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WINNIPEG, MAY 13, 1889.

D. B. MURRAY, barber, Winnipeg, is dead.

T. MADDEN, hotelkeeper, Winnipeg, has absconded.

R. McKERNAN, is opening a butcher shop at Edmonton.

R. CLUTTERHAM will open a hardware shop at Edmonton.

J. K. McKINNIS is about to open a fruit store at Moosomin.

H. HARRIS, physician, Killarney, has removed to Winnipeg.

J. E. LEMIEUX, groceries and provisions, St. Boniface, has sold out.

The Brandon board of trade pamphlet is ready for distribution.

JOHN A. McDONALD, hotelkeeper, Winnipeg, effects advertised for sale.

CHAS. BELL, hotelkeeper, Crystal City, Man., has sold out to one Williams.

The Calgary council will expend \$1,000 in providing a market for the town.

R. O. BAKER, furniture dealer, Macleod, Alberta, has sold out to J. D. Quail.

LAFFERTY & MOORE, bankers, Calgary, are opening a branch at Vancouver, B. C.

CHITTEBLAM & DUNBAR are about to open a tinware business at Portage la Prairie.

JOHNS, livery and feed stables, Pilot Mound, Man., has sold out to Andrew Dickson.

The board of trade lately organized at Edmonton, elected its officers on April 27th.

The stores in Minnedosa, Man., are closed every evening, except Saturdays, at 7 o'clock.

JANE McLEAN & Co., general storekeepers, Moose Jaw, have sold out to E. A. Baker & Co.

SHANNON & TODD, Neepawa, Man., are about to open a bakery and fruit shop in that place.

It is stated that Birtle, Man., will shortly have a newspaper to replace the *Observer*, recently moved to Pilot Mound.

D. H. McCALLUM has disposed of his livery business, stables and lot, at Moosomin, Assa., to Jas. Inglis.

DR. LAMONT has opened a drug shop, and Straube a hardware establishment, at Treherno, Manitoba.

ALLOWAY & CHAMPION are about to open a private bank at Rat Portage. A. H. Dickens will have charge.

GENERAL freight and passenger traffic manager is now Robert Kerr's title on all C. P. R. lines west of Port Arthur.

THE Winnipeg city council have adopted plans for the new market building and are calling for tenders for its erection.

THE firm of Draper & Boston, retail dry goods, Winnipeg, has been dissolved. The business will be carried on by Draper.

THE Winnipeg Consolidated Gold Mine Company's lands, at Rat Portage, are advertised for sale, by the sheriff, on the 6th July.

A. CARRUTHERS, a wood dealer, of Strathroy, Ont., is on a prospecting tour through Manitoba, looking to an extension of his business to this province.

JARRETT Bro's, planing mill, Calgary, announce that McBride, from Ontario, has opened out a wheel-wright's shop in connection with their business.

MR. J. H. GLASS, of the new boot and shoe manufacturing house, of Stevens, Glass & Clarke, successors to C. S. Hyman & Co., London, Ontario, arrived in the city last week. Mr. Glass will do the country as far as the coast in the interest of his firm. He is already well known in the western trade, having formerly represented C. S. Hyman & Co., here.

A DEPUTATION of the Grocers' Association waited on the city council and petitioned that the license fee of peddlers be increased to \$125 for a vehicle and \$50 for all others, and it was moved that the city solicitor be instructed to amend the by-law to comply to the petition of the association, and also to provide that traders and merchants bringing goods, merchandise, etc., to the city for disposal without the intention of becoming bona fide merchants and remaining in the city be also licensed and taxed.

THE Brandon Sun has come out against the dual school system in Manitoba. In the Territories nearly all the papers are agitating against the same system. It does seem strange that in an intelligent and progressive people, such as we have here in the West, cannot trust each other in this matter. It would certainly seem better for the country if all classes could unite in perfecting one public school system, instead of keeping up two different systems, with its heavy expense. In our sparsely settled country, the school tax is a heavy item, and under the dual system established here, two schools are sometimes maintained in districts where the population is scarcely large enough to support one good school.

J. S. McLEAN, Moose Jaw, Assa., has sold his grocery stock to E. A. Baker & Co.

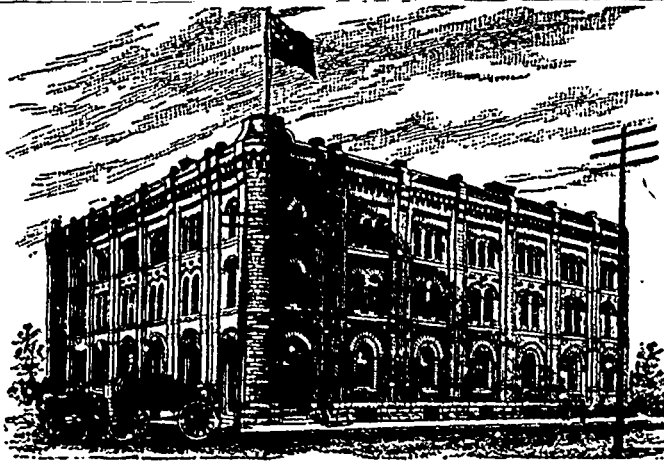
S. H. CASWELL's plant is on the way for his new rockery at Qu'Appelle Station, Assa.

THE Rockwood cheese factory, at Stonewall, Man., will not be operated this season. The patrons have not been satisfied with the results attained in the past, which is the reason for closing the factory. A large quantity of butter for the Winnipeg market may therefore be looked for from Stonewall this year.

THE destructive fire on Main street last Sunday evening entailed a loss of \$31,000. By steady unflinching work the fire brigade held the furious flames well to the block in which the fire originated. Most of the buildings were an eye-sore, as is most of this portion of the street, and its cremation, outside of the loss to the individuals concerned, will not be an un-mixed evil. The following is a list of the losses, together with the insurance and the buildings and stocks: Losses—Freeman, building, \$16,000; C. A. Baskerville, hardware store, \$9,000; G. A. & Mrs. Anderson, store, \$3,000; P. & E. McKeown, saloon, \$3,000; T. Lyon, building, \$500; S. Ripstein, store, \$2,000; Mrs. Parmeter, store, \$4,500; Glass & Glass, building, \$3,000; Millstein, stock, \$400; Bell Bros., grocers' stock, \$4,500; G. Gill, \$70; McGee, \$100; Mrs. McCracken, \$600; F. Burrows, cash, \$1,700; Jewish Synagogue, \$500. Total \$49,320. Insurance—E. McKeown, \$800; G. A. Anderson, \$450; John Freeman, \$6,500; Thos. Lyon, boots and shoes and building, \$3,000; C. A. Baskerville, \$4,000; Bell Bros., \$2,000; Glass & Glass, \$2,000; Mrs. Parmeter, \$2,200. Total, \$18,250. The Freeman block will likely be rebuilt at once.

At the last meeting of the Port Arthur board of trade, the following resolution was passed: Whereas, it has come to the knowledge of this board, that application has been made to the Department of Crown Lands, at Toronto, for the privilege to cut timber, other than pine, over large areas of government lands, in the townships composing the silver district to the southwest of Port Arthur. And whereas, the granting of such privileges would result in locking up large quantities of poplar and other timber now used for fuel in the mining district. And whereas, the Beaver, Badger, Silver Mountain, East and West End Mining Co.'s are now using collectively not less than (4) four acres daily of such timber. And whereas, careful estimates of the quantity of such timber now in the district would not supply the legitimate demand for mining purposes, with the expected increase of that industry for many years. Therefore, be it resolved, that the Ontario Government be requested to refuse to grant privileges to cut timber, other than pine, in the townships of Oliver, Paipoonge, Conmee, O'Connor, Gillies, Marks, Lybster and Strange and adjoining unsurveyed government lands excepting for the actual use of the mines, and in such cases that the privilege be granted direct to the mining company applying for the same, the timber to be used on their own location exclusively, or for the bona fide use of pulp making, when the Government is satisfied that such an industry is legitimately established in the district, or for sawmilling, railway or other public works.

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Lumber Cuttings.

W. D. Rorison, whose elevator was recently burned at Carberry, Man., is making arrangements to start a saw mill at Ottertail, in the Rocky Mountains, with a capacity of 20,000 feet per day. He will also rebuild his elevator at Carberry.

G. F. Slater, shingle manufacturer, of Vancouver, B. C., who ships so many shingles into Manitoba, has recently completed and launched a scow which is said to be the finest craft of the kind in the district. It will be used in connection with his shingle mills.

J. M. Taylor, planing mill, Portage la Prairie, Man., has built an addition, which will give him nearly one-third more shop room for machinery and workmen. He has rented the sash and door factory to J. H. Rossons for the summer, but will retain the lumber yard.

Sutton, the lumberman of Cowichan, B. C., has entered into partnership with a company of capitalists for the purpose of building a dam across the Cowichan River, so as to bring logs down from his timber claim near Cowichan Lake. This will be quite an extensive undertaking, and about thirty men will be employed. The work will be completed in about three months.

The effects of the judgment of the Supreme Court in case of McLaren vs. Leacock gives the appellant, Mr. Leacock, a chance to share in \$15,000 now lying in court, as well as a share of the limits, amounting to 200 square miles, in addition to several other assets. This is an old case which has been going on for years, regarding certain timber lands, etc., in Manitoba.

J. N. Kendall, of the McLaren-Ross Lumber Co., has arrived at Westminster, B. C., having come under the instructions from the company to erect the sawmill on the Fraser River. He will purchase a portable sawmill immediately, for the purpose of cutting the building material on the ground, and will commence operations at the earliest possible date. On the completion of the Fraser River mill, says the Westminster *Columbian*, Mr. Kendall will build

another mill at some convenient point on Vancouver Island.

The *Courier*, of Nanaimo, B. C., says: D. McLaren, of the McLaren-Ross Lumber Company, returned the other day from a two week's trip in company with M. King, to lumber districts of the northern part of Vancouver island. Mr. McLaren expresses himself as highly pleased with the fine lumber which he saw in his travels. His company will erect two large saw mills in the province—one at New Westminster, while the location of the second has not yet been decided upon, but Nanaimo is considered as a favorable point of location. Mr. McLaren leaves this morning for Victoria and will remain in the province about a month longer before returning east.

The *Bulletin*, of Edmonton, Alberta, says: A report reached town on Monday that Lamoureux Bros. saw, shingle and planing mill at their limit at the west end of Stow Plain had burned on Thursday, April 11th. The fire started unaccountably in the mill between four and five o'clock in the morning, and was so far advanced when discovered that nothing could be saved from the building. In the progress of the fire some part of the building fell on the safety valve of the boiler, causing an explosion which blew one side out of the building. The planer and shingle machine were not badly damaged. About eight thousand feet of lumber and eight thousand shingles were burned. The remainder of 300,000 feet of lumber on hand with a large quantity of shingles and lath were saved by great exertions. The loss is estimated at \$5,000. No insurance.

The *Times*, of Victoria, B. C., says: The purchase of Rock Bay saw mill, Victoria, owned by W. P. Sayward, was practically concluded by the late Mr. Dunsmuir some time before his death and we learn that the arrangement will be carried out by his successors. It is understood that the price agreed upon for the mill property and business was \$75,000. The logs and lumber on hand, which are also purchased, are estimated at \$50,000, but their value will be determined by inventory. The purchase does not include Mr. Sayward's tim-

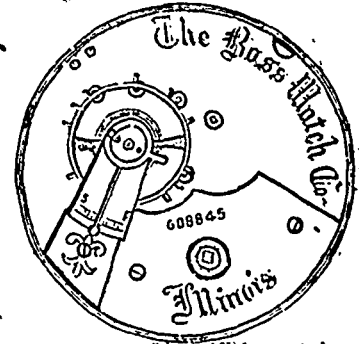
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General Notes.

M. McCauley left Edmonton, Alberta, recently for Athabasca Landing and Grand Rapids of the Athabasca, where he is to build a tramway for the H. R. Co., on the island portage in the rapids.

A dispatch from Chicago notes the formation, by twenty-six western concerns, of a combination or trust to regulate trade in knit goods. This number is said to include nearly all the western producers of this class of goods.

The abandonment of silk culture in California is foreshadowed by the action of the Governor of that State in vetoing an appropriation of \$10,000 made by the legislature to carry on experiments in that direction. The reason given is that California cannot compete with China or Japan in that industry.

The enormous outfits for salmon fishing in Alaska, which have been sent this season from San Francisco have, it is said, had the effect of creating an uneasy feeling in the English market. Should the Alaskan canners be successful in a moderate degree, it is estimated that the aggregate pack of the coast will be in excess of the demand, and in which case a sharp reaction of the high figures of the last two years may be expected.

About sixteen hundred tons of quartz have been taken from the Good Friday claim, Texada Island, B. C., for shipment to San Francisco for the purpose of reduction. It is to be hoped that the test will be as satisfactory as the owners can desire. Dr. Bredemeyer, who recently visited Texada, is convinced that the island contains excellent quartz, and will in the near future be a great producer of the precious metals.

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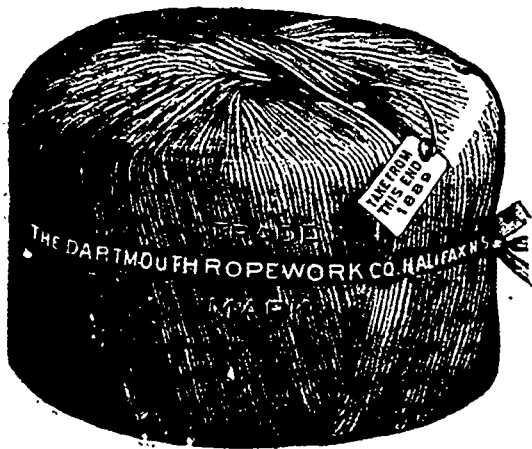
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MR. WIMAN'S HOBBY.

Despite the adverse criticism received by Mr. Erastus Wiman from the protected classes of Canada, and all the abuse heaped upon him and sinister motives attributed to him by the protectionist press of the Dominion, there is a ring of sincerity and honesty about all his utterances upon what may safely be called his political hobby, namely: Commercial Union between the Dominion and the United States. Men who display the pertinacity of Mr. Wiman in pushing a political hobby, no matter how sincere they may be, must expect to have many opponents if not bitter enemies, and political opposition in this Dominion has so long been associated with the abuse of opponents, that it would be strange indeed, if Mr. Wiman did not come in for a heavy share. But people who display less of the partizan spirit, even if they differ with him, are prepared to at least give him credit for both honesty and sincerity of his motives.

It does not follow that because Mr. Wiman is both honest and sincere, that he is either wise or consistent in his advocacy of Commercial Union. On the contrary it is often a fact that sincerity develops into both inconsistency and bigotry, and the enthusiast often drifts into questionable means to reach what he considers a desirable end, and it is to be feared that Mr. Wiman does at times allow his enthusiasm to run away with his consistency.

In his recent address at Ottawa Mr. Wiman, after asserting that the Government of Canada was superior to that of the United States, and its people quite as thrifty, accounted for the greater progress of the latter country by the theory, that the free trade intercourse between all parts of that country from which Canada was now shut out was the cause, and therefore to share in that intercourse Canada must have Commercial Union with the States. Mr. Wiman showed his inconsistency when he failed to follow his argument to its natural conclusion, namely, that both of these countries by building a tariff wall around them had shut themselves out of participation in an intercourse with the whole commercial world, which would

greatly add to the progress of both. Instead of that Mr. Wiman wishes Canada, already loaded with a tariff, which is a legalized system of plunder of one class to enrich another, to place itself under another tariff still heavier; or to build its tariff wall a little higher, and extend it so as to embrace the United States. Unless Mr. Wiman has come to the conclusion that the whole world is contained in North America, he can scarcely fail to see the inconsistency, if not the absurdity of his assumption.

It is useless for Mr. Wiman to point for an impetus to progress to any system of Commercial Union under a burden of tariff. There is but one gateway to trade progress, and that is by striking every tariff shackle from the limbs of trade, except such as are necessary to provide a revenue for the Government of our country. A mere glance at the exports and imports of the country shows the truth of this. From our forests, mines, grain fields and other sources of industry, which are in no way protected comes the bulk of our exports, while the bolstered manufactures of which our own people pay the bolstering, have to be consumed and paid for at home, or if exported, as they sometimes are in a small way, they are sold at a loss to their exporter, which the home consumer has to pay. And it is the same in the United States. The highly protected manufacturer there is powerless to compete in the foreign market, and the bulk of his export business, (and the bulk is small for so large a country), are goods thrown to slaughter to prevent a glutted market at home.

There is but one way to Commercial Union on this continent, and that is by the reduction of tariff, until protection has been buried as it ought to be, as one of the last relics of slavery days. Judging from the manner in which Mr. Wiman eulogises the unprotected hen, we should infer that he sees clearly how the abolition of protection is the only way to a Commercial Union that can be made permanent, just and progressive. He can scarcely be so blinded in his eagerness for the accomplishment of his hobby, as to believe in the fallacy that two burdens united bring relief to their bearer.

But we want another word with Mr. Wiman about that hen. He has been associating himself so much with that fowl, that we fear he begins to cackle at times. It was mere cackle he was indulging in, when he said that during his

visit to Winnipeg he met scarcely a man who did not wish he had remained at Minneapolis on his way to Manitoba. He must have met but few of the solid business men of the city, for assuredly there is not a crowd of men on this continent who have more implicit faith in the future of the city they live in than they have. Winnipeg some five years ago had a speculative loafer population of over three thousand, which is now under three hundred. Numbers of these three thousand have left for Minneapolis and other places since Mr. Wiman was here. It is very probable that Mr. Wiman got well stuffed by men of that class, for he had plenty of them hovering around him while he was here, and he would get plenty of discontented talk from them no doubt. While Winnipeg has lost thousands of such men within the past four or five years, the number of solid business men of real value as citizens that have left during the same time could almost be counted on Mr. Wiman's fingers and toes, if that gentleman possesses the usual number of digits allowed to ordinary humanity.

MANITOBA RAILWAY DEALS.

There is a class of the public who trouble themselves greatly to secure news before it becomes public property, and that class must of late have been put to their wits end scenting after railway rumors of deals, the consummation of which are still events of the future. One day they would hear of the N. P. & M. swallowing up the M. & N. W. and the next would bring news of a union of the N. P. & M. and Northwest Central. Such people would be far better off if they could take a patient view of matters and await actual developments, instead of hunting around after hazy rumors.

But more practical people in hearing these rumors are constrained to think that they are not without foundation. How much truth they actually contain, it is folly to inquire into, but it is beyond doubt, that they contain some, and the best gauge by which to measure probable future results, is to view the aims or as we might put it the necessities of the party credited with the aggressive action in these alleged deals, and that party is the N. P. & M. Railway Co.

A year ago when the Northern Pacific Railway Co. through its adjunct the N. P. & M. Company secured an entrance into this country, too many people judged

or estimated the importance of the matter by a view of immediate results, and it has taken only one year to show how short sighted was such an estimate. At that time the St. P. M. & M. Company was also seeking a subsidized entrance into this province, and was offering liberally to secure the aid of the Local Government. At that time the St. P. M. & M. was free from the control of the C. P. R. stockholders, and there is no reason to doubt, but their offers to the Greenway Government were made in perfect honesty and good faith. But in the past that company had played so subservient to the C. P. R. at times when the province of Manitoba most needed their independent help, that a cloud of suspicion hung around their every movement, and neither the Government nor people of Manitoba were willing to place much reliance upon their offers or professions, and as a natural consequence they were shut out from the entrance to the province, granted to the Northern Pacific Company. With this entrance secured the N. P. & M. Co. had no necessity for extending their lines outside of the province by which they were subsidized, so long as the St. P. M. & M. remained independent of C. P. R. control. Their proper course was to secure connections as thoroughly as possible throughout Manitoba, and push for their share of the heavy carrying traffic between here and the East, which the province is gradually developing.

But time works changes in railway as well as other prospects, and quite a change has come over those of the N. P. & M. Company within the past few weeks. It is now almost certain that the St. P. M. & M. road is once more controlled by C. P. R. influences, and that its interests and those of the Canadian road are once more identical. It is possible that this change may have resulted from the St. P. M. & M. failing last year to secure a subsidized entrance into Manitoba. But be that as it may, it is evidently once more a link of what once was our oppressive railway monopoly. By linking itself thus with the C. P. R. the combination furnishes a line to the Pacific Coast through the United States and another through Canadian territory, thus paralleling the N. P. road both on the north and on the south. The combination is in a position to compete to the Pacific Coast through the States under the provisions of the interstate commerce

law, or through Canada, where that law does not exist. It is nothing more than natural that, hedged in on both sides in this manner, the N. P. Company, through its adjunct the N. P. and M. should seek means to secure a road to the Pacific through Canada, also, and thus be in a position to fight on even ground with the strong combination it has to oppose. The extension of the N. P. & M. road across the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific is a huge undertaking, but not so huge as to scare a powerful company like the Northern Pacific. By securing control of either the M. & N. W. or N. W. central the burden of the undertaking would be materially lightened, as both roads have land grants from the Dominion, which could be made more valuable in the hands of such a powerful organization as the Northern Pacific. There is therefore every reason to believe that some of the rumors of railway deals now flying around are not without foundation, and that some arrangement between either the M. & N. W. or the N. W. Central and the N. P. & M., will soon be authoritatively announced.

In by-gone days Manitobans were wont to look upon railway deal rumors as only rumors of more monopoly ties being formed, but these days are gone, and a combination such as we have outlined would actually be a benefit to the whole Northwest. A second road constructed to the Pacific coast during the next few years, opening up the rich valley of the North Saskatchewan in its way, would be a big impetus to Northwestern progress, and it is not at all unlikely, that the commencement of this undertaking is close at hand.

Even the rumored combination of the C. P. R. and St. P. M. & M. Companies has now no terrors for Manitobans. It may, and doubtless will reduce the competitors for this traffic to two, but it will bring two powerful contending powers face to face to study our wants in that respect, and it is such competition, no matter how amicably it may be carried on, which is most effectual in cheapening as well as extending transportation facilities.

THE PEDDLERS' LICENSE.

The move of the retail grocers' association in petitioning the city council to increase the city license collected from peddlers is one which has received varied criticism from citizens of all classes, and

there can be no doubt but the majority of citizens favor an increase, although there are also quite a few, who like Mayor Ryan are more anxious about poor peddlers making a living, than they are about protecting the tax-paying traders of the city. It may be safely inferred, therefore, that a majority of our citizens believe, that such traders should be protected in their efforts to make business pay, whether the "poor peddler" makes a living at his itinerant trading, or has to apply himself to hired labor to get one. Whether the increased license should or should not be enforced, is a question to be decided not upon any grounds of philanthropy, but purely upon the relative value as citizens of the regular merchant or his moving opponent, the peddler. The philanthropic considerations of our city fathers should be confined pretty much within the scope of the health and relief committee, and should not upon any consideration be allowed to mix with a purely business question.

The city council need have no hesitation in deciding as to which class of traders demands their consideration. The merchant is a necessity to make a city, while a peddler in a city is an unnecessary individual altogether, for whose total loss no one would feel sorry, and many would be glad. He peddles nothing which cannot be had from the regular merchant in a city like Winnipeg, while he is, as a rule, an irresponsible individual, often requiring watching in his transactions, instead of being extended civic philanthropy. His persistent ringing of door bells at the front doors of residences, (for he is as a rule too cheeky, to push the sale of his wares through the domestics in the rear) is one of the worst annoyances to which families are subjected. In short our city council upon this little matter have to decide as to whether or not the claims of a useful and heavy tax-paying class of citizens shall be conceded, even if a class who are altogether unnecessary and often a nuisance, have to suffer.

It is a pity this system of taxing heavily peddlers was not applied to others than those who sell to families. There is a class of wholesale peddlers, who do not even reside in the city, who dump perishable goods in car lots here, and peddle them around to our merchants, getting out of the city as soon as they dispose of their consignment. Winnipeg in the winter time is a very handy market to send into, in a frozen state, goods, that would perish elsewhere, and these flying dealers who bring such, take care to keep clear of either assessor or tax collector. A license of \$500 would be a proper dose for such people.

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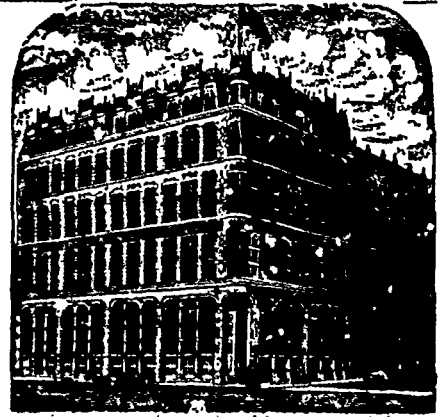
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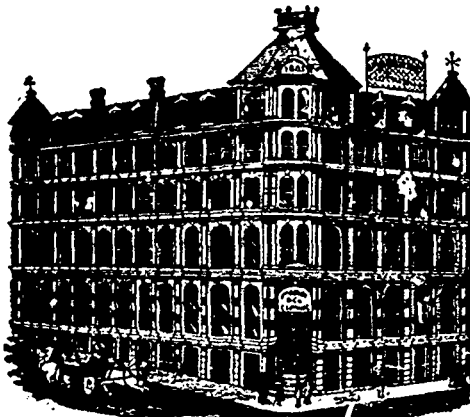
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WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

The report from the banks this week is one of quietness. The volume of commercial paper going to discount is very slender indeed, and there is no other field open at present for the employment of funds. As a result there is somewhat of a monetary plethora existing, which will not be materially relieved before the next crop comes to market, although there may, and will no doubt be, little hectic spurts at times during the interval. Payments of maturing obligations show no irregularities, but it is not conceded on the part of wholesale merchants, that there is considerable past renewing and other patching up being done. There is not the slightest influence at work in the direction of a change of discount rates, which still range from 7 to 8 per cent. In real estate mortgage loans there is actually nothing doing, and interest payments are very slow in coming in. The most encouraging reports are of sales of lands held by loan companies, and these are becoming quite numerous of late. The interest rate on farm loans is nominal at 8 per cent.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

In almost every branch of the wholesale trade of this city a quiet feeling is reported, and in some lines complaints are heard. Even in lines of every day consumption, the movement of goods is down to calls for the most immediate wants, and there is no evidence of a desire to stock up in any of these lines. In several lines of seasonable goods the report shows an aggregate of business done to date somewhat below the aggregate at this time last year, although in every district in the country the feeling was decidedly more hopeful than it was a year ago. Near the close of the week an improvement began to show up, which, according to advices of travellers now out, was due to the recent liberal rainfall, and it is very probable that this improvement will be more marked during the present week, or as soon as time sufficient elapses for reports to arrive from all points. It is generally expected that the season although slow in starting, will turn out better than last year. In lines dependent upon contracting and building there is as yet no great stir, and some houses of that class complain of dullness. Altogether sales are slow in general, and cash returns have not been coming in with the regularity that could be wished.

DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING.

Some houses report a fair sorting trade doing, while others say things are rather quiet. Up to the close of the week sales from fall samples were light, but near the close an improvement was noticeable, and travellers now out report the prospect of improvement all around, now that rain has fallen heavily all over the country. Cash returns are reported slow and are not expected to improve much, until barley seeding and root planting is over, and produce begin to come freely to market.

FRUITS—GREEN.

A fairly active business has been done during the week. There is still no prospect of any scarcity of apples, and prices hold steady. Oranges and lemons are both tending upwards, especially the latter, which show a sharp advance since last week. Quotations are:—Ap-

ples, \$3.00 to \$1.00, for good stock; damaged, \$1 00 to \$1.50. Messina oranges, \$4.00 to \$4.50 per box; Messina lemons \$6.00 to \$8.25 per box; Riverside seedless oranges, \$4.00 to \$5.50 per box; California Washington Naval oranges, \$6.00 per box. Bananas, \$3.00 to \$4.50 per bunch. Cranberries, \$7.00 to \$8.00 per barrel for sound fresh fruit. Pio plant, or 8c per lb. Southern red onions, \$1 25 per crate of 50 lbs.: Spanish onions, \$1.50 per crate of about 50 pounds. Cider, rectified, in barrels, 35c per gallon. New maple sugar, cakes, 13 to 14c per lb. Maple syrup, in tins or bulk, \$1.25 per gallon, with some of indifferent quality offered as low as \$1 per gallon.

GROCERIES.

The movement in this branch has been quiet and steady, the demands being in almost every instance light and only for immediate wants. The sugar boom has subsided a little, but prices are still away up, and there is no probability of any material drop in the near future. Prices of goods are as follows: Sugars, yellows, 8 to 8½c; granulated, 9½ to 10c; lumps, 10½ to 10¾c. Coffees—Rio, from 22 to 25c; Java, 25 to 30c; Old Government 33 to 34c; Mochas, 32 to 35c. Teas, Japan 23 to 46c; Congous, 22 to 60c; Indian teas, 35 to 60c; young hyson, 28 to 50c. T. and B. tobacco, 50c per pound; P. of W., butts 47c; P. of W. caddies, 47½c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c; Briar, 7s, 53c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d. thick Solage, 6s, 48c; Brunetto Solage, 12s, 48c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40; Terrier, \$30 per 1000.

HARDWARE AND METALS.

There are complaints heard of a falling off in the demand for heavies, the week being a quieter one than its predecessor. In shelf and general goods there has been a fair line of sales, but cash returns all round are reported rather slow. Prices of goods are steady, quotations being: Cut nails, 10d and larger, \$3.50 to \$3.60; I. C. tin plates, \$5.75 to \$6.25; I. C. tin plates double, \$11.00 to \$11.50; Canada plates, \$3.60 to \$3.75; sheet iron, \$3.75 to \$5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, 25 to 40 per cent, according to size, off list prices; ingot tin, 30 to 32½c per lb., bar iron, \$3.00 to \$3.25 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6½ to 6¾; per lb.; tarred felt, \$2.50 to \$2.60 per 100 lbs. barbed wire, 6½ to 7c

HIDES AND TALLOW.

There is no new feature to note. Outside markets are without life, and matters are quiet and steady here. Prices are steady as follows: Winnipeg inspected, No. 1, 3½c; No. 2, 2½c; No. 3, 2c. per pound. Calf, 7 to 13 pound skins are quoted at 4 to 5c, Deacon skins, 10 to 20c each, the lower price for cut skins. Sheepskins 25 to 55c each as to quality, for old. New, lately killed skins, with long wool are worth 75 to 80c, but few of this sort offering. Sheared skins, 5 to 10c each. Lambskins, 15c each. Tallow quoted: rough, 2½ to 3c rendered 5c.

The scarcity of water in Morden and vicinity is now about solved, and in future an adequate supply will be obtainable from several flowing wells bored to a depth of 150 feet.

GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

WHEAT

The week just passed has been one of nervousness and excitement in leading grain markets, and especially in Chicago. The feeling of depression of the week previous was succeeded by a rebound, and prices have been going steadily upward. Duluth has also been on the upward turn though not in such a marked degree, while European markets generally have been firmer all round. In this city and over the whole province there has been a deadlock all week. Holders have not the slightest idea of letting go at anything like the prices offered by eastern buyers, and the buyers seem equally determined. Eastern millers cannot pay the prices asked, and compete with the flour of Minneapolis millers laid down in their own territory, and they are feeling badly the want of Manitoba wheat for their high grades of flour. On the other hand Manitoba grain holders cannot sell without coming out losers, unless at a considerable advance upon present offers. It remains therefore for eastern millers to decide whether to buy and produce at a loss, or shut down altogether. Under such a strained state of affairs there has hardly been a transaction in wheat on the Winnipeg Exchange during the whole week, and there is not much hope of any going through soon. The price of wheat no dealer will attempt to guess at, and it is the most puzzling conundrum of the day. When the tug of war between buyers and holders will come to an end it is impossible to say just at present. Last week holders drew great encouragement from the tone of eastern markets, although the previous week almost squeezed the courage out of them. What this week will develop remains to be seen. In the meantime the market is locked up in the most effectual manner.

FLOUR.

Eastern markets still hold down to figures, that put a check on shipments there, although there was a much improved feeling there towards the close of last week. The local market is rather quiet, and prices are unchanged, quotations being:—Patents, \$2.90; strong bakers, \$2.70; XXXX, \$2.00; second bakers, \$2.45 to \$2.55; superfine, \$1.40; middlings, \$2.90; Graham flour, \$2.70.

MILLSTUFFS

The feeling is easier a little, although both the eastern and home demands are quite active. Bran ranged from \$9 to \$10 a ton, and shorts from \$11 to \$12.

OATS

At outside points purchases have been made at 23 and 24c, and in the city feed lots on track have been offered at 23c, although a good mill'ng lot will still bring 30c. The feeling however is much easier and several dealers are not buying.

OAT AND CORNMEAL, ETC.

Oatmeal is very slow in sale at present, and millers are a little depressed. Prices hold unchanged, quotations being as follows:—\$2.60 for standard oatmeal and 2.75 for granulated per hundred. Rolled oats, 80 pound sacks, \$3. Cornmeal is held at \$1.75 per hundred. Pot barley is held at \$2.75, and pearl barley at \$3.25 per sack.

BUTTER.

This spring the city is almost clear of the load of medium and poor butter with which it

was stuffed for three preceding springs, and there is very little butter of any description to be had, the stock in the city at the close of the week being under five tons, and probably not much over half of that. Of course a sudden end will come to this scarcity as soon as seeding is over, and farmers begin to come to town. Last week as high as 21c was offered for good new butter, and not enough to fill immediate local wants could be had at that figure.

CHEESE.

Very little business has been done, and sales are reported at 10 to 10½c with a weakening feeling.

EGGS.

The local demand is steady and receipts have been too light to allow of any exporting, in fact they have fallen off during the week, and as a natural consequence prices in the city have been firmer. Case lots sold from 12½ to 13c, but it is not likely these prices will stand after roads dry up a little and farmers begin to come to town.

LARD.

The home product still holds steady at \$2.40 for 20 lb. pails, while imported ranges from 5 to 10c less in similar packages.

CURED MEATS.

The feeling is easier, and some lines have dropped a fraction, but no material change has taken place. Mess pork sold in barrel lots at \$20. Dry salt bacon was quoted at 10½ with 10c for heavy lots. Rolls 12 to 12½c; breakfast bacon 13½ to 14c; smoked hams 14c; pork sausage 9c; Bologna 8c.

DRESSED MEATS.

Very little change has taken place, only dressed hogs are a little easier, as packers are not buying. Beef carcasses range from 6 to 7c; dressed hogs 8 to 8½c; veal 8 to 9c; mutton 12c.

LIVE STOCK.

There is no change to report. Beef cattle are still plentiful and can be had at 3 to 3½c. Hogs are held at 5½c, but are not so much in demand of late.

C. P. R. Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the C. P. R. was held at the head offices of the company in Montreal on Wednesday last, when the annual statement of the company was presented by President W. C. Van Horne, the details of which were of a very encouraging character. The following is a summary of the receipts and expenditures of the year:

The gross earnings for the year were \$13,195,535.69, the working expenses were \$9,324,760.68, and the net earnings were \$3,870,774.92. Deducting the fixed charges accruing during the year, \$3,541,351.00, the surplus was \$326,423.92.

A comparison of the figures of the past three years is as follows:

	1886.	1887.	1888.
Total	\$10,681,527.59	\$11,606,412.50	\$13,195,535.69
Exp's	6,373,317.65	5,102,291.64	9,324,760.68
Net earn.	4,308,209.94	6,504,120.86	3,870,774.92

One of the principal suggestions of the report is the early construction of a line from Brandon in a southwesterly direction to the Souris coal fields.

The following directors were elected:—W. C. Van Horne, Montreal; Sir George Stephen, Bart., Montreal; Sir Donald A. Smith, K.C. M.G., M.P., Montreal; Richard B. Angus, Montreal; Edmund B. Osler, Toronto; Sandford Fleming, C. E., C. M. G., Ottawa; Hon. J. C. Abbott, senator, Montreal; Geo. A. Kirkpatrick, M. P., Kingston; E. N. Martenson, Amsterdam and New York; Hon. W. L. Scott,

Erie, Pa.; Geo. E. Harris, Boston; Richard J. Cross, New York; Wilmot D. Matthews, Toronto; Hon. Donald McInnis, senator, Hamilton; Thomas Skinner, London. At a meeting of the new board, Wm. C. Van Horne was re-elected president of the new company, and the following were appointed executive committee: W. C. Van Horne, Sir George Stephen, Bart., S. Donald A. Smith, K. C. M. G., M. P., R. B. Angus.

An Election.

On Wednesday last Col. D. H. McMillan, M. P. P., for Centre Winnipeg, was sworn in as Provincial Treasurer, to succeed Hon. L. M. Jones, who has resigned, and the writ for an election has been issued fixing the nomination for the 18th inst. and polling day for the 24th.

It is very probable that the Conservatives of the city would have allowed the Colonel to be elected by acclamation; but for the past year there has been forming around the *Free Press* office and the Hudson's Bay railway project a sort of cave of Adullam, made up of former supporters of the Government. These Adullamites have determined to make opposition by some means, and the Colonel begins to learn the truth of the quotation "A man's foes shall be they of his own household." During the week there has been a scare up for an opposition candidate. Mayor Ryan was approached but declined, and Mr. Luxton was suggested, but did not care to face the music. No prominent Conservative felt inclined to be made an Adullamite cat's paw, but Mr. W. F. Henderson, a vice president of the Liberal Association, was at last induced to step into the field, and the fight has now fairly begun.

In Mr. Henderson Colonel McMillan has an opponent not to be numbered among the political hacks usually trotted out to fight a losing battle. He is a business man of good ability and with an unimpeachable commercial record, and the only wonder is how a man of his business acumen could be persuaded to link himself in a political fight with the unscrupulous gang, who have pushed him forward. That Mr. Henderson will make a good run for Centre Winnipeg is beyond doubt, and he would make a much better if he was running on his own responsibility, without the Adullamite machine behind him, for really he is to be found in better company.

Theft and Burglary Insurance.

We recently quoted an American proposal for the establishment of insurance against theft and burglary, and we are now able to announce that, not in consequence of but in anticipation of the suggestion of our American friends, a Scottish office has been organized to undertake this new branch of insurance. The project has been maturing for some time, and has now taken shape in the issue of the provisional prospectus of the Scottish General Guarantee and Accident Insurance Company limited. While this company will, as its name indicates, take up accident insurance as well as the existing fidelity guarantee system, its feature will be a series of tables for insuring (1) against burglary alone, and (2) against theft and burglary. In the one case, the felonious removal of property

by forcible entry will be made good; while in a policy covering theft and burglary losses by either means will be recompensed, the liability of the company from theft during business hours being, however, dependent upon the conviction of the thief. In each case the risks are divided into three categories, according to the value of the goods held by the insurer, the lowest rate, 1s. 6d. per cent., covering burglary risks in ordinary shops, and the highest, 4s. 6d. per cent., being charged for theft and burglary risks on banks, jewellers, pawnbrokers, railway stations, and such places where plunder of an easily disposable kind is exposed to risk. The rates now given are, we presume, merely tentative, the prospectus not being yet offered to the public; but they indicate the principle on which this novel branch of insurance will be conducted. The new company has been organized in Glasgow, and its secretary is Mr. W. S. Allan.—*Scottish Economist.*

Fur Trade Notes

At C. M. Lampson & Co's June fur sales in London, which take place from the 24th to the 27th of June, otter, white and red fox, bear, sable, wolf, lynx, mink, opossum, raccoon and skunk will be offered, also Australian furs.

The *New York Fur Trade Review* says:—Dame Fashion ordains that mink shall be a great leader, as it should be, because it is an out and out American fur without a rival of equal general merits. Many truly handsome articles will be shown in mink, and this fine, durable and intrinsically valuable fur will long maintain a commanding position.

"A person who has tramped about in the woods for thirty years, as I have, may learn a great many curious things if he keeps his eyes open," said George Washington Bear, of Nebo, Pa., who has trapped and hunted almost the entire length of the Blue Mountains ever since he was a boy. "And he won't find all the curious things in the woods," continued the old hunter. "The fields and the swamps show up their share. Now, who ever read in any book that the mink, which is popularly supposed to be an animal that gets its living entirely from the water, will sit all night, if necessary, in the nest of the grey rabbit and nab unsuspecting bunny when he comes hopping home? And the nest of the rabbit may be miles from any stream at that. I know the mink will do this, for I have shot scores of them as they crouched beneath a bush or a high tuft of weeds where some rabbit had his cosy form. The skunk will do the same thing and so will the weasel."—*Fur Trade Review.*

The arrangements for the mill at Beisesevain are now completed, and work will commence forthwith.

Orville E. Collins, of the Union Credit and Protective Association, returned last week from a trip to the Pacific coast. He reports a very successful trip.

Among the eastern travelling representatives seen around the city of Winnipeg last week, was Mr. Silas Huxley, of Lightbound, Ralston & Co., of Montreal. Mr. Huxley is one of the drummers of ante-boom days, and still holds his footing in the Northwest.

Withdrawn.

Elsewhere in these columns will be found the announcement that Mr. W. F. Henderson had stepped into the field to contest Centre Winnipeg with Colonel McMillan, but on Saturday it was announced in the *Free Press*, that Mr. Henderson had reconsidered the matter and retired from the contest. His wise decision on his part is, no doubt, based upon the advice of many of his best and truest friends, who would like to have supported him, but could not conscientiously do so in the present contest. By this action Mr. Henderson not only withdraws from a mistaken step, but founds a claim for support, if he desires it, at some future time, when he can appeal to the electors upon his own claims, and not be loaded by a connection with a discontented clique, whose only aim in bringing him out as a candidate, was to satisfy their own spleeny feelings. Colonel McMillan is now in the field unopposed, and it will be wise for his discontented opponents to leave him there. The electors of Centre Winnipeg know too well the value of having a man like him, to represent them both in the Legislature and Cabinet, and will bury out of sight any one who oppose him, merely to satisfy the spleen of some disappointed people.

BRANDON wants application for a town constable.

GARSDALE & SHARP, painters, Brandon, have dissolved partnership. Sharp will open up on his own account.

MATHER, of Portage la Prairie, is opening a tailor shop at Pilot Mound.

C. F. FORRESTER, late of Winnipeg, has opened a watch and jewelry business at Morden.

THE Japanese Government have appointed a resident representative in Vancouver who will arrive about Aug. 16th from that country.

THE Provincial Government is arranging a network of correspondents to assist in the formation of statistics as to crops, etc., throughout Manitoba.

THE finance committee will recommend the city council to exempt from taxation M. Bull & Co. for ten years, on their erecting soap works in Winnipeg.

OPPOSITION to the petition of the Grocers' Association to the city council to impose a tax on peddlers, and on the combine generally is taking head, and at a meeting held for the purpose of organization last Friday evening, delegates were appointed to wait on the council to protest against the grocers' petition.

PRAIRIE fires were prevalent over the whole country during the latter part of last week, and if reports were available the damage would be in the neighborhood of \$25,000 at a low estimate. The warnings that are received each year seem to be disregarded and the work of a few hours, left too late, has resulted in great loss and crippled many a farmer, both in former and this season. The heavy rains have now about destroyed the last vestige of fire on the plains.

From all parts of the country reports are

general as to the fine appearance of the crops. The rain being so abundant and warm has placed the leading cereal in a more advanced condition than before in the history of the country, and the almost double increase of acreage sown this season augurs well for the future. The large number of settlers that have and are arriving each week, while filling up a large extent of country, have, on the whole, been well scattered so that their presence is not and will not be felt to any considerable extent until the fall. Land values are firming up under the excellent order of things, and in some instances companies are advancing the price of their lands. We look for a steady and wonderful progress with the farming community this year.

F. ZIMM, blacksmith, Rapid City, advertises his business for sale.

Seal Prices.

At the London March sales the following prices in shillings were realized for Copper Island seals:

Middlings and smalls, 69; smalls, 61; large pups, 56; middling pups, 50; small pups, 46, and extra small pups, 45 shillings.

Cape Horn seals—Middlings and smalls, 49; smalls, 44; large pups, 41½; middling pups, 40½; small pups, 34; extra small pups, 25, and wigs, 44 shillings.

Cape of Good Hope seals—Middlings and smalls, 34; large pups, 32; middling pups, 29; small pups, 23, and wigs, 44 shillings.—*New York Fur Trade Review.*

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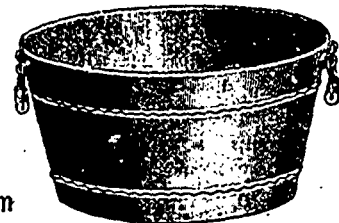
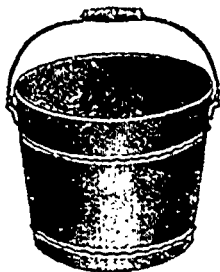
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Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

On Monday, the market opened with a speculative trading, the basis of which was Northwest weather forecasts. Scarcity of rain in the wheat-growing districts, caused operators to not be over anxious in selling, and buying was if anything in the excess, which established a higher range of figures, and at the close stood as follows.

	May.	June.	July.	Aug.
Wheat.....	82½	82½	78½	77½
Corn.....	34½	34½	34½	35½
Oats.....	—	—	—	—
Pork.....	11.50-5	11.00	11.70	11.80
Lard.....	6.77½-80	6.80	6.90	6.95
Short Ribs..	—	—	—	—

Business on change on Tuesday was light and of no special interest, the feeling being about as yesterday. The opening was ½c lower than Monday and with various fluctuations during the day fell fractionally, the close being ½c lower than yesterday. Closing prices were as follows:

	May.	June.	July.	Aug.
Wheat.....	83	82½	78½	77
Corn.....	34½	34½	35½	36
Oats.....	—	—	—	—
Pork.....	11.75-80	11.80	11.90	12.00
Lard.....	6.82½-85	6.90	6.95	7.00
Short Ribs..	—	—	—	—

Wednesday developed a brisker movement in the wheat market, shorts being anxious to cover and May advanced 3½c but afterwards settled down to 1½c higher than the close of yesterday. Closing prices were:

	May.	June.	July.	Aug.
Wheat.....	83½	83½	79½	77½
Corn.....	35½	35½	36	36½
Oats.....	2½	2½	2½	—
Pork.....	12.05	12.05	12.15	12.20
Lard.....	6.92½	6.95	7.00	7.05
Short Ribs..	—	—	—	—

The higher range of prices inaugurated yesterday was but partially sustained Thursday, although considerable trading was done and a strong feeling developed. At the close prices were as follows:

	May.	June.	July.	Aug.
Wheat.....	85½	84	80½	78½
Corn.....	36½	35	35½	36½
Oats.....	—	—	—	—
Pork.....	12.00	12.05	12.15	12.22½
Lard.....	6.92½-95	6.95	7.00	7.05
Short Ribs..	—	—	—	—

On Friday the unsettled feeling in wheat was more prominent than for some time and a large amount of speculative business was put through. Weather reports from the northwestern states are still an important factor, the severe drought being mitigated but partially with recent rains. Prices were moved up and down quite freely and finally closed at an advance of 1c on yesterday's figures. Produce was also on the up turn. Closing prices were as follows:

	May.	June.	July.	Aug.
Wheat.....	85½-6½	84½	80½	78½
Corn.....	35½	35½	35½	36½
Oats.....	—	—	—	—
Pork.....	12.10-45	12.17½	12.27½	12.32½
Lard.....	6.92½-5	6.95	7.00	7.05
Short Ribs..	—	—	—	—

Duluth Wheat Market.

Closing prices for each day of the week were as follows:

	Cash.	May	June.	July.
Monday.....	—	98	96	96
Tuesday.....	—	98	96	96
Wednesday.....	—	98	98	98
Thursday.....	—	1.01	1.00	1.00
Friday.....	—	1.01	1.00	1.00

Minneapolis Markets.

Prices closed Wednesday, May 5th, as follows:

	Cash.	July.	On track
No. 1 hard.....	90-98	98	97½
No. 1 northern.....	89-90	80½	90½
No. 2 ".....	78-79	78	79½

Flour—Quotations at the mills for car or round lots are: Patents, \$5.10 to \$5.30; straights, \$4.70 to \$4.90; first bakers', \$3.35 to \$3.75; best low grades, \$1.45 to \$1.80 in bags; red dog, \$1.30 to \$1.50 in bags.

Tons of Fish.

Seldom, if ever, has the fish market of Westminster been so liberally supplied with fish as it was to-day. Salmon were received in very large numbers, no boats bringing in less than 20 while many brought in from 25 to 30 fish. Among the salmon were many small ones, which the fishermen attribute to the work of the hatchery, as never before in the history of the Fraser river have small spring salmon been so plentiful as they are this year. Oolachan was so plentiful last night that a couple of hauls satisfied the fishermen, as the market is glutted and the run is so far advanced that the fish have passed their best stage and are beginning to lose in quality and flavor. Sturgeon headed the list, some six tons having reached the market this morning. These fish were of all sizes and weights, from 25 lbs. to 700 lbs. each. The supply being far in excess of the demand the fish were offered at very low prices. The 700 lb. monster was put for sale at \$1.50 one-fifth of a cent per pound—with no takers. Some very large shipments of salmon were made to Montreal and other eastern points. *Columbian*, Westminster, B. C., April 29.

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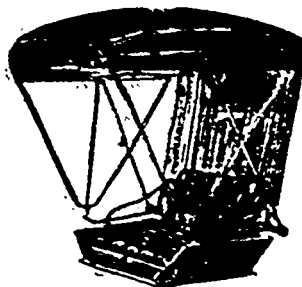
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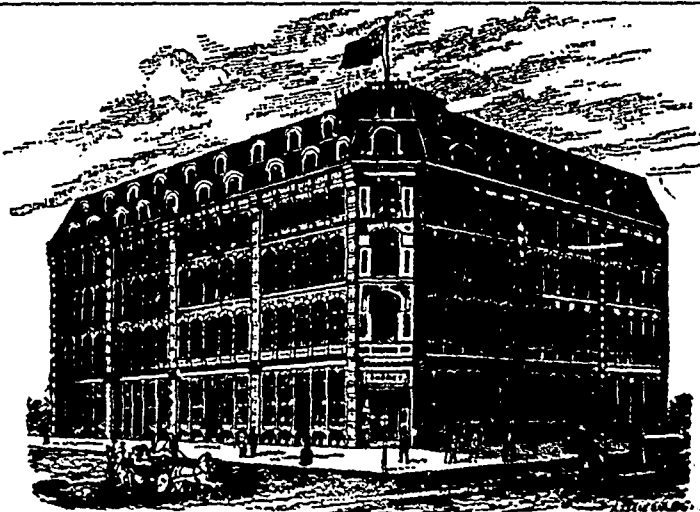
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Farewell Testimonial.

On Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock a party consisting of friends of Mr. Miller, manager of the Merchants' Bank here, met in a parlor of the Clarendon Hotel and presented him with a valuable gold watch and chain, and a handsome silver tea set, accompanied by an illuminated address. Mr. E. L. Drowry, who made the presentation, read the following address and supplemented it with some well chosen remarks:

THE ADDRESS.

To Daniel Miller, Esq., Manager Merchants Bank of Canada, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

DEAR SIR,—At this important point in your life when the call of business and duty is about to remove you permanently from the commercial metropolis of the prairie province to that of Ontario, a much greater number than you are probably aware of, of the business men and citizens generally of Winnipeg desire to express to you their high appreciation of you as a business man, who has filled a prominent and trying position in the financial structure of our city for over seven years, and at the same time their respect and esteem as a citizen and friend. Very frequently feelings of genuine pleasure are associated with those of regret, and to this seeming anomaly our feelings are at present subject. No congratulations can be more hearty than are ours to you upon your promotion to one of the highest and most responsible positions in the service of the great financial corporation with which you are connected, and whose business affairs in this city you have managed with such marked ability.

That your administration of the affairs of the bank here has been most satisfactory to its customers and clients is evidenced by the very general regret at your departure. That it has been equally satisfactory to that institution is shown in the most convincing manner by your promotion to a position of still greater trust and responsibility.

If our congratulations on your promotion are hearty, our regrets at your departure are none the less sincere, and we take this simple and unostentatious manner of conveying to you our respect, our esteem and our regrets, and to them we add our heartfelt wishes for your prosperity and happiness in your new and enlarged sphere of usefulness.

After Mr. Drowry's remarks, Mr. Miller made the following reply:

MR. DREWRY AND GENTLEMEN:

You have invited me to meet you this afternoon in order to present me with a parting address and with other very handsome and substantial tokens of your good will. I can assure you that I did not expect until quite recently that you would have marked me out to be the recipient of such a magnificent testimonial. I came to our good city of Winnipeg seven and a half years ago to assist my friend Mr. Duncau MacArthur in the management of the branch of our bank which he had established nine years previously, and on that gentleman's retirement at the close of 1882, I was appointed to succeed him as manager. I knew I had no easy task before me, in this succession. Mr. MacArthur had grown up with the new province, had made himself deservedly popular as manager of the bank and had built a very large business for it. I was without any very great amount of actual experience of bank management in a large city, and the conditions then existing were such as to demand an amount of judgment and other qualities the bare consideration of which was quite enough to intimidate a much more experienced and able man than myself. Then, as you all know, came times of difficulty and trouble in the country to which on this pleasant occasion I will only refer by giving my hearty thanks to many of you for the reasonable view which you took of things and for the candor and good sense with which you treated the bank and myself and supported me on all occasions.

Later came a more settled state of things, when we were all filled with hope, a hope which has gone on increasing, perhaps with occasional ebbs and flows, but which is to my mind certain to blossom out into solid and secure prosperity for Manitoba as the sun is to rise to-morrow morning. I am only sorrow that I shall not be here to see it. I have now been directed to assume other responsibilities. Many times during the past three or four weeks I have been congratulated upon the change, and every time I have replied to such kind greetings I have done so with very mixed feelings. Doubtless there may be some advantages and comforts to be had in the lower provinces which at present are hardly obtainable here, but I regret sincerely the parting with a great many kind friends like yourselves, and can assure you that I shall always cherish the warmest feelings for Manitoba and Manitobans, and especially let me say for Winnipeg and Winnipeggers. The very beautiful present which you have made me will be treasured up as pleasant souvenirs of my residence in the province by myself and family, I hope for generations to come.

It is no small satisfaction to me to leave the management of the bank in the hands of one who is well known to all of you, one who is a Manitoban in heart and in interest, and who is a thorough banker.

There is a natural feeling of satisfaction also in my mind of your kind references to the bank at large. It was the pioneer bank of the province, and its very able and sagacious general manager has always shown the greatest possible faith in the future of Manitoba and interest in its welfare and progress.

In conclusion permit me to thank you with all my heart for this evidence of your good will, which is more precious to me, after all, than the most costly gift you could devise.

Before breaking up the company accepted Mr. Miller's invitation to partake of some refreshments.

Dairy Matters.

There is a probability, says the *Tribune*, of a cheese factory being erected in Minnedosa, Man., this summer. Jas. Leach makes an advantageous offer which it is hoped some enterprising man will accept.

Robinson at the old Chipman Ranch, near Calgary, Alberta, has shown his confidence in the future of this prospective Alberta industry, says the *Calgary Herald*, by going to the expense of establishing a well equipped cheese factory. It is to be hoped that the farmers will do all in their power to assist in making this venture the complete success it deserves.

Grain and Milling.

A flour mill is about to be erected at Austin, Man.

The flour mill at Gladstone, Man., is offered for sale.

The Assiniboine roller mills, Portage la Prairie, Man., have been closed down for repairs.

Jas. Pyc, the well known flour mill builder, of Minneapolis, was in Manitoba last week. He visited Pilot Mound while here, on business in connection with the proposed new mill at that place.

THE new postal regulations went into effect in Winnipeg on Wednesday last, the change being:—On drop letter (or city circulation) 2c per oz.; the 3 oz letter rate being extended to cover 1 oz, and registration fee for all Canadian and American postage, 5c.

London Fur Sales.

Report of the Hudson's Bay Co.'s sale, London, March 25-28, 1889. Issued by P. R. Poland & Son, London.

This sale, like those in January, was characterized by the heavy advance in values of most articles, and by the large attendance of buyers, who, with the exception of the English trade, showed a like anxiety to secure stocks in spite of the high prices; Germany and Russia were well represented, also French buyers in fair numbers, whilst many American and Canadian purchasers were also present.

The MKR mark of beaver and musquash too late for the January sale, were now offered, with a few more YF and NW beaver, but almost all other articles were less in quantity than last year, lynx and mink only half figures.

The rise in prices of articles for the Russian market was greatly assisted by the considerably improved state of the Rouble Exchange.

Otter, 8,748 (against 11,000 last year). Advanced 25 to 30 per cent., being mostly bought for American and Canadian orders; a small proportion for England and Germany, and a few for France.

Fisher, 5,387. Sold 75 to 80 per cent. dearer. Purchased almost wholly by Russian buyers; a few for the German market.

Silver fox, 630. Increased 40 to 50 per cent. in value; also taken nearly all for Russia; a small quantity for France and America. This was a poorer collection than usual.

Cross fox, 2,899. Rose 40 per cent on last March figures, and were again secured mostly for the Russian market.

Blue fox, 77. Too small a quantity for remark.

Red fox, 14,238. Less than last year by 3,000. Firsts, with color, brought 50 per cent. dearer; pale, 25 per cent.; seconds and thirds, 10 to 15 per cent. Bought by German and Russian houses; some few for French account.

White fox, 9353 (also 3,000 less than last year). Sold at an advance of 30 to 40 per cent. for first, and 80 per cent. for seconds. The bulk was taken for Leipzig, some for France and Greece, very few for America.

Lynx, 33,706. Showed an advance of 100 per cent. on last March figures, and thirds even more. This reduced quantity was pretty well divided between American and German buyers, a small amount being taken for France, but very few for England.

Skunk, 11,297. Realized 20 per cent. higher for the English and French trades.

Wolf, 3,325. Were taken mostly for Canada and France, at about 10 to 15 per cent. higher figures; the few large selected sold very high.

Wolverin, 2008. Was the first article which showed a decline, which was to the extent of 8 to 10 per cent., for the French and English trade.

Musk ox, 505. Advanced 10 per cent., and was again secured exclusively for the Canadian trade.

Marten, 64,179 (and 8,000 less than last year's collection). Brought 60 per cent. advance on last March figures. The best were taken for America, a small amount for France, pale and seconds and thirds being bought principally for England.

Mink, 43,641. Rose to double figures, or 100 per cent. advance. A good many were purchased for America, some for Germany and very few for England, with here and there a few for Russia.

Beaver, 14,209. Remain at last January prices. The majority were bought for the French and German markets, only few for the English trade.

Musquash, 19,992. Also sold at last sale figures. Mostly taken by Germany.

Bear, black, 7,836. Firsts and thirds large, 15 to 30 per cent. dearer; seconds, 60 to 70 per cent.; yearlings and cubs, about 100 per cent. dearer.

Bear, brown, 1,068. Very best, 30 per cent. dearer; other sorts about the same.

Bear, grizzly, 185. Twenty-five per cent. dearer.

Nearly all bears were bought by the English trade, with the exception of the thirds and fourths, which mostly go to Germany; only a small proportion of good skins taken for the French and German markets.

Report of C. M. Lampson & Co's Fur Sale, London, March 25 to April 5. Issued by P. R. Poland & Son, London.

The same excitement which showed itself at the Hudson's Bay Co's auction continued to this large sale, and the eagerness to purchase was in no way abated, notwithstanding the large increase in the collections of almost all articles except sea otter and mink. Raccoon, musquash and otter stood at double quantities to those of last March sales, red fox and skunk at half as much again as before, and though, by the large offering, the latter article was expected to drop in price, it maintained its position to the last.

Cross fox, 3,624. Was bought at an advance of 40 to 50 per cent. on last March figures, for the Russian market.

Russian sable, 5,254. Seven hundred more than last year's collection, but included more of the Kamshatka description, and, therefore, not so good. Proved in very good demand, selling 100 per cent. dearer to America and Russia, with some few for England and France.

Silver fox, 1,167. Also a larger collection. Advanced 20 per cent. on 1888 prices, being, therefore, cheaper than in the Hudson's Bay Co's sale and taken for the Russian market; a small quantity for France. Towards the middle of the sale prices dropped.

Blue fox, 2,630. This increased quantity at first sold 10 per cent. cheaper than last March, but afterwards brought about the same high price as then. Purchased for Russia, and some for France.

Fisher, 3,387. An average collection. Bought at an advance of 50 to 60 per cent. on March, 1888, figures, by the Russian and German trades.

Marten, 7,663. Were a poor lot, with, however, one fine string of Labrador collection. Pale and common skins realized about the late January prices, but fine dark sorts considerably cheaper. A few of the finer sorts were secured for America; the pale and common remain in England.

Otter, 8,005 (double last March quantity). A nice show of goods. Pale descriptions rose

15 to 20 per cent. on last March rates, part being taken for America and some for England, whilst dark and fine sorts were purchased at 60 to 60 per cent. advance for Germany and Russia.

Sea otter, 3,133, and 257 cubs. Eight hundred less than last season, and on the whole a medium parcel. Best skins brought an advance of 50 per cent.; common, brown and yellow (of which there were a great many in the sale), about 60 to 70 per cent. With the exception of a few lots bought for American and French requirements, nearly the whole were secured for Russia.

Red fox, 67,322. An increase of 25,000 on last March, but nevertheless sustained a rise of 10 per cent. for firsts and seconds, and 25 per cent. for thirds and fourths, on those rates; the fur is 20 per cent. cheaper, however, than in last week's Hudson's Bay Company's sale. Many were taken for France, and some for Leipzig, Russia and Greece. A very good collection, comprising many Halifax and good Alaska foxes.

Lynx, 3,133, against 265 last March. Remains about the same as in January. Purchased for the American market; a few for German and English trades.

Beaver, 5,177. Also an increased quantity, but a mixed offering. Brought about last January rates. Firsts a little cheaper.

Skunk, 331,468, and 100,000 in excess of last March. A large and good collection of fresh parcels. This greatly increased quantity was at first cheaper than in January, but afterwards brought an advance of 5 per cent., being wanted for all parts of the continent.

Mink, 42,168, or 25,000 less than in March. A short collection from different districts, mostly from the South West. Are 20 per cent. higher than in January; the few Halifax skins reached double figures, being eagerly competed for, for American orders; other kinds taken principally for Germany, with the exception of a few for France. Three parcels of the article were withdrawn from the sale.

Raccoon, 334,787. Also double last March quantity; consisted of a good display of nice skins, with very few South West and low descriptions. An average decline of about 10 per cent. has to be quoted, though towards the middle of the sale, prices hardened somewhat for a time; the decrease in values was most marked in the best sorts and least in the common and fourths. Bought for Germany, France, Italy, very few for England and America.

Wolf, 4,904. An increased quantity, but chiefly common and small skins. Purchased generally by the English market at last March rates; the few fine sorts as usual were much appreciated.

Wolverine, 1,125 and 700 more than last year. Were taken eagerly at last March prices, entirely by the English trade.

Musquash, brown, 474,928. A double supply, consisting mostly of Minnesota and a few New Jersey skins. Sold at full January figures, common even dearer. Bought chiefly for the German market, some for France, and none for the Home trade. Three parcels were withdrawn. Black, 10,979. Also a double supply, declined 10 per cent.

American Opossum, 152,405. 10,000 more

than last March, but a poor lot. Sold at a decline of 10 per cent. on January rates, chiefly for England, some for France, Italy and Germany. Three parcels of this article also were withdrawn.

Grey Fox, 16,934. Fetched January figures, except Firsts, which are somewhat lower. A good collection, and taken principally by the English trade, a few for France.

Badger, 1,692; Cat, common, 1,893. Sold at about last Sale prices. Few fine rather dearer.

Cat, House, 8,891. 20 per cent. dearer, except Mottled, which are unadulterated. Nearly all taken for Germany.

Bear, black, 6,344. Are 70 per cent. dearer than last March, being bought chiefly by the Home trade. A fair lot with some nice skins.

Bear, brown, 812. A fair collection. Nearly all purchased at an advance of 30 per cent. for the English market.

Bear, grizzly, 1,216. Consisted principally of several good parcels of Kamshatka and Alaska sorts, which sold 100 per cent. dearer; other descriptions about 60 per cent. dearer, except inferior skins. Also taken mostly by the English trade, a few lots for France and the Continent.

White Fox, 110; Kitt Fox, 305; Hair Seal, Dry, 1,360; Bear, White, 15. Too small in quantity and too mixed for quotation.

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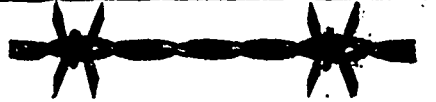
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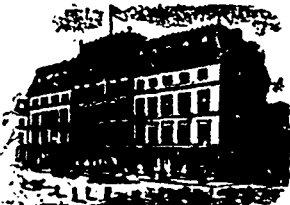
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 Mrs. Young, grocery, Godorich, has sold out.
 C. J. Morris, groceries, etc., Sarnia, has sold out.
 F. Krous, hotel, Listowel, is giving up business.
 Halsey Park, watches, Hamilton, has assigned.
 Campbell Bros., general store, Embro, have assigned.
 Saml. Wertelsky, general store, Perth, has assigned.
 A. W. Butler, undertaker, Thorold, has compromised.
 James O'Heir, gents' furnishings, Hamilton, has closed.
 R. W. Mead, saloon, Simcoe, removes to Port Dover.
 Jennings & Rowden, general store, Drayton, has sold out.
 Jno. Fairgrieve, wood and coal, London, has sold out.
 A. McMillan & Co., biscuits, St. Thomas, have assigned.
 Petty & McLeod, restaurant, etc., Wiarton, have dissolved.
 R. Chrysler & Bros., general store, Delhi, have dissolved.
 McElroy & Co., tailors, Toronto, have gone out of business.
 S. W. Day, groceries, Kingston, has called a meeting of creditors.
 The W. J. McGolpin Manufacturing Co., Toronto, have assigned.
 Alex. L. Ballentine, grocery and liquor, Hamilton, has sold out.
 Benj. Haslett, groceries and liquors, London, has gone out of business.
 Jas. Murray & Co., printers and publishers, Toronto, have dissolved.
 Christie, Kerr & Co., wholesale lumber, Toronto, have assigned.
 E. J. Thompson & Co., wholesale jewellers, Hamilton, have assigned.
 J. Leckie, ship chandler, Toronto, has been damaged by fire—insured.
 J. G. Anderson, general store, Flesherton, will sell stock by auction 9th inst.
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Willis & Co., pianos, Montreal—R. Willis is dead.
 R. Duckett & Co., dry goods, Sorel, have assigned.
 Chas. Guimond, trader, Cap St. Ignace, has assigned.
 V. Routhier, hotel, St. Anne de Bellevue, has sold out.
 Annie Gilchrist, general store, Vinton, has assigned.
 Laurier & Malo, builders, Montreal, have dissolved.
 Crevier & Co., confectionery, Montreal, have dissolved.
 G. T. Linde, dry goods, Montreal; demand of assignment.
 J. N. Renaud, general store, St. Janvicir, has assigned.
 Misses Fitzgerald, fancy goods, etc., Montreal, are retiring from business and advertise stock for sale by auction.

Arsene Gaudreault, trader, Les Ebcoulements, has assigned.
 Roussin & Masson, second hand store, Montreal, have dissolved.
 Martel Bros., painters and show cards, Montreal, have dissolved.
 Damien Cardinal, hotel, St. Stanislas de Kostka, has sold out.
 J. A. Tranquille, general store, St. Louis de Gouzagno, has assigned.
 Albert J. Evans, groceries and dry goods, Montreal, has assigned.
 Jodoin & Frere, farmers, St. Leonard de Pt. Maurice, have dissolved.
 J. L. Provan, groceries, Montreal, advertises stock for sale by auction.
 Harris & Coutu, real estate agents, etc., Montreal, have dissolved.
 J. Blackstock & Co., financial agents, Montreal—Richard James has ceased doing business under this style.
 G. W. Moss & Co. conn. threads, etc., Montreal, have dissolved—Geo. W. Moss continues under same style.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Geo. E. Davis, hotel, Amherst, is dead.
 Tenor & O'Brien, carpenters, Halifax, have dissolved.
 Board-Landing Wooden Manufacturing Co., Parrsboro, have sold out.
 D. H. Smith & Co., stationery and fancy goods, Truro, have dissolved.
 J. S. Maclean & Co., wholesale grocery, etc., Halifax. John S. Maclean is dead.

Lake Superior Region.

Wm. Rutledge, baker, Fort William, has sold out.
 All the staterooms in the C. P. R. Lake Superior steamers are this year lighted with electricity.
 Capt. Ward is building a 20 ton steam yacht at Fort William West, which will be completed within two or three weeks.
 John Foote and J. K. Ellis, dealers and exporters of fish, Fort William and Port Arthur, have formed a partnership.
 Sault Ste. Marie is to have a daily mail service on the C. P. R. to and from Sudbury, connecting with the through expresses on the main line east and west.
 The large saw and grist mill of Geo. Marks and Co., of Port Arthur, at Bruce Mines, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday evening last. The loss is said to be very heavy.

W. A. Hastings is removing from Port Arthur to Winnipeg. This is taken to mean that the proposed mill will not be erected this year, and probably not in Port Arthur in any event.

G. M. Francis, the assessor, says the Port Arthur *Sentinel*, has completed his work for the year. The result of Mr. Francis' work shows that the total assessment has been considerably increased over last year. When the roll was returned a year ago, it showed an assessment of \$1,593,424. The Court of Revision reduced this amount about \$20,000. This year the roll, as returned, shows an assessment of \$1,750,524, showing an increase of \$121,100 over last year. The roll is made up by resident assessment of \$737,200 for Ward 1, \$367,473 for Ward 2, \$386,978 for Ward 3, with non-resident assessment amounting in all to \$255,873. Last year

the personal assessment amounted to \$171,040 as compared with \$166,660 this season; the 1888 income assessment was \$36,500, for 1889, \$29,200; the realty for 1888 was \$1,900,884 and for 1889 \$1,560,664. By this it is seen that a decrease has taken place in both the income and personal assessment, this year the increase being entirely on the realty, which shows an advance over last year of \$169,680. The complete absurdity of the income assessment of the town as now made is shown by the foregoing figures. The roll shows that the town has 117 horses, 140 cows and 1,100 dogs. Of the correctness of the number of the first named it would be difficult to pass an opinion, but if one is to judge of the number of the two latter classes by what are seen on the streets, the roll is certainly sadly deficient. There must be a heap of dogs in town without owners, especially when the assessor is making his rounds.

British Columbia.

The Queen's Hotel, Westminster, was opened on 1st May.
 F. Zimmer, butcher, Victoria, advertises his business for sale.
 J. N. Carroll, of Rogers Pass, will open a general store at Beaver.
 Praslas & Cummings, hotelkeepers, Windermero, have dissolved partnership.
 Russell, McDonald & Co., general storekeepers, Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo, have also opened a branch at Comox.
 Westminster is to have improvements to its insane asylum costing \$40,000. Next year a new court house will be built, costing \$20,000.
 The City Tea Store, Vancouver, conducted by George Melliush, has been taken over by John J. Cowderoy, who will carry a stock of groceries.

The chief of police at Rat Portage is charged with stealing \$1,500 worth of furs from the Hudson's Bay Co.'s warehouse at that place. The furs were sent to Winnipeg and sold to F. Ossenbrugg, who again offered them to the Company here, when they were recognized as the missing goods. An amusing incident is that the chief was enlisted to endeavor to catch the thief. Finally suspicion pointed to the chief himself, who was arrested, but has since escaped. The furs taken were very valuable skins, consisting of silver and black fox, otter, and fisher.

The customs collections for the month of April at Winnipeg amounted to \$40,403 92.

INLAND REVENUE COLLECTIONS.

The Inland revenue receipts at Winnipeg for April, were as follows:—

Spirits.....	\$7,382 64
Tobacco.....	7,595 94
Cigars.....	411 00
Malt.....	1,947 70
Petroleum inspection.....	31 10
Seizures.....	530 00
Other receipts.....	100 00

Total..... \$17,898 39

GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK.

The transactions at the Dominion Government Savings Bank, Winnipeg, for the month ending 30th April, were as follows:—

Deposits.....	\$19,690 00
Withdrawals.....	\$34,460 46
Withdrawals in excess of deposits.....	\$14,770 46

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Daily except Sunday.	Express No. 61 Daily.	Central Standard Time.	Miles.	Express No. 54 Daily.	Daily Ex. Sun.
1.25 p.m.	1.40 p.m.	STATIONS.		9:10 a.m.	p.m.
1.10 p.m.	1.32 p.m.	Winnipeg Junction		9:20 a.m.	4:15
12.47 p.m.	1.19 p.m.	St. Norbert	9	9:37 a.m.	4:38
11.55 a.m.	12.47 p.m.	St. Agathe	24	10:19 a.m.	6:30
11.24 a.m.	12.27 p.m.	Silver Plains	33	10:45 a.m.	6:11
10.56 a.m.	12.03 p.m.	Morris	40	11:05 a.m.	6:43
10.17 a.m.	11.55 a.m.	St. Jean	47	11:23 a.m.	7:07
9.40 a.m.	11.33 a.m.	Lotellie	60	11:45 a.m.	7:45
8.55 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	W. West Lynn	65	12:10 p.m.	8:30
8.40 a.m.	10.50 a.m.	W. Pembina	60	12:35 p.m.	8:45
	6.25 a.m.	Winnipeg Junction		8:50 p.m.	
	4.40 p.m.	Minneapolis		6:35 a.m.	
	4.00 p.m.	St. Paul		7:05 a.m.	
	6.40 p.m.	Helena		4:00 p.m.	
	3.40 p.m.	Garrison		6:35 p.m.	
	1.05 a.m.	Spokane		9:55 a.m.	
	8.00 a.m.	Portland		7:00 a.m.	
	4.20 a.m.	Tacoma		6:45 a.m.	

P.M.	A.M.	STATIONS.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
2.30	8:00	St. Paul	7:30	3:00	7:35
10.30	9:30	Chicago	9:00	3:10	8:10
6.45	10.15	Detroit	7:15	10:45	6:10
	9.10	Toronto	9:10		9:55
	7.00	New York	7:30	8.50	8:50
	8.30	Boston	9:35	10.50	10:50
	9.00	Montreal	8:15		8:15

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Read Down.	STATIONS.	Read Up.
GOING EAST.		GOING WEST.
No. 1 Daily.		No. 2 Daily.
14.00 De	Lethbridge	Ar 1.30
15.55	Woodpecker	23.35
16.50	Purple Springs	22.40
17.45 Ar	Grassy Lake	21.45
18.00 De	Cherry Coulee	20.55
18.50	Winnifred	Do 20.00
20.00	Seven Persons	Ar 19.55
20.50	Dunmore	18.45
22.10 Ar		Do 17.30

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

Manitoba and Northwestern Ry.

CHANGE OF TIME.

PASS Tuesday Thursday and Saturday	Miles from Portage	STATIONS.	PASS Monday Wednesday and Fridays
LEAVE		Portage la Prairie	ARRIVE
16 00		Gladstone	13 30
↑ 17 45	35	Nepawa	↑ 12 05
19 45	61	Minnedosa	10 33
20 50	79	Rapid City	9 55
	94		8 30
21 30	115	Snoal Lake	8 00
↑ 22 30	133	Birtle	↑ 7 00
23 30	155	Binscarth	5 55
	166	Russell	5 15
24 10	180	Langenburg	7 15
1 45	206	Saltcoats	3 40
ARRIVE			LEAVE

† Meals.
*Trains for Binscarth leave Birtle Tuesdays and Saturdays only at 22.50; returning, leave Binscarth Wednesdays and Mondays only at 5.55. For Russel leave Birtle Tuesdays only at 22.50; returning leave Russel Wednesdays only at 5.15. For Langenburg and Saltcoats leave Birtle Saturdays only at 22.50, returning leave Saltcoats Mondays only at 3.40. For Rapid City leave Minnedosa Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 20.00; returning leave Rapid City Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8.30.
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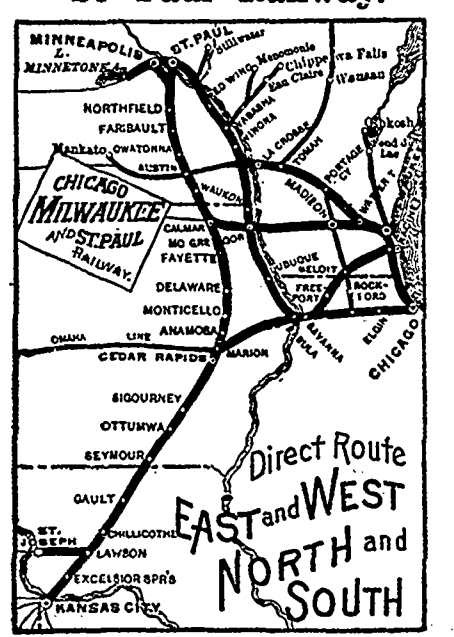
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