seconds 16c @ 19c; firsts, 25 @ 45c; Indian, 18 @ 50c; Congous, low grades, 10c @ 15c; mediums, 22 @ 25c, and fines, 40c @ 55c; Ceylons, 17 @ 25c, Formosa Oolong, 25 @ 65c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 8 @ 12c; Mocha, 23c @ 28c; Java, 30c @ 32c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, 85 @ 90c; peas, 75c @ \$1; sifted peas, \$1.05 @ 1.20, corn, 95c @ \$1; beans, 80 @ 90c; pumpkins, 70 @ 75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.80, raspberries, 2's, \$1.60 @ 1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.55 @ 1.65; 3's, \$2.50 @ 2.65. Cohoe salmon, \$1.15 @ 1.20; sock-eyes, \$1.35 @ 1.60, lobsters, halves, \$1.75 @ 1.80; tall lbs, \$2.80; flats, \$3.10.

Nuts—Filberts, Sicily, 9c @ 10c; Bordeaux Walnuts, 10½ @ 11c; Grenoble Walnuts, 12½ @ 13c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 3½ @ 4c; do. Patna, 5½ @ 6c; do. Japan, 6 @ 6½c.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk 4½c; fine off-stalk, 4½ @ 5c; selected, 5½ @ 5½c; layers, 6 @ 6½c; Provincial, currants 4½ @ 4½c; Filiatras, 4½ @ 5½c; Patras, 6c; Vostizias, 6½ @ 7½c. California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 17 @ 20c; pears, 9c @ 10c; prunes, 70's to 80's 7½ @ 7½c; 80's to 90's 6½ @ 7c; 90's to 100's, 5½ @ 6c. Bosnia prunes, 5½ @ 6½c; Sultanas, 11c @ 13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @ 13c per lb; citron, 17c @ 20c; lemon 10½c @ 13c. Halloween dates, 6 @ 6½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.75 @ 1.90 per box; black baskets, \$2.40; blue baskets, \$2.50; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats—London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters \$1.25.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 25c, Cochon 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15 @ 18c. Amboyna, 18 @ 25c; allspice, 20c; nutmegs, 50c @ \$1; cream tartar, pure, 25 @ 28c, and 18 @ 25c for compound.

PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$14.50 for Canada mess short cut, \$15.00; clear mess, \$14.00.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7c, ton and case lots, 7½c.

Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 10½c; hams, large, 9½c; medium, 10c; rolls, 8½c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked

Lard—Tubs, 6½ @ 7c.

British Columbia Items,

Chas. Bates, fruits, Trill, is out of business.

H. T. McLoan is opening a drug store at Grand Forks.

Knox & Delaney, jewelers, are opening at New Denver.

Frank Oliver, hotel and private bank, Niagara, is report away.

T. C. Morgan, tailor, Nanaimo, has sold out to Parkes and Aitken.

E. Parry & Co., general store, Soan City, are opening a branch at Niagara.

T. Wilson, general store, Trill, assigned to Edward Ballila, of Rossland.

C. Eagles, second-hand goods, Trill, has sold out to L. J. Berg.

Kauke & Williams, hardware, Trill, contemplate opening a branch at Nelson.

Geo. D. Scott, clothing and mens furnishings, Nanaimo, are now incorporated.

Nelson Hardware Co., Nelson, contemplate admitting Geo. S. Beer into partnership.

Vancouver clearing house returns for the week were: \$576,355; balances, \$109,222.

Parker, Girwood & Co., brokers, Rossland, advertise dissolution of partnership; Chas. Parker continuing.

Arthur & Pretty, wall paper, Rossland, advertise dissolution of partnership; W. Pretty continuing.

C. W. Ford has bought out the business of King Bros., 25 Hastings street, Vancouver, and has opened in groceries.

Parson's Produce Co., Winnipeg, will establish a regular branch in Nelson, where they have previously had an agency. A warehouse, with cold storage facilities, will be erected.

The following items are reported from Victoria: Jos. Ball, saloon, has sold out to Hugh Simpson; J. T. Hooper, saloon, is succeeded by F. W. Stubbs. The Daily Globe Printing and Publishing company, has been incorporated.

The following items are reported from Vancouver: C. Clark, crockery, is dead, Hopkirk & Spence, wholesale and retail liquor, have sold shop license to engage in wholesale exclusively. Culey & Co., manufacturers of soda water, are reported negotiating sale of business to Vancouver Soda Water Co. Mrs. Summers, hotel, has sold out.

H. Schaake, who recently retired from the management of the Automatic Car Company at New Westminster, is establishing a machine shop at the place named. The principal business of the new concern will be the production of various patented machines, chiefly labor-saving appliances, in connection with the salmon canning industry.

The chief feature of trade at Vancouver is the numerous orders for the Yuko and Atlin regions. There is not a wholesale firm in the city that is not busy filling orders for the north, one firm alone having contracted for \$70,000 worth of goods. This order is placed by a Seattle firm, which demonstrates the advantage of outfitting in Canada for the north.

Western Business Items.

A McIntyre contemplates opening a general store at Strathclair, Man.
T. L. Carson, furniture, Yorkton, has sold out to Bull & Dunlop.

F. Zimmer, blacksmith, Rapid City, Minn., has sold out.

S. J. Huston, has opened an hotel at Rapid City, Man.

T. Umphrey has opened a harness shop at Fleming, Assa.

O. S. Moore contemplates starting a drug store at Olds, Alberta.

M. A. Evans, confectionery, Bolsevain, Man., has sold out to J. A. Munro.

C. O. Demourez, jeweler, Indian Head, Assa., has assigned to T. Cameron.

A W. Playfair has entered into partnership with J. Kelso, butcher, of Ealdur, Man.

E. W. Ashley, manufacturers' agent, Winnipeg, is admitting Fred B. Smith into partnership.

The plant of Kingdon & Co., brewers, Rat Portage, has been sold to William Swartz.

The Ogilvie Milling Co. are placing a plant for drying grain in their Winnipeg elevator.

Joyner & Elkington have opened in flour and feed, wood, etc., at Fort Qu'Appelle, with R. Kerr in charge.

Wm. C. McKinnell & Co., are opening a general store at Teulon, Man., the new town on the Stonewall branch extension.

G. J. Jupp has purchased the store of E. James, at Fleming, Assa., and after making some improvements thereto, will occupy it for his business.

The firm of Stewart, Anderson & Tegart, wood merchants, doing business between Arrowtown and Fish Lake, having a depot at Shoni Lake, Man., has been dissolved, Tegart going out of the firm.

R. Muir, of Winnipeg, is said to hold an option on the farmers' flour mill at Portage la Prairie. R. C. Ennis, of Neepawa, has also approached the directors to open negotiations for rental of the premises.

The stock of N. Burke, Winnipeg, consisting of dry goods, clothing, etc., amounting to \$10,268, and book debts amounting to \$5,000, will be sold by auction at a rate on the dollar, on February 7th.

Creamer & Gray, Qu'Appelle Station, Assa., have dissolved, Mr. Gray retaining the implement agency and flour and feed business and taking into partnership J. Smith under the title of Gray & Smith. Mr. Creamer is going into partnership with R. Johnston to take over the feed and livery stables of T. S. Gibson.

Spring Catalogues.

With the temperature ranging away down this week and icy winds blowing out is hardly inclined to think of plants and flowers. A reminder that spring is coming, however has been received in the form of Richard Alston's handsome catalogue of flowers, plants, seeds, etc. During the coldest day in winter, a visit to his establishment will disclose a wealth of bloom and plant life such as would delight the lover of flowers at any time. Mr. Alston has a large greenhouse and seed establishment in Winnipeg, and another large establishment just outside the city, the latter used largely for the growing of cut flowers.

E. A. Small & Co., wholesale clothing, Montreal, have failed. Assets \$146,626. Liabilities \$367,000.

**Clipping a Horse.**

The above cut shows a new article in the horse clipper line, called the New '98 Chicago Clipper, which sells at a low price. It clips a horse in 15 minutes. E. F. Hutchings handles this article in Winnipeg.

Donald Fraser, wholesale clothing, Winnipeg, has returned from the east.

The Winnipeg Plating Co. has been very busy with orders of late, a large amount of nickel plating having been turned out for the Canadian Pacific railway.

Dressed hogs declined 10 to 15c per 100 pounds at Montreal on Monday, to \$7 to \$5.50 per 100 pounds as to quality.

The Montreal retail butchers' association has resolved to raise the price of beef from one to two cents per pound according to quality.

Mr. Rublee, of the Rublee Fruit Co., Winnipeg, is away this week attending a convention of fruit men at Spokane, Wash.

Senator Wilcox has introduced a bill forbidding the manufacture or sale of cigarette in New York state.

The Commercial has received one of the calendars issued by the Bank of Hamilton. It contains a diary with spaces for memoranda, which adds materially to the value of the calendar.

The Manufacturers' Life Insurance company has issued a calendar in the form of a map of the world, after Mercator's projection. Heavy red lines indicate the routes of the principal steamship companies of the world. In addition to this the distances between different points of call are also indicated, while along the margins are given statistical summaries of the area and population of all the principal nations. The calendar is certainly a very useful one.

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THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, Jan. 28.

The rough weather this week checked deliveries of wheat by farmers at country points. Prices have advanced sharply and with favorable weather a much larger movement at country points may be looked for if prices hold. Regarding damp wheat, nearly all the buyers are now taking damp wheat freely, where it is offered by farmers, at 5 to 8c under dry wheat of the same grade, as to degree of dampness. There are a number of drying plants now in operation, and if the farmers market their damp grain in time it will be got into keeping condition before the weather turns warm. Any damp grain held after the weather turns warm, will quickly spoil and become a total loss, so that farmers should be warned against holding it too long. This applies to coarse grains as well as wheat.

Business generally shows a good volume for the season. Bank clearings at Winnipeg continue to show a good percentage of gain over the corresponding weeks in previous years, as will be seen by the report on another page. Building prospects for the coming season are good. A number of proposed new business blocks for the city have already been announced. Interest rates are easy, at 6 to 7 per cent on city property, and 7 to 8 per cent on farm property for ordinary loans. The shipment of spring stocks is now going on with some of the jobbing houses, in such lines as clothing, boots and shoes, etc.

WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, Jan. 28.

(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.)

BLUESTONE.

The strong market for bluestone, as reported last week, continues, and further advances have been made on this commodity by manufacturers. Bluestone was recently offered in the Winnipeg market as low as 1c per lb., which is fully 11-12c under cost laid down here, on the basis of current prices at New York. It is understood that jobbers are now firm in their views at 41-2c for barrel lots, but even at this figure the price is ridiculously low compared with the cost to bring in new stock at current values at factories. Advices from New York this week quote 43-4 to 51-4c at that place for round lots, which means a cost of 51-2 to 6c laid down here. The present quotation of 41-2c here is therefore remarkably low, and a sharp advance may be looked for. The advance in bluestone is owing to the sharp advance in copper. It is said that bluestone has been selling as a by-product of copper at really less than cost of manufacture. On a basis of the present cost of the

commodity, the price here should be at least 51-2 to 6c.

COAL AND WOOD.

The drop in the temperature this week largely increased the movement of coal. There has been decidedly an easier tendency in prices of wood fuel of late. This is owing to the opening up of a new source of supply by the construction of the Southeastern railway. This source of supply is also nearer to the city than other principal wood districts, consequently the fuel can be laid down here at a less cost for freight. The quantity of cordwood offering is large, and quoted prices are sometimes cut in order to make sales. We have made a further reduction all around on quotations, which will be found on another page. J. G. Hargrave, Winnipeg, has been awarded the contract for the supply of poplar wood for city relief purposes the figure being \$3.24 per cord, delivered.

CLOTHING.

Some jobbers have begun to ship out spring stocks quite freely. Sorting traps is of course practically nil at present.

GREEN FRUITS.

Apples are firmer. Spies are scarce and any good fruit of that variety is now held at \$5 per barrel. Winter pears are out. A few Malaga grapes are still obtainable. Catawba grapes are about out. Bananas are coming forward more freely, but the rough weather this week makes it difficult to handle this fruit. Lemons are unchanged. Oranges are 25c lower. Prices are: California naval oranges \$3.75 to \$4, as to size; Mexican oranges, \$3 to \$3.25 per box; California seedling oranges \$3 to \$3.25 a box; bananas, per bunch, \$3 to \$3.50, as to size, Messina lemons, \$4.50 per box; California lemons, \$4.50 per box; Ontario apples, good ordinary stock \$1; fancy spies \$5 per bbl. Almeria grapes \$8 per keg. Froze: cranberries, \$0.75 to \$7 per bbl; cranberries, unfrozen, \$3 per barrel; sweet potatoes, \$5 per barrel; coconuts, \$1 a dozen; Sicily filberts, large 11 to 12c per pound; Grenoble walnuts, 15c; Tarragona almonds, 14c; peanuts, green, 10c; roasted, 12c; pecan nuts, 12c lb.; shell-ed walnuts, 241-2 to 26c per pound; strained honey, 81-2 to 9c per pound; maple sugar, 11 to 12c; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels; California figs, in boxes of ten bricks, \$2 per box; dates, 71-2c per pound; celery, 40c per dozen bunches.

GROCERIES.

The market is quiet this week and without much change. The decline in sulphur matches is noted in another column, under the head of "Grocery Trade Notes." Vancouver refinery sugars are quoted 1-8c higher for everything but granulated, delivered prices at all points except Winnipeg. A sharp advance in brooms at the factories is reported, on account of the corner on broom corn.

HARDWARE.

Heavy hardware and metals are very firm, as will be noted by items published from time to time under the head of "Hardware Trade Notes." This market has not responded to the upward tendency on many lines, but when the spring movement sets in, higher prices may be looked for on several lines. Wire, wire nails, zinc, copper, etc., are among the strongest lines.

RAW FURS.

One error occurred in the cable report of Lampson's London fur sales, given last week. According to our report it appeared that there were two sales of lynx, the first day showing an advance of 20 per cent, and the later sale an advance of 35 per cent. In the latter case, however, the word lynx had been accidentally substituted for mink. The corrected report of Lampson's sales shows the following report:

Red fox advanced 15 per cent.
White fox advanced 30 per cent.
Lynx advanced 20 per cent.
Martin advanced 40 per cent.
Skunk same as a year ago.
Otter same as a year ago.
Wolverine advanced 25 per cent.
Mink advanced 35 per cent.
Black bear declined 15 per cent.
Brown bear declined 10 per cent.
Grizzly bear declined 10 per cent.
Raccoon advanced 15 per cent.
Wolf advanced 20 per cent.

In the Winnipeg market the offerings of furs continue light, from which it would appear that the number of furs taken this year has been less than usual. Of course it is difficult to form an opinion as to the catch in the more distant regions. Advices so far received indicate a light catch, but any information from remote points so far covers only the beginning of the fur season. The moderate snow fall and moderate temperature should have been favorable for trappers, but against this it is stated that swamps in the woods were not frozen as early as usual, which made it difficult for trappers to get about. The tendency of prices is firm, and higher figures are being paid here for beaver, mink, martin, red fox, lynx and wolf. Rat is easy. See quotations on another page.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—The wheat markets on the American continent have this week been on the rampage. Speculative

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buying took possession of them at the beginning of the week, and by yesterday's close had advanced prices 5c per bushel. The European markets have not as yet followed the advance on this side to any perceptible extent. Merchants and millers over there remain indifferent, pursuing a stand to mouth policy, and trusting to the needed supply of wheat coming to hand as required. The movement of wheat in the United States continues about double for the same time last year, and export clearances for the week are moderate. The American visible supply increased for the week 338,000 bushels, and the world's visible supply decreased 52,000 bushels. The Argentine has now begun to ship its new wheat to Europe, and Australia is also shipping in moderate quantity. Growing crops continue to be well spoken of, although in some parts of Europe, including England, the weather has been too mild to be seasonable, and on this side of the water there is less snow covering than seems desirable at this time of year.

The local market has followed Chicago in advancing prices, and the rise on the week for 1 hard in store Fort William is 6c per bushel. At the end of last week, 68c for 1 hard, Fort William, was the closing figure. With Monday there was an advance to 68 1-2c, Tuesday 70c, Wednesday 71 to 71 1-2c, Thursday 74, and yesterday (Friday) prices paid ran from 73 1-2 to 74 1-2c, according to the fluctuations in the outside market. No. 2 hard and No. 1 northern continue at 31-2c less than 1 hard, and 3 hard and 2 northern, and 1 spring at 7c less than 1 hard. For May delivery sale on basis 1 hard were made yesterday at 77 1-2c and 78c. Yesterday and Thursday brought a great many selling orders from country dealers, and there has been more activity in the wheat market here during the last two days, than for a long time previously. The business done is for the most part speculative, as the prices going are several cents per bushel over what can be got for export, and the demand from Eastern Canada is of a very limited nature. Several odd cars of tough wheat have found buyers, but prices paid are very irregular, and quotations would only mislead. The same may be said of dried wheat, there seems no quotable market value for it and prices vary 3c, to 5c per bushel. The demand for either dried or tough wheat is very light and indifferent.

FLOUR—The "boom" in wheat this week has started interest in the flour market. Prices are naturally much stronger, in sympathy with wheat. Prices, however, were irregular. Some brands were quoted 10c per sack higher, but other similar brands were quoted unchanged at old prices. Of course if the advance in wheat holds, flour should be worth considerably more, as the advance in wheat this week is equal to an advance of about 25c per barrel for flour. Prices here to retail dealers are as follows: \$1.95 to \$2.05 for patent, \$1.75 for strong bakers. Glenora \$1.65; Manitoba bakers, \$1.55. Algoma, \$1.30; Imperial XXXX, \$1.15; XXXX, \$1.05 per sack of 98 pounds. Discount of 5c per sack for cash.

MILLFEED—Prices are steady. Bran is quoted at \$10 and shorts at \$12 per ton, with large lots at \$1 per ton less.

GROUND FEED—Prices vary widely all the way from \$7 to \$18 a ton, as to quality. Oat chop is quoted

at \$15 to \$16 per ton; mixed barley and oats, \$13 to \$14, and wheat and mill mixtures at \$7 to \$10 per ton as to quality; oil cake, \$23 per ton; ground corn, \$18 to \$19 ton.

OATMEAL—The market is steady at \$1.90 per sack for rolled oatmeal.

OATS—Owing to very limited offerings for some time back, the market has gradually been gaining strength, and this week a decided advance has been scored, amounting to 1 to 11-2c over prices obtained a short time ago. Offerings of oats at country points have been light, and cars in the country are held at about 22c. The oats marketed at points west of Brandon on the C. P. R. main line, and also on the Edmonton branch railway seem to be all wanted for British Columbia or other western points. The offerings here recently have been barely equal to local requirements. We quote car lots on track Winnipeg at 25 to 28c, as to quality, 25 to 26c being asked for ordinary feed oats per bushel of 34 pounds, and upward for milling qualities. There appears to be a good many damp oats in the country, which should be disposed of now, as they will spoil when warm weather sets in, and will not be fit for seed.

BARLEY—This grain is dull, though the higher prices for oats should improve the demand for feed barley. We quote 24 to 25c per bushel of 48 pounds for car lots on track here, feed grades, and 27 to 30c for malting samples.

WHEAT—Local street market—Millers have been paying 58 to 62c for choice hard wheat delivered at the mills by farmers, as to quality. There is a considerable proportion of damp wheat offering, which brings 5 to 8c under dry grain of the same grade. Prices to farmers at country points are higher, ranging from 53 to 62c, according to freight rates and local conditions.

FLAX SEED—Nominal. This article is scarce and in a small way will bring 70 to 80c here, from retail dealers.

CORN—Car lots on track here would cost laid down about 42 to 44c per bushel of 56 lbs., as to grade.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is steady, and about nominal. Jobbers are quoting 22 to 23c as to quantity and quality.

Butter—Dairy—The market is steady. Buyers are offering 13 1-2c to 14 1-2c here for lots, as to quality, and 15c is paid for choice lots.

CHEESE—Jobbers quote 9 1-2c for large and 10c for small sizes. The market is nominal.

EGGS—Held fresh stock is selling at 18 to 20c, and limed at 16 to 17c. Fresh receipts of case eggs, when of good quality, will bring 22c, but they are often of mixed quality. Farmers evidently impose on country merchants by mixing in held eggs with their fresh gathered. Owing to this mixed nature of new receipts of case eggs, it is difficult to get city retail dealers to pay any more than is asked for held fresh stock. Fresh gathered are only obtainable in a small way from producers at 25 to 35c per dozen.

POULTRY—The supply is limited. Chickens are particularly scarce. Buyers are now offering 10c per pound for good mixed lots of chickens. Ontario turkeys are held at 12c, and Manitoba at 10 to 12c, as to quality; geese, 9 to 10c; ducks, 8 to 10c.

GAME—Rabbits \$1-2c each. Pigeons 20c per pair. Wild ducks 25c per pair.

DRESSED MEATS—Beef is firm, but 6c is still about the outside price for

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VEGETABLES—Onions are in good demand and prices are higher. Potatoes: 35 to 40c per bush; turnips, 20c bushel; parsnips, 1 1-2c per lb.; carrots, 35 to 40c; beets, 85 to 40c per bushel; celery, 40c per dozen; cabbage, 1c per pound; onions, 2 to 2 1-2c per pound.

SENECA ROOT—Nominal at 21c.

WOOL—Nominal at 8 to 8 1-2c per pound. The present series of London wool sales continues to show strong price. United States buyers have had to pay higher prices at this sale for their import requirements, and this is strengthening prices somewhat in the United States.

HIDES—Frozen hides are quoted at 6c. Bulls and oxen 1c less. Five pounds tare taken on frozen hides. Inspected hides are as follows. No. 1, 6 1-2c No. 2 5 1-2c; No. 3 4 1-2c. Brandled hides grade No. 2, and bulls No. 3 kip 6c to 6 1-2c; calf 8c; deacon skins, 15c to 25c each. Sheepskins and lambskins, 50 to 65c for fresh skins; horsehides, 75c to \$1.50 each.

HAY—Baled is quoted at \$7.50 to \$8 on track here and loose on the street market at 6 to \$7.50 as to quality.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Butchers' cattle are quoted at 3 to 3 1-2c off cars here for good to choice animals. The buying of stocker cattle for shipment to the United States is more active. We quote stockers 2 1-2 to 2 3-4c and higher for young animals. The outlook is for firm prices for butchers' cattle. British cattle markets have shown good prices recently.

SHEEP—None offering. Entirely nominal.

HOGS—Quoted steady at 4 3-4c off cars for selected weights.

MILCH COWS—Prices range from \$25 to \$10 per head for new milkers.

HORSES—A considerable number of horses are being brought in from the United States for the spring trade.

Minneapolis Markets.

Compared with a week ago flour is 40c per barrel higher, bran and short, \$1.50 ton higher, oats 3-4c higher, corn 1 1-2c higher, barley 1c higher, eggs 1c lower, poultry 1-2c lower for ducks and geese, apples higher.

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$1.10 to \$1.60, second patents, \$3.90 to \$4.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$10.25 to \$10.50; bran in bulk, \$10.50 to \$11.00; corn feed, \$12.25 to \$14.50 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 3 1-4c for No. 3 yellow, and 3 1-2c for No. 3.

Oats—Held at 29c for No. 3 white, and 28 3-4c for No. 3.

Barley—Malting, 42 to 47c; feed quoted at 39 to 41c.

Flax seed—\$1.16 per bushel.

Eggs—17c for strictly fresh including cases; held fresh, 18 to 14c; seconds, 10c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 10 to 11 1-2c; fair to good, 8 1-2 to 9c.

Butter—Creamery, 15 1-2 to 17 1-2c, for choice to extras; seconds 12 to 14c; dairy 12 1-3 to 15c; for choice to fancy; seconds 11c.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 5 to 6 1-2c; lamb, 8 to 10c; veal, 5 to 8c; hogs, choice, 4 1-4c; medium, 4c, heavy, 3 1-2c.

Poultry—Chickens, spring, 6 to 9 hens 5 to 7 1-2c, roosters 4c; turkeys, 7 to 9c, ducks 5 to 8c; geese, 5 to 7 1-2c. Frozen stock 1c less.

Hides—Green salted hides, 9 1-4c for No. 1; 8 1-4c for No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 6 3-4 to 7 3-4c; sheepskins, 25 to 30c each; veal, calf, 10 to 11 1-2c, tallow, 2 1-2 to 3 1-2c; seneca root, 21 to 24c.

Potatoes—Mixed lots, 25 to 28c, white, 30 to 33c.

Apples—Good winter stock, \$1.50 to \$5 per barrel.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 11 to 12c; medium, 13 to 14c; coarse, 14 1-2 to 15 1-2c.

Hay—\$6.50 to \$7.00 per ton for timothy; mixed clover, \$5 to \$6.

Live stock—Hogs, medium weight, \$3.45 to \$3.65; lights and culls, \$3.15 to \$3.25 per 100 lbs. Sheep, \$3 to \$3.75, lambs, \$4.50 to \$4.75; cattle, stockers and feeders, \$3 to \$4.25; stock cows and heifers, \$2 to \$3.40; butchers' steers, \$3.50 to \$4.50; cows and heifers, \$2 to \$4; bulls, \$2.40 to \$3.75.

Tenders.

Tenders addressed to the chairman of the committee on works, Winnipeg, for the supply of from 1,000 to 2,000 cord of cedar paving wood, will be

received up to Wednesday, February 15th.

Tenders will be received by George Brown, architect, Winnipeg, up to February 20th for the erection of a stock and brick office building on Mal. street, city, for the Manitoba Trusts Company.

Tenders will be asked for engine and boiler in connection with the new Winnipeg waterworks, the tenders to be in by April 3rd and the engines to be in operation not later than 31st December, 1899. The city engineer suggested that a single 5,000-gallon pump be purchased, instead of 4,000,000 gallon duplicate pumping apparatus, in view of the growth of the city having been more rapid than had been anticipated, and in view of the old engines being available in case of a break-down necessitating repairs.

Freight Rates.

It is rumored, says the Chicago Chicago Trade Bulletin, that there is to be a readjustment of eastbound rates and that corn from Chicago to New York will be made 15c on Feb. 1. At the same time the rate on other grains and flour will be made 18c and provisions 25c, a reduction of 5c per 100 pounds.

Ocean rates are slow, with a little disposition on the part of exporters to take advantage of the reduced rates. The rate from Boston to Liverpool has declined to 13-1d per bushel on grain and from New York to 2 1-4 to 2 1-2d.

The through rate from Chicago to Liverpool is 28 to 30c per 100 pounds on flour, 36 to 39c, and 16 1-2c per bushel on wheat.

Saskatchewan.

The Prince Albert Advocate estimates the cost of building improvements at that place for 1898 at \$30,000, a gain of \$10,000 over 1897.

British Cattle Markets.

London, Jan. 23.—Supplies of cattle were light and, in consequence, trade was firm and prices fully maintained at the recent advance. Choice states cattle sold at 18c, and Argentine at 11 1-2c to 12c. The market for sheep was strong and prices 1-2c to 1c higher, choice selling at 11c to 11 1-2c.

A cable from Liverpool quoted choice Canadian cattle at 12c to 12 1-4c. Another cable quoted 11 1-2c to 12c.

New York Wheat.

New York, Jan. 23.—Wheat — Receipts, 296,800 bu; exports, 353,517 bu. Options were strong, and considering the handicap of speculators' apathy, they maintained a bullish position all day. The settlement among the trade received an impulse from stocks. The English cables and good clearances favored the long side, and towards the close compelled a vigorous covering of shorts that made the final prices stop at 1-4 to 1-2c net advance and the tone strong. March, 78 11-16 to 79 1-4, closed 79 1-4; May 75 7-16 to 76, closed 76; July, 73 1-2 to 74 3-8, closed 74 3-8.

New York, Jan. 24.—Wheat — Receipts 294,000 bushels, exports 332,000 bushels. Options opened strong and developed the greatest strength and activity yet witnessed this season. Trade was broad and is credited with good Wall street support, which frightened the shorts into active covering again. It was purely a speculative rise, modelled after the excitement in stocks, with the sentiment everywhere very bullish still. In the last hour realizing appeared and weakened prices somewhat, the close being unsettled at 11-8c to 13-8c net advance. March 79 7-8 to 80 9-16, closed 80 1-2, May 76 3-8 to 77 5-8, closed 77 1-4; July 75 1-2 to 76 1-4, closed 75 3-8.

New York, Jan. 25.—Wheat receipts were 126,430 bushels; exports, 66,990 bushels. Options opened a shade easier from releasing, but subsequently got a fresh start on heavy outside buying and advanced all day, closing active and very strong, at 1c to 15-8c net advance. As usual, speculation and sentiment were the only two influences considered. The public has unmistakably entered wheat, and professionals are now gunning for the big foreign shorts. March 80 1-16 to 82 1-8c, closed 82 1-8; May, 76 3-4c to 78 7-8c, closed 78 3-4c; July, 74 7-8c to 76 3-4c, closed 76 3-4c.

New York, Jan. 26.—Wheat receipts were 116,800 bushels; exports were 149,661 bushels. Options showed great excitement, speculative activity and strength, opening up 13-8c, advancing to a point 4 1-8c over yesterday's closing prices and closing firm at a net rise of 2 7-8c to 3 1-4c. Exporters sold early in the session and caused a temporary reaction, followed by an erratic advance, as indicated. The upward movement was stimulated by the development of an active demand for cash wheat, and a broadening general speculation.

New York, Jan. 27.—Wheat, March opened 86c, closed 85 3-8c. May opened 82 3-8, closed 81 5-8c. July opened 80 1-4c, closed 80 1-8c.

New York, Jan. 28.—Wheat closed to-day as follows: March delivery, 85 1-2c; May, 81 3-4c.

Exports from Atlantic ports this week, 4,997,000 bushels.

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 of mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Wheat, May opened 71 1-8c, closed 72c b. July opened 69 1-8c a, closed 69 5-8c b. Corn, Jan 35 3-4c n. May opened 37 1-4c, closed 38c a. July opened 37 5-8c, closed 38 1-4c. Oats, Jan. 26 3-4c. May opened 27 3-4 to 7-8c, closed 28c. July opened 26 3-8c, closed 26 1-2c n. Ribs, Jan. 35. May opened \$5.12, closed \$5.17. Pork, Jan. \$10.10 n. May opened \$10.22, closed \$10.35. Lard, Jan. \$5.67 n. May opened \$5.82, closed \$5.90 b.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Closing prices were Wheat—May, 73 1-4c; July, 70

5 8c. Corn—May, 37 3-4c. Oats—May, 27 7-8c. Lard—Jan., \$5.87 1-2c.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Wheat, May opened 72 7-8c, closed 75c a. July opened 70 1-2 to 5-8c, closed 71 1-8c. Corn, Jan. 36 1-8c. May opened 37 1-2 to 5-8c, closed 38 3-8c. July opened 38c, closed 38 3-4c. Oats, Jan. 26 3-4c. May opened 27 7-8c, closed 28 3-8 to 1-2c. July opened 26 1-4c, closed 26 5-8 to 3-4c. Ribs, Jan. \$5. May \$5.15. Pork, Jan. \$16.22. May \$19.42. Lard, Jan. \$5.65. May \$5.87 to \$5.87.

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Wheat, Jan. 74 7-8 n. May opened 70 3-8c, closed 77 7-8c. July opened 73 3-8c, closed 75c. Corn, May opened 38 5-8c, closed 38 3-4c. July opened 38 7-8c, closed 39 1-8c. Oats, May opened 28 1-2c, closed 28 3-4c. July opened 26 5-8c, closed 26 7-8c. Ribs, Jan. \$5.02 n. May opened \$5.15, closed \$5.17 b. Pork, Jan. \$10.32 n. May opened \$10.50, closed \$10.57. Lard, Jan. \$5.67. May \$5.87.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Wheat, May opened 77 7-8c, closed 78 1-8c July opened 75c, closed 75 1-4c. Corn, Jan. opened 36 7-8c. May opened 38 5-8c, closed 39 1-8c b. July opened 38 7-8c, closed 39 11-2 to 5-8c. Oats, Jan. opened 27 1-2c. May opened 28 5-8c, closed 28 3-4c. July opened 26 3-4c, closed 27c. Ribs, Jan. \$5.10. May \$5.25. Pork, Jan. \$10.40. May \$10.85. Lard, Jan. \$5.75. May \$5.92.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Wheat opened at 78 1-4c for May, and ranged from 76 3-4 to 78 1-2c. The market was less active and irregular. Closing prices were:

Wheat—May, 77-3-8c; July, 74 3-8c. Corn—Jan., 36 1-4c; May, 38 3-8c. Oat—Jan., 27 1-4c; May, 28 1-2c. Pork—Jan., \$10.35; May, \$10.60. Lard—Jan., \$5.75; May, \$5.95. Rib—Jan., \$5.10; May, \$5.25.

A week ago May option closed at 70 3-4c. A year ago May wheat closed at 96 7-8c. two years ago at 75 1-2c three years ago at 67 1-2c; four years ago at 57 1-4c.

DUN'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

New York, Jan. 27.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say in part to-morrow: Wheat has risen eight cents, with much buying based on exports from Atlantic ports; for the week, exports of wheat, flour included, were 3,813,301 bushels, against 2,971,333 bushels last year; from Pacific ports, 321,255 bushels, against 1,180,272 last year; and from other ports, 462,454 bushels. In four weeks the exports from both coasts have been 19,675,087 bushels, against 16,718,926 last year. Reports of injury to winter wheat always come at this season, but count for little, when the farmers are selling heavily. Corn has advanced 2c, although exports have been 11,515,365 bushels, against 13,061,477 last year, and the surprising continuance of a demand equalling last year's seems to be forgotten. But official trade returns show that this one feature counts for millions in the year's excess of merchandise exports. Failures for the week have been 224 in the United States, against 332 last year, and 33 in Canada, against 34 last year.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Jan. 27.—The stock market opened irregular. Atchison 33; Burlington 138; Louisville 68 3-4; Leather preferred 74 3-4; Manhattan 117; Missouri Pacific 47 1-2; Brooklyn Transit 93 1-4; Northern Pacific 50 1-2; do. preferred 80; People's Gas 116 1-2; Sugar 132 1-4; St. Paul 129; Southern preferred 49 3-4; Tobacco 146 1-2; Union Pacific 47; do. preferred 80 3-4; Federal Steel 54 1-2; do. preferred 87; Western Union 96 1-4. The changes as a result of to-day's transactions were rather mixed with gains predominating. The market opened with a hesitancy, but this was speedily dissipated by an influx of buying orders, and the market started up under the influence of strength in the under-priced specialties.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

No. 1 hard wheat closed to-day (Saturday) at 73 to 73 1-2c for January delivery at Fort William. Wheat is lower owing to the break of 3-4c at Chicago to-day, though New York close firm at a shade over yesterday's close.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the Monday—May 70 1-2c. Tuesday—May, 71 5-8c. Wednesday—May, 73 1-8c. Thursday—May 78c. Friday—Cash 73 3-8c. May 76 1-8c. Saturday—May, 75 1-8-1-4c; July, 75 1-8c. Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 75 5-8c, and cash No. 1 northern at 72 1-2c.

A week ago May wheat closed at 69 3-4c. A year ago May wheat closed at 95 1-2c, two years ago May option closed at 75 5-8c; three years ago at 64 1-4c; four years ago at 57 1-4c, and five years ago at 64 1-8c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Saturday, Jan. 28.—No. 1 northern wheat closed to-day at 73 1-4c for January, and 73 3-4c for May, cash, No. 1 northern, 73 1-4 cash No. 2 northern, 71 1-4c.

SUGAR.

Special to The Commercial. London, Jan. 27.—Market steady. Beet, January option 9s 6d; February 9s 6d. This shows an advance of 3 3-4 to 4 1-2d.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial. Liverpool, Jan. 27.—Cattle firm and higher. Quoted at 12 to 13c, estimated dressed weight.

CHEESE MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial. Liverpool, Jan. 27.—Cheese, unchanged. White, 49s; colored, 49s.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Flax seed, close to-day at \$1.20 for cash, and May \$1.19.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Jan. 28.—Wheat closed 1-1d higher.

LONDON STOCKS.

New York, Jan. 27.—The Commercial Advertiser's financial cable from London, says: The stock exchange clearing house here broke down last night, owing to the heavy settlement in Americans and African-ventured business, was impeded to-day.

The post office department has arranged for the exchange of three cent stamps, where parties have no further use for that denomination. Other stamps will be given in exchange at the face value of the stamps presented.

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TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Jan. 28.

Dry goods—More active. Large shipments of spring goods are being made this week, but business will not likely be pushed much after this till after Feb. 1st, which is the most important payment date of the year. Dress linings were advanced this week. Foulard are 3-8c higher. Campbellford flannels have been advanced 1c per yard.

Groceries—Canned goods very firm. Adverses from the coast say salmon stocks are cleaned up. Local houses sold four thousand cases each of tomatoes and corn this week for Klondike trade. Brooms have advanced fifteen to twenty cents per dozen. Teas here are held very firm. A cable from Colombo reports Ceylon 1-2c dearer. Cured meats are firmer, Mess pork is \$1 higher for Canada short cut.

Hardware—Trade is active for the season. Wire nails are firmer, and \$2 is now the lowest quotation. An advance is expected in a few days. Fencing wire is 5 to 10 per cent higher. Folder 1c dearer. Pig tin 1-1/2 higher at 27 1-2 to 28. The discount on brass and copper wire is 20 per cent advance on list. The discount on copper rivets and burrs is reduced 40 per cent. Barb wire is 10 per cent dearer and all plain and fence wires are firmer. Ingot copper 2c dearer. Sheet copper is 1c higher. Glass is firmer on account of the advance and threatened strike in Belgium.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Jan. 28.

Grain deliveries have continued light. Wheat has advanced sharply, but export business is light. Ontario flour has advanced 15c per barrel. Manitoba flour was firm but not quoted higher. Oats are 1 to 1-1/2c higher on the week. Dressed hogs have declined 10c per 100 pounds. Hog products are easier. Eggs are 1c lower. Mess pork (Canada short cut, \$1 down). Flour—Manitoba patents, \$4.15; Manitoba bakers, \$3.90; Ontario straight roller, \$3.40 per barrel. Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat 72c for cars at country points. No. 1 hard, 84 to 85c; grinding in transit. Oat.—White, 29 1-2 to 30c for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 46 to 47c at country points for car lots.

Mulfeed—Shorts, \$13 to \$16 per ton at country points. Bran \$12 to \$12.50 per ton.

Oatmeal—\$3.30 in bags per barrel and \$3.50 in wood for car lots.

Eggs—Fresh, 17 to 18c; new laid, 20 to 22c; limed, 15c.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 11 to 13 1-2c for choice fresh goods; creamery, tubs, 19 to 20c.

Hides—No. 1 green, 81-2c; cured, 9 1-4c sheepskins and lambskins, 80 to 90c; calfskins, 8 to 10c; tallow, 31-2c. Wool—Washed fleece, 14 to 15c.

Beans—\$1 to \$1.10 per bushel for hand picked and 80 to 95c for common lots.

Dressed hogs—\$4.90 per 100 pounds for car lots of mixed weights.

Dried apple—6c for round lots, evaporated, 8 1-2 to 9c.

Honey—6 to 7c in bulk.

Poultry—Turkeys, 7 to 10c; chickens, 35 to 75c a pair; geese, 5 to 6c.

Seeds—Red clover, \$3.50 to \$4; alsike, \$3.50 to \$4.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Jan. 24.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 50 car loads, including 600 sheep and lambs and 900 hogs.

Good cattle sold readily at steady prices. Common butchers' stock were easier and 1-4c lower. Export cattle, \$1.25 to \$1.65 per 100 pounds. Butchers choose \$3.25 to \$4, common \$2.50 to \$2.75. Export bulls \$3.25 to \$3.75, light bulls \$2.25 to \$3. Stockers and feeders in good demand for Buffalo at \$3.25 to \$3.60 for stockers, and \$3.25 to \$3.75 for feeders. Sheep, \$3 to \$3.35, lambs \$4 to \$4.10, bucks \$2.50 to \$2.75. Hogs were slow. Prices for choice selections were weaker, being quoted 2 1-2c per cwt lower, at \$4.38 per cwt. Light were steady at \$4.25 per cwt. Thick fat \$3.75. Sows \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 27.

Receipts of live stocks at the market to-day were 40 car loads of all kinds, including 200 sheep and lambs and 1,000.

Prices realized were the same as at Tuesday's market for everything but sheep and lambs. The former were 10c lower, and the latter 5c lower than on Tuesday per 100 pounds.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 28.

General firmness characterizes the market for heavy hardware and metals. About the strongest line now is tin, owing to the further advance in England, where the market is "booming." Here ingot tin is quoted 2c higher.

White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2, No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c. r.d. lead in kegs, 41-2c. Linseed oil, raw, 49 to 50c. Boiled 52 to 53c, turpentine 64 to 65c. Bar iron, \$1.10 to \$1.50; tin plates, cokes, \$2.85 to \$3; I. C. charcoal, 3.25 to \$3.75; Canada plates, \$2.15 to \$2.25; tern plates, 5.95 to \$6.25 galvanized iron 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c. lead, 3.75 to \$4. iron 4 1-4 to 4 1-4c; putty in bulk, 1.65; in bladders, \$1.80; ingot tin, 26c; cement, English brands, 3.30 to \$3.40 Germany, 2.45 to \$2.55, and Belgium 1.85 to \$1.95 per barrel, ex-wharf. Rope, sisal 10 to 10 1-2c; Manila, 11 1-2 to 12 1-2c for 7-16 size and larger.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 28.

The sugar market is firmer, but without change this week. Molasses is strong and an advance is expected. Prices are generally steady.

Granulated sugar lower at \$1.30 per 100 lbs. at refineries; yellows \$3.75 to \$1.25; molasses 31c in car lots syrups 2 to 2 1-2c as to quality a layers, 61-2c; currants, 51-8 to 61-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8c to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 51-2 to 53-4c; standard B., 33-4 to 4c.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 28.

The dairy market is easier all around. Cheese is dull and nominally 1-4c lower on the inside range. Creamery, tubs and boxes, butter is 1-2c lower and dairy 1c lower for both tubs and rolls. Poultry is in good demand, still, but there is an over supply of gorse, which are 1c lower. Dressed meats are steady. The grain and feed

market is steady and without change. Flour is firm.

Oats—No. 2 white 32 to 32 1-2c in store.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are. Manitoba strong bakers \$4; Manitoba patents, \$4.10 to \$4.20. Mulfeed—Bran \$14 to \$14.50 per ton. shorts \$16, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.75 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8c to 9c; sheepskins, 40 to 50c; lambskins, 70c; tallow, 31-2 to 4c.

Eggs—Fresh candled 14 to 17c per dozen as to quality.

Butter—Choice, fresh dairy, 14, 15c rolls; 14 to 15c; held stock, 12 to 13c.

Butter—Creamery, boxes, 19 1-2c, tubs, 19c.

Cheese—Choice western, 10 to 10 1-4c. eastern, 9 3-4 to 10c.

Beans—\$1.00 to \$1.10 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—In car lots, 57 1-2c.

Poultry—Dressed turkeys, 9 to 10 1-2c. ducks, 7 to 9c; geese 4 to 6c, chickens, 7 to 8c.

Dressed meats—Western, fresh dressed beef, hinds, 5 to 7c; fores, 3 to 5c. Choice abattoir hogs sold at \$6. country dressed, \$10 to \$5.20 per 100 pounds. Mutton, 51-2c, lamb, 61-2 to 7c.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 24.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End Abattoir yesterday were 500 head, and 50 sheep and lambs.

Cattle were firmer, and all sold readily at a shade better prices. Only a few very poor animals were not wanted. Choice butchers' cattle sold at 41-2 to 43-4c; good at 41 to 4 1-4c; fair at 31-2 to 33-4c, common at 23-4 to 31-4c, and inferior at 2 to 21-2c. Sheep brought 3 to 3 1-4c, and lambs, 41-4 to 43-4c.

At the Grand Trunk stock yards the receipts of hogs were about 100 head. The market was weaker and sales were made at \$4.10 to \$4.25 per 100 pounds, fed.

THURSDAY'S MARKET.

Montreal, Jan. 27.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts of cattle were 500 head, sheep and lambs 150. Prices were fairly steady, excepting for hogs, which were a shade lower. Sheep were quoted at 21-2 to 3c, lambs 4 to 4 1-2c. Hogs 4 to 4 1-4c. Cattle the same as at Monday's market.

MANITOBA WHEAT STOCKS.

There were 1,647,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on January 21.

Stocks of wheat at Fort William, Fort Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior country points are estimated at 8,200,000 bushels, compared with about 5,000,000 bushels a year ago.

WINNIPEG WHEAT INSPECTION.

Returns for last week report 260 cars of wheat inspected, which graded as follows: 1 hard, 68 cars; 2 hard, 7; 3 hard 1; 1 northern, 80; 2 northern, 9; 3 northern, 1; 1 spring 10; rejected 20. no grade, 63.

ADVANCE IN TIN.

There is much excitement in Cornwall owing to the heavy advance in the price of tin, which to-day was quoted at 65, against 438 last year, being a rise of 68 during the past fortnight.