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Manitoba.

J. W. Ferrier, Portage la Prairie. black-smith, has sold out to Angus McLeod.

Lynch & Budgeon, grocers, have opened in Winnipeg.

The stock of J. C. Reid, Winnipeg, men's furniishings, has been sold at 55 cents to S. Ripstein.

Burnett & Cameron, Agents, Bolmont, have been succeeded by Charles Cannon.

Fred Starkey, Hotel, Carman, has sold out to Simpson & Kirlio.

Arkell & Co., have opened a drug store at

Carberry. A. Holloway, butcher, has opened business

at Glenboro. J. S. Wood, general store, Neepawa, has

assigned. Freeborn & Chubb, grocers, Morden, have

dissolved, J. Freeborn continues. McLennan & Sturgeon, hardware, Melita,

have dissolved, T. D. Sturgeon continues. F J Jackson has opened a drug store at Oak River.

The livery and feed stable of Joshua Ritchie, Neepawa, was totally destroyed by fire Saturday last. No insurance.

E L Jackson has opened a drug store at Oak Lake.

The stock of L. B. Blasdell, jeweller, Winnipeg, has been sold under mortgage to D R Dingwall,

The Northern hotel, Winnipeg, has changed hands. J. McLaren having sold out his interest to J. McArthur and H. Rathburn.

The Lake Winnipeg fisheries have not been as successful this season as was desirable owing to the prevalence of rough weather. A great many more men will engage in the winter fishing this wirter, than in previous years, it is said.

The Martin, Bole & Wynne Co., Winnipeg, lave secured the services of L. D. Little, late of Chicago and formerly professor in Mary-land College of Pharmacy, to take charge of the company's laboratory, and manufacturing department.

At an adjourned meeting of the Winnipeg city commercial travelers held Saturday night the project of forming an association association." The officers elected are: J. Mowat, honorary president; D. M. Horne, president; A. E. Scott, vice-president; John Horne, secretary; W. Watson, treasurer; committee, H. G. Spurgeon, J. H. Dickey, R. J. Galua, J. Douglas, D. B. McRae. The meeting was adjourned for two weeks when the committee will submit a code of by-laws for approval.

F. Cloutier, grocer, Winnipeg, who succeeded in having the first early closing by-law in Winnipeg quashed, has decided to again fight the new by-law. He has been summoned for keeping his place of business open after the prescribed hours and was fined \$20 and costs. Mr. Cloutier's chief \$20 and costs. Mr. Cloutier's chief contention was that he ran a general store and that while the by-law did apply to grocery, boot and shoe and other specifically mentioned lines of business, it did not apply to general stores. A large amount of evidence was given in the case by Mr. Cloutier, but the magistrate could not endorse his contention. He was accordingly charged in two separate counts as relating to both his grocery and boot and shoe departments and on each charge he was fined \$10 and costs. Mr. Cloutier promptly gave notice he would appeal to the higher courts.

Lumber Trade News.

The Lumbermen's association of Chicago have advanced prices from fifty cents to \$1 per thousand feet, and some say the price may go higher. Lumber has been on a steady decline since 1893. Dealers who boosted the prices, say they have only taken a step toward the price they will ask before next spring if the tide of prosperity continues,

The office of the Burrows & Hall lumber company, Winnipeg, was entered by burglars recently by prying up one of the windows. Holes were drilled in the safe, but the burglars were evidently disturbed, as they left without cracking the safe.

D. E. Sprague's saw mill at Winnipeg has been closed for the winter. The season's cut has been 7,000,000 feet.

Blue & Fisher, saw mill, British Columbia, have amalgamated with A. R. Tillman, of Greenwood, under the name of the Boundary Creek Milling & Lumber Co.

Gennelle & Co., of Revelstoke, British Columbia, are about to build a large mill at Arrowhead, which will have a capacity of from 75,000 to 100,000 feet per day. They will also add a sash and door factory next summer.

The Central Lumber Company known as the Pacific Coast Lumber Combine, writes a correspondent, is now receiving more than its share of attention, in view of the steps taken share of attention, in view of the steps taken by one of its members and the near approach of the time when re-organation for a period of five years was to be affected. The object of the combine, as has been before pointed out, was to handle the foreign trade, the business to be given to each mill to be re-gulated by the capacity of the mills, a pro-position being made on the basis of the maximum output. James E. Bell, of Everett, Wash., mill. became dissatisfied with the Wash., mill, became dissatisfied with the amount of business allotted to him, and withdrew from the organization. He shipped two cargoes of lumber to San Francisco, consigned to the Everett National Bauk, both of which were attached by the combine and held. The bank commenced action in the courts, and it is said the case has never yet been settled. At the annual meeting of the association held at San Francisco, a fair repersentation from both British Columbia and Washington was present. An effort was made to effect a settlement, and a committee was appointed to suggest a plan of re-organization that would harmonize all interests concerned and promote the welfere of the combine. The lumbermen who do business on a commission basis also offer strong opposition to the organization.

Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

The following shows the number of cars of wheat inspected at *Winnipeg for the weeks ended on the dates named, compared with the number of cars inspected for the corres-ponding weeks a year ago, as reported by Inspector Horn to the Board of Trade:

| Grade. | Oct. 10 | 0 Jt. 17 | Oct 24 | Oct. 31 | Nov. 7 |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------|--------|
| Extra Man. H'd | 0 | 0 | 7 | 27 | 60 |
| No. 1 hard | 98 | 230 | 375 | 315 | 393 |
| No. 2 hard | 35 | 160 | 12: | 121 | iii |
| No. 3 hard | 13 | 23 | 31 | 60 | 62 |
| No. 1 North'n . | 8 | 16 | 26 | 13 | ii |
| No. 2 North'n | 3 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| No. 3 North'n | 0 | 0 | Ō | 0 | Ō |
| No. 1 white fyfe | 0 | 2 2 2 0 | 2 0 2 0 | 3 | 1 |
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| No. 1 frosted | 1 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 18 |
| To. 2 frosted | 0 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 15 |
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| No. 1 Rejected. | 2 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 11 |
| No. 2 Rejected. | 2 2 2 0 | 8 8 1 | 8 | 7 | 10 |
| No Grade | 2 | | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Condemned | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| | | _ | | | ~~ |
| Total | 163 | 419 | 610 | 59 L | GLL |
| Same week last | | | | | |
| Y62F | 522 | 311 | 426 | 353 | 224 |

*Wheat inspected at Emerson going out via the Northern Pacific to Duluth, is included in Winnipeg returns. A considerable portion of the wheat moving is inspected at Fort William, and does not show in these figures.

Comparative Prices in Staples.

Prices at New York compared with a year

| Nov. 6, | 1896. Nov. 8, 1895. |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Flour, straight spring. 81.00 to | \$1.25 \$3 00 to \$3 40 |
| Flour, straight winter \$1.10 to | \$1.20 \$3.60 to \$3.60 |
| Wheat, No. 2 red 901c | 6730 |
| Corn, No. 2 mixed 31c | 3610 |
| Oats, No. 2 230 | 234c |
| Ryo, No. 2, Western 4540 | 47¢ |
| Barley, No. 2 Milwaukee 47c | 50g |
| Cotton, mid. upld 81c | 8 13-16c |
| Print cloths, 64x64 2 11- | |
| Wool, Ohio & Pa., X 170 | 17½ to 18c |
| Wool, No. 1 cmbg 20 to | 22c 22 to 23c |
| Pork, mess new, 9.50 to | |
| Lard, westn., stm 4.50 | 85.95 |
| Butter, creamery 20c | |
| | 20 to 23c |
| Cheese, ch. east fty 1010 | |
| Sugar, centrif., 980 31c | 3ic |
| Sugar, granulated 410 | 410 |
| Coffee, Rlo, No. 7 1230 | |
| Petroleum, N. T. Co \$1.17 | • 1.46 |
| Petroleum, rid. gal., . 70 | 7 60 |
| "Iron, Bess. pg 911 50 | to 12 90 \$15.25 |
| Steel billets, ton \$20.25 | \$20.50 |
| Ocean Steam Freights- | _ |
| Grain, Liverpool 51d | 3 <u>1</u> d |
| Cotton 38c | 7-61d |
| * Pittsburgh. | |

Dry Goods Trade Notes.

Bradstreets says of the situation in the United States: Cotton goods are firmer, and values are higher in many instances. The mills are quite well employed, and have better expectation of selling their product.

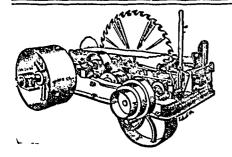
The Montreal Trade Bulletin says two leading mills on the 32 inch flanellette have ceased taking orders, and we learn that ere long a sharp advance on the line will take place, which will be to the benefit of all concerned, both wholesale and retail."

Montreal manafacturers of wool and clothing have agreed to shorten credits one month on sales for spring and fall delivery,

In the United States cottons were below a parity of raw cotton, but now that the elections are over a firm market for manufactures may be expected.

Silver.

Quotations for bar silver, both in London Quotations for our silver, oven in London and New York were slightly depressed as a result of the United States election. The London price fell off from 30d. to 29 18-16d. per ounce, and at New York bars declined from 65c to 644c. Silver prices on November 6 were, London, 29 15-16d; New York, 65c.

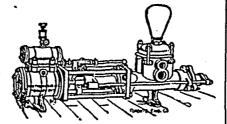


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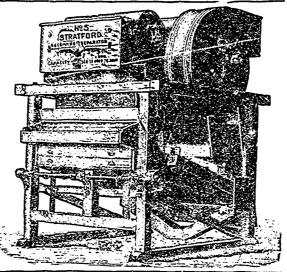
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OIVIC WATER WORKS.

The citizens of Winnipeg will shortly be called upon to vote upon a by-law to provide for a municipal system of water-works for the city. At the last meeting of the council a by-law was passed providing for the submission of the matter to the electors. This is a question which has been before the people of Winnipeg for some years, and it is a matter of the greatest importance to the city. It is hardly worth while entering into any argument to prove that the city should own an efficient system of water-works as speedily as possible. This much will be admitted by almost every one who has given the question any thought. A franchise for supplying the city with water was obtained by a private company in the early days of the city, and this has been the chief difficulty in the way. There have been several proposals for buying out the private company, but the price demanded has generally been considered as altogether too much. Fortunately this franchise will expire in four years, and the city will then be free to establish a public system of water works for all purposes.

There can be no doubt but that it would be a great advantage to the city of Winnipeg to own a complete municipal system of waterworks. This is something which should be the property of the city, to regulate and control for the public good. The experience of other cities proves this. It is necessary for the health of the city that the water-works should be the property of the city. Until this is accomplished, the city authorities will be at a disadvantage in regulating certain nuisances, such as these filthy box or ground closets which exist so thickly even in the business portions of the city. There is also good reason to believe that the cost of public scavenging would be greatly reduced if the city owned an efficient system of water-works, and it is certain that the cost of maintaining the fire department could be greatly reduced if the city controlled the water-works.

Some seem to imagine that the expenditure of a large sum to establish water-works would increase their taxes. This of course is a mistake. The system should be selfsupporting. The revenue derived therefrom should be sufficient to meet all expenditure, even after supplying the city with water at a considerably less cost than has now to be borne by the citizens. In fact an efficient municipal system of water-works should be a great saving to the people, in providing a reduction in the cost of the water supply, besides reducing the cost of scavenging, and maintaining the fire department, and providing for the more efficient control of matters pertaining to the public health.

The only reasonable argument against submitting the by-law at the present time, is the fact that no well defined plan has been presented for the construction of the work. The source of supply has not even been decided upon. A large number of citizens will be opposed to taking water from either

the Assimboine or the Red river. The only other source of supply close at hand would be from artesian wells. Whether or not a sufficient supply could be obtained from this source, is a matter which has not been fully investigated, though conditions seem favorable for obtaining an abundant supply of water from artesian wells, within reasonable distance of the city. It is well known that there are flowing springs within a few miles of the city, and flowing wells have been struck within the city limits. More distant sources of supply are the Winnipeg river and Lake Manitoba. The proposal to have an investigation of the different sources of supply made by an expert engineer, is no doubt what should be done, but this should not prevent the council from taking such steps in the meantime as will enable the city to carry out, as speedily as possible, whatever plan should eventually be decided upon. The investigation should be made with the full understanding that it is the determination of the citizens to have a system of water-works established at the earliest practical moment. One of the first things necessary is the adoption of a by-law providing a fund for carrying out the work. Of course it would have been better if more definite proposals could have been placed before the citizens when they are asked to vote supplies, and the council is certainly to blame in not having that information at hand now. We believe, however, the citizens would be safe in passing the by-law and leave details for future arrangement, thus avoiding possible delays. In view of the proposals to begin a compreheneive plan of street improvements, it is specially desirable that the water mains should be put down before the paving is undertaken.

THE QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

It is said that Hon. Mr Fisher, Dominion minister of agriculture, will go to Washington at an early date to discuss the cattle quarantine regulations. Hon. Mr. Fielding is reported to have said, in a recent interview, that a feeling exists that there is no further need of the ninety days' quarantine at the boundary against cattle. The quarautine question is a matter which has been discussed in the West to some extent. The feeling here is that the quarantine regulations are a great drawback to immigration from the United States. Many persons regard the United States as our best field wherein to look for settlers, but so long as the present quarantine regulations are in force, we cannot hope to get many settlers from that quarter. At least we will certainly be at a great disadvantage in endeavoring to secure settlers from the States. Agricultural settlers from the United States would, in the great majority of cases, bring a portion at least of their live stock along with them, if it were not for the quarantine regulations. These regulations present an effectual barrier against bringing in live stock. Many persons who contemplate moving to Canada, change their minds when they learn that they cannot bring their live stock along with them. It is not possible for farmers to have all their live stock in marketable condition at one time, and it would usually entail a serious loss to sell off

everthing at forced sale, in order to move to another location. It is quite certain that immigration into Manitoba and the Territories from the central, western and northwestern states would be very much larger than it is if the quarantine regulations were not in the way to prevent intending settlers from bringing their live stock along, with them.

Certain interests will of course be opposed to a removal or modification of the quarantine regulations. Breeders of live stock will no doubt oppose any modification of the regulations, and they will doubtless claim that our herds and flocks will be in great danger from the introduction of diseases if the quarantial is not enforced. So far as The Commercial is familiar with the matter, however, we can see no great danger to our home stock interests from the removal of the quarantine regulations against cattle at least, in favor of settlers coming into the country. A careful inspection of all animals coming in, however, should be made.

The removal of the quarantine cannot make any difference to our export trade, as live stock from Canada has no special privileges in British markets. Formerly it was contended that we must enforce a strict quarantine against the United States in order to maintain the special privileges which were for a time granted to Canadian cattle in British markets. Now the United States and Canada are on the same footing in British markets and no reason can surged for keeping up the quarantine on account of any difference it will make in our export trade.

Any trade in cattle between the United States and Canada is practically out of the question while these regulations endure. Under certain conditions it might be possible to do some business in live stock with the United States, notwithstanding the duty, were the quarantine removed, but so long as it is enforced no such business could be done even if there were no duty in the way of exporting to the United States.

THE LAKE MANITOBA ROUTE.

By the opening of the Lake Manitoba route to the Saskatchewan river, as discussed in The Commercial recently, coal from either the North or South Saskatchewan could be distributed not only to Winnipeg but right through the centre of Manitoba. The coal could be delivered to all points along the Red river from Selkirk to Emerson without breaking bulk, while the Assiniboine could be utilized to deliver the fuel right through the heart of the province of Manitous to the boundary of Assiniboia territory. Thus the coal could be delivered to Brandon and other western points at about the same cost as to lay it down in Winnipeg. The more this matter is thought over the more important it appears. If this route can be opened up and made navigable at a very moderate expenditure, as is claimed by competent engineers, the people of Manitoba should not rest until at least a preliminary survey of the route has been made. If this route were opened it is quite evident that coal could be laid down at all points in Manitoba along the Red and Assiniboine rivers, at about half the price

now charged for the cheapest fuel now in the market. The importance of the Lake Manitoba route in no wise detracts from the great need of the canal on the Red river at the St. Andrew's rapids. This is a work which, in itself, is of pressing importance. In fact the opening of the Lake Manitoba route to the Saskatchowan would add to the importance of carrying out the proposed improvements on the Red river.

EDITURIAL NOTES.

THE Winnipeg city council has passed a by-law providing for the taking of a vote of the electors on the proposition to establish a municipal system of gas and electric lighting. The franchise of the private gas company, which now supplies the city, expires in two years. There appears to be no good reason why the city should not control these franchises and conduct them with satisfaction and profit to the citizens.

THE legislative committee of the Winnipeg city council has recommended that with a view of discussing the frontage tax system of taxation for the improvement of city streets and pavements in general, a meeting of this committee be held in the council chamber on Thursday, 19th inst., to which the following persons shall be invited, viz. All the aldermen not members of this committee, the city solicitor, and a committee of not more than six from each of the following bodies: Board of Underwriters, Loan Agents' association, Bankers' association, Buard of Trade, Grain Exchange, Jobbers' Union, Trades and Labor council, and Retailers association. This meeting should be the means of obtaining a fair idea of the views of the citizens regarding the frontage tax system If any comprehensive system of street improvement is to be adopted in Winnipag, it seems certain that some other than the frontage tax system will have to be adopted.

It would appear from remarks of Capt. Johannason that there is considerable waste in the Lake Winnipeg fisheries. Gill nets are used in the fisheries, and in stormy weather the nets cannot be lifted promptly and the consequence is that large numbers of fish die in the nets and are spoiled. It is said there was a very heavy loss this season in this way, on account of the prevalence of stormy weather. Capt. Johannason also says that at times the catch is larger than can be handled and large quantities of fish have to be thrown away. The whitefish fisheries of the Manitoba lakes form one of the important sources of wealth of the country, and it is very desirable that the fisheries should be kept up and any unnecessary waste prevented. If any change in the class of nets used or the mode of fishing can be made, so as to prevent this loss, without seriously hampering the fishing interest, it should be done. There was talk of introducing pound nets, but The Commercial is not aware of the present position of the lisheries, in this respect. Unlike gill nets, the fish will remain uninjured in the pound nets, until the nets can be lifted.

Mixing Wheat at Fort William.

Editor The Commercial.

Dear Sir.-Permit me to offer a few remarks re your editorial on the above sub-

Your article would lead one to believe that the standards board had passed a resolution asking the government to prohibit the mixing of the different grades, whereas the resolution passed was practically to the effect that grain must be inspected out the same grade as it was inspected in, and should more than one grade be loaded into a vessel the bill of lading must show the number of bushels of each grade.

The present practice of mixing various

grades together and having the inspector grade the mixture is unjust to the farmer and small dealer. It is plain that the grain in the elevators is above the standard since each car going in must at least be equal to the standard, and may be much above it, hence the dealer finds he can add a considerable proportion of the lower grades to say No. 1 or No. 8, and it will still grade out No. 1 or No. 8 as the case may be. The local buyer usually buys in opposition to a buyer for an export firm, and we will suppose they each ship a car to grade No 1 hard. Should they both miss the grade, the local dealer is forced to lose the difference in the grades of from 2 to 5c per bushel, and is probably out of rocket on the transaction. of pocket on the transaction, while the ex-porter is enabled to mix in his car and probably the car of his smaller competitor and grade out the whole as one bard, clearly profiting at the expense of the small dealer. Further than that, this mixture grading out one hard does not command the price it would if unmixed, thus depreciating the price of one hard to the farmer.

I may say inspector Gibb brought a sample with him from the first 600 cars of one harp of this crop to the standards meeting. It was a fine sample, weighing between 62 and 63 lbs to the bushel, and would stand a lot of No. 2 and would still be equal to the standard sample selected by the board, and was worth probably 2 to 8c more than standard quality. Had the board asked for the prevention of mixing grades your article re the difficulty of arranging for the large number of grades would have been in order, but as it is we have simply asked the government to have it inspected out as it is inspected in, and thus place the farmer, the local dealer and the ex-porter on a fair basis and at the same time build up the reputation of the West for hard wheat.

Yours truly,

R. J. Phin. Moosomin, Nov. 10th, 1893.

NOTE BY EDITOR.-We think Mr. Phin rather draws a distinction without a difference. If it is decided that grain must grade out as it grades in, the effect in practice will be to prevent dealers from mixing different grades when they wish to make up straight cargo lots.]

Grocery Trade Notes.

A Toronto report says canned tomatoes are very firm.

The market for prompt shipment currents in Greece still seems to be unsettled. some cables quote 10s 6d, others received name 10s 3d as acceptable.

The Montreal Gazette says. "Cable offers for Valencia raisins that were forwarded from here last week to Denia were refused, as a further advance in prices of 2s had been established. Buyers here, however, readily established. Buyers here, however, readily accepted all the fruit they could get at the rise. There are now more orders in hand at primary markets than the shipper will accept.

Since the Avlona's fruit was landed some small parcels have arrived from New York. which were promptly taken by jobbers her. Bellona is due here in about ten days, but her cargo has all been sold to arrive. The her cargo has all been sold to arrive. The appreciation in values this year will is readily recognized from the fact that fruit which last season cost 16s costs 21s."

New Yord Journal of Commerce, says "The scarcity of lobster packed in Canada and at other points in America has brought out offerings from remote markets, such, for instance, as South Africa. A brand of lobster packed in Cape Town, South Africa, has been brought here and is said to be receiving considerable favor."

It is reported from Montreal that the principal wholesale tea houses have instructed their travellers to put up prices 2e per pound.

There is no abatement in the upward movement of the rice market. The tendency continues strong and prices which seemed unreasonable a few weeks ago are new looked upon as cheap, owing to the poor crop, particularly in Japan.

A Montreal reportsays: "The demand for teas continues good, especially for low grade Japans, and sales of some fair-sized lots were made at 14 jc, which is an advance of he per pound over previous transactions. A cable received from London stated that all grades of Moyenne Young Hyson had advanced This was a reply to a cable offering the oid price for more of these teas for prompt show ment."

A cable quoted an advance of 8 francs in the price of Grenoble walnuts for shipmer.

The New York Commercial Bulletin says "Concerning the diminished production of teas, the latest cable advices indicate the supply for the year of Japan teas as from 32. 000,000 to 33,000,000 pounds, against 30, 100 000 to 10,000,000 pounds last year, and of greens as 15,000,000 pounds, against 21,000,000 pounds last year, of oolongs as 21,500,000 pounds, against 23,000,000 pounds last year. and of congou as 13,000,000 pounds, against 15,000,000 last year. This would make a total supply of all kinds of 81,500,000 pounds to 82.500,000 pounds, against 98,000,000 pounds to 99,000,000 younds last year.

The Brazilian coffee crop is large.

It is understood that the Edendale, with the first direct shipment of new crop dates, which sailed from Bussorah, October 10th, is under contract to arrive in New York by November 18th.

A further advance of \$c was made at Montreal on yellow sugars, on Nov. 6, but granulated was unchanged.

Rice has advanced he at Montreal.

The steamship Bellona landed her cargo of Mediterranean fruit at Montreal on Nov. 5. It comprised 2,050 boxes Terragona almonds; 81 boxes, 55,844 half boxes, 4,868 quarter boxes and 3,100 eighth boxes Valencia raisins; 7,100 boxes, 110 half boxes and 3,925 quarter boxes Malaga raisins; 3,060 boxes shelled almonds and 15 bags of almonds; 940 frails of first; 795 harrals, 1,150 half boxes. frails of figs; 795 barrels, 1,150 half barrels, 5,053 cases 5,170 half cases and 330 quarter cases of currents. Practically the bulk of this fruit has been sold to arrive to Ontario buyers.

Wool Sales.

It is understood that nearly all the large lots of wool held by ranchers in the territories have been sold recently to John Hadam, of Toronto, proprietor of the Toronto Hade and Wool Co.'s business in Winnipeg, which is managed by H. Leadly. The ranchers refused to accept prices offered earlier in the season, but they have mostly sold lately.



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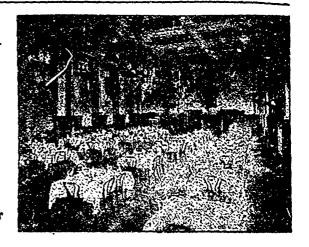
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Ohioago Board of Trade Prices.

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 2 cats and No. 2 corn, per tushel. Pork 15 quoted per barrel and lard and short 10s per 100 pounds.

Wheat was strong on Monday and advanced sharply influenced by a large demand for each wheat, but a break later in the day carried prices down again to near Saturday's prices. Closing prices were:

| | Nov. | Dec. | May | Jan. |
|-------------|------------|-------|-------|---------------|
| Wheat | 773 213 | 783 | 827 | |
| Corn | 217 | 25 | 29 | |
| Oats | 18§ | 19∄ | 221 | |
| Mess Pork | | 7 02 | 9 87 | 8 02₃ |
| Lard | | 4 15 | 4 57 | 4 875 |
| Short Ribs. | | 8 773 | 4 221 | 8 97 <u>1</u> |

Wheat again advanced sharply on Tuesday, touching the highest price of the year, the top reached being 814c for December option, influenced by bad crop reports from Argonine, strong European cables, foreign buying, demand for cash wheat and lighter receipts at northwestern points. The top prices were not hold. Closing prices were.

Nov. Dec. May Jan.

Wheat... 80 807 813 —
Corn.... 253 264 295 —
Oats..... 138 194 23 —
Mess Pork... 7 00 8 35 8 00

 Oats.....
 10g
 19g
 23

 Mess Pork..
 —
 7 00
 8 35
 8 00

 Lard.....
 —
 4 12g
 4 55
 4 32g

 Short Ribs.
 —
 8 80
 4 17g
 3 95

On Wednesday cables were easier and with realizing sales wheat declined, then advanced sharply, on export buying at San Francisco, but declined again on more favorable reports of the Russian crop, closing near the bottom. Closing prices were:

| | NOA. | Dec. | Jan. | May. |
|------------|------|--------------|------|-------|
| Wheat | 78 | 79 | | 83 |
| Corn | 248 | 253 | | 29 |
| Oats | 18% | 19ម្ពី | | 252 |
| Mess Pork | | บ ยั?สู | 7 95 | |
| Lard | | 4 07% | 4 80 | 4 521 |
| Short Ribs | | ປ ປ ີ | 8 95 | 4 15 |
| 0 001 1 | | | | |

On Thursday wheat was irregular and lower in the forexoon, but made a sharp advance later, on large export buying and covering by shorts, and at the close the markets had recovered the decline of yesterday. Closing prices were:

| | TAOA | Dec. | may. | Jan. |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------|
| Wheat | 793 | £03 | 813 | |
| Corn | 254 | 25_{H}^{2} | 2ÿ 1 | |
| Oats | 19 } | 19 3 | $22\frac{7}{8}$ | |
| Mess Pork | | 7 073 | 8 423 | 8 00 |
| Lard | | 4 15 | 4 573 | 4 85 |
| Short Ribs | | 3 90 | 4 20 | 4 00 |

On Friday wheat was irregular and strong most of the day, a sharp advance taking place in the foreneon. Though the close was lower the market on the whole was a very strong one, December option touching 813c at one time. Closing prices were:

| | Nov. | Dec. | Jan | May. |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| Wneat | 793 | 80 1 | | ននិត្ត |
| Corn | $25\frac{7}{8}$ | 25g | | 288 |
| Oats | 18§ | 19ଞ୍ଜି | | 22 3 |
| Mess Pork | | 6 95 | 7 95 | 8 3ū |
| Lard | | 4 10 | 4 80 | 4 523 |
| Short Ribs. | | 8 85 | 8 95 | 4 15 |

On Saturday December wheat opened at 80½c, and sold mostly about 79 to 70½c, the lowest point was 78¾c, and the opening price was the highest. Closing prices were:

| _ | Nov. | Dec. | Jan. | May |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Wheat | 78 1 | 79 | | 828 |
| Corn | 25 | 251 | | 288 |
| Oats | 183 | 19 1 | | $22\frac{3}{2}$ |
| Mess Pork | | | 7 85 | 8 221 |
| Lard | | | $422\frac{1}{3}$ | |
| Short Ribs. | | | 8 90 | |
| Flax Seed | 77 <u>4</u> | 76 <u>3</u> | | 82 |

A week ago Dac. wheat closed at 78 ge and a year ago at 57 ge and two years ago at 56 ge and three years ago at —.

Duluth Wheat Market.

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

Monday -Sept. — Dec. 79/2. May 83/6, Tuesday—Sept. — Dec. 81/c, May 85/6. Wednesday—Sept. — Dec. 80/6, May. 81/6. Thursday—Oct. — Dec. 81/6, May 81/6. Friday—Oct. — Dec. 81/6, May 81/6. Saturday—Oct. — Dec. 81/6 May. 83/6.

A week ago December delivery closed at 78 c. A year ago December delivery closed at 51 c. Two years ago Dec. closed at 60 cand three years ago at 63 c.

On Saturday cash wheat closed at 82% for No. 1 hard and 81% for 1 northern.

New York Wheat.

On Saturday, November 14, December, delivery closed at 88c and May option at 88ge A week ago December option closed at 85gc.

Minneapolis Wheat.

On Saturday, Nov. 11, No. 1 Northern wheat closed as follows: Oct. delivery at 78%, December at 78%, and May at 81%. A week ago December wheat closed at 78%.

Minneapolis Markets.

The Market Record of Nov. 12, reports the market quiet and bids for export under the cost of production. Prices are as follows, in bbls, f.o.b.: First patents, \$4 40 to \$155; Second patents, \$4.20 to \$1.30. First clears, \$3.50 to \$3.75; second clear, \$3.40, Export baker's, \$3.65 to \$3.75; second export bakers' \$3.80 to \$3.40. Red Dog, per ton, 140 for lbs. jute, \$10 to \$19.50. These prices show an advance of 300 per barrel for patents, 25 to 400 for clears and export bakers. compared with a week ago.

Millstuffs—Bran in bulk, \$5.00 to \$5.50; bran in sacks, 200 lbs. \$6.00 to \$6.25; bran in sacks, 100 lbs. \$6.50 to \$6.75; shorts, \$6 to \$6.25; middlings, fine, \$7.00 to \$7.25. The prices are the same as a week ago.

Oats.—Range at 16c for light up to 184c. Barley—Quoted at 21 to 25c per bushel.

Flax.—Quoted at 76c per bushel, being an advance of 10c in the week.

Hay —Prairie, \$3.50 to \$7.00 per ton, as to quality—Market Record, November 12.

British Columbia Markets.

fAll 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 each discounts.

Grain prices will likely be higher next week. Too many apples in the market.

Butter.—Manitoba Dairy butter, 17 to 18e; Manitoba creamery, 24½c; eastern creamery, 24½c; local creamery, 25c; Manitoba cheese, 11c; local cheese, 11c.

Cured Meats.—Hams 18½ cents; breakfast bacon 12½c; backs 12 to 12½c; long, clear 8c; short rolls 9½ to 10c; smoked sides 9½c. Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 9½c per pound; in pails and tubs 9c.

Fish.—Prices are: Flounders 3c; smelt 4c; see bass 4c, black cod 6c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 4c; herring 4c; spring salmon 7c; whiting 6c; soles 6c; steel head, 6c; crars 60c dozen; smoked halibut, 10c; kippered cod 9c; sturgeon 6c; salt colachan, 25 and 50 lb. kits \$3.75 and \$8.50; smoked salmon 10c.

Vegatables—Now potatoes, \$12.00 per ton; onions, silver skins, 1c per pound; California onions 143; cabbage, 4c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$7.50 a ton.

Eggs.—Ranch 22 to 25c; Manitoba, 17c to 18c.

Fruits.—Fruit is sold by box unless otherwise quoted. Standard American boxes measure one foot ten and a half inches by sleven and a half inches with depth of elev 1 inches, inside measurement, and contain from 280 to 860 lemons, from 125 to 800 seedling oranges, or from 125 to 150 naval oranges. California lemons. \$3.75 to \$4; Australian oranges, \$3.25; Tomatoes, 23e per 1b; Pears, 40 lb. box. \$1.25; California apples, 50 lb. box, \$1.85; British Columbia apples, 50 lb. bcx. 75e to \$1; Eastern apples \$1.00.

Evaporated Fruits.—Apricots 11c per 1b; peaches 7\frac{7}{2}c; plums 9 to 10c; prunes, French, 4\frac{1}{2}c to 7c; losso Muscatel raisins. 6c, London layer raisins \$1.65 box; Italian prunes, 6 to 7\frac{1}{2}c.

Nuts,—Almonds, 18c; filberts, 124c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 124c; walnuts, to 16c lb.

Meal.—National mills rolled cats. 90 lb sacks, \$3.00; 45 pound sacks, \$3.10; 22½ pound sacks, \$2.60; 10.7 sacks, \$2.00. Oatmeal, 10-10's, \$3.25; 2-50's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.25; 2-45s, \$2.85. Manitoba Rolled Oats, 90's, \$2,25 45's \$2.85.

Flour.—Delivered BC points.— Manitoba patent, per barrel. \$5.50; strong bakers, \$5.10; Oregon, \$5.25; Oak Lake patent, \$5.20; do. strong bakers \$1.80.

Grain.—Washington State wheat \$27.00 per ton f. o. b. Vancouver, duty paid. Oats \$18.00 per ton.

Ground Feed.—National mills chop, \$21 to \$22 per ton: ground barley. \$22 ton; shorts, \$20.00 ton; bran \$18.00; oil cake meal, \$30 ton: F. O. B. Vancouver, including duty paid on import stuff.

Hay.-88.50 per ton.

Dressed Meats.—Beef, 6 to 7c; mutton, 6 to 7c; pork, 6 to 64c; veal, 7 to 8c.

Live Stock.—Steers, \$3.00 to \$3.50; per hundred lbs.; sheep, \$3.10 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$4.50 to \$4.75 per 100 lbs; lamb \$2.75 to \$3 per head.

Poultry.—Chickens, \$3.5) to \$4.50; ducks, \$5 per dozen.

Sugars.—Powdered and icing, 6½c; Paris lump, 6c; granulated, 5c; extra C, 5½c; fancy yellows 4½c; yellow 4c per lb.

Syrups.—30 gallon barrels, 13e per pound; 10 gallon kegs, 23e; 5gallon kegs, \$1.50 each; 1 gallon tins, \$1 per case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$4.75 per case of 20.

Teas.—Congo: Fair. 11½c; good, 18c. choice 26c. Caylons: Fair 25c; good 30c, choice 35c per 1b.

Alberta.

Cairns & Kelly, brewers, Edmonton, have dissolved partnership.

R. Lindaw, general trader, Fort, Saskat chewan, has sold out to L. Moret.

D. G. Stewart, general dealer, Lacomb, reported to have assigned, has arranged a settlement at 40 cents on the dollar.

Rossland, Golden and Fort Steele, British Columbia and Edmonton Alberta, have been made per anent outports of entries by the customs department.

The propellor Acadia which left Fort William on November 4th., was wree ad the following day near Michipicoten island. The crew escaped. The propellor carried 25,000 bushels of grain for Ogilvie of Montreal and was owned by MacKay.

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THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

WINNIPEG, Saturday, November 14, 1896.

Advices from the country are very favorable. Country merchants at most points are reported to be doing a better business than for some years, with a larger proportion of cash business going. Exceptions are in districts which were swept by the big hail storm last summer, or points where the crops were below the average. In the city jobbing trade business has been good in season lines. Sales of winter foot wear, fur goods, etc., have been large and a good sorting trade is now starting 'n, inflaenced by the cold weather this Cattle exports are keeping up briskly yet. There has been a lot of flour moving eastward, to take advantage of the lake and rail rates before the close of navigation, which is now drawing near. It is difficult to secure space, which is well taken up to the close of navigation, in the regular lines. Though winter has now set in, some parties of immigrants are still arriving. In prices, wheat is higher, oats very strong, hides and wool higher, butter strong to higher, staple groceries very firm and tending higher.

In the United States this week advances are reported in lumber, wool, leather, shoes, petroleum, lard, sugar and cereals. Cotton is firm and iron firm to higher for some lines. About 200 industrial establishments are reported to have started up this week, and 190 others have increased their working forces.

There were 44 business failures reported in Canada this week, as compared with 50 last week, 45 in the week one year ago, 38 two years ago and 35 three years ago.

At New York, yesterday call money was easy at 3 to 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5 to 6 per cent. Bar silver 612c, Mexican dollars, 503c, silver certificates 612 to 654c.

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

WINNIPEG, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Nov. 14.

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

BOOTS AND SHOES,—Local jobbers have experienced a good trade this season. The most marked feature of the trade at the moment is the actual shortage of rubber goods. There has been a heavy trade in winter footwear, and as a result stocks have run short in overshoes, and jobbers have not been able to got in supplies fast enough to keep up with the demand. In felt footwear there has been a very large business done, and these lines have evidently come into general fivor here for the city and town trade. It is only a few years since felt boots were introduced here to any extent and during the last two or three years the sales have increased fast.

COAL. — There is no change in coal. There is a good demand particularly for the native soft coals, the sales of the latter being larger than usual. Prices here are as follows: Pennsylvania anthracite \$10.00; western anthracite, \$9.50 per ton Souris coal \$1.50 ton; lethbridge \$6.50. These prices are delivered to consumers in Winnipeg. Carlots on track of Souris coal are held at \$3.85 to \$3.90 per ton.

CORDWOOD—Prices are about the same. The demand is good. Tamarac of last winter's cutting is generally held at \$4.50 per cord, but real dry, choice tamarac will bring \$4.75. Prices for car lots on track hare are quoted at \$4.50 to \$4.75 for tamarac as to quality. Pine \$3.75 to \$4.25, as to quality; poplar \$2.75.

Dried Fruits and Nuts.—New figs are to hand this week, and are hold at 12c to 20c, as to quality. Ontario chestnuts and hickory nuts are in. Grenoble Walnuts, 14c; Tarragona almonds, 15c; princess paper shell almonds, 20c; Sicilly filberts, large, 12c; Brazil nuts, 14c; peanuts, roasted, 13c; peanuts greens, 11c; Ontario black walnuts, 8c; butternuts, 9c; hicory nuts, 9c per pound; chestnuts 15c lb, cocoanuts, \$1.00 per dozen, figs, new, 12, 16 and 20c per lb, as to quality, for layers; dates, 6 and 7c per lb., apricots, 13½ to 14c; dried apples, 5 to 6c; evaporated apples 6 to 7c per lb.

DRY GOODS—Prices are being held firm, according to all advices of late. Cotton goods are firmer in the United States since the elections, and this influences the market here. There is a fairly good sorting trade doing in season goods, and advices from the country report that country merchants are doing a rattling good business this season, so that the sirting trade is expected to improve as soon as original stocks run down. Payments are fair.

DRUGS — Cream tartar has declined abroad. Glyperine is held at high figures in England. Castor oil continues to advance. Prices here for parcel lots are as follows, with liberal reductions for large orders: Alum per pound, \$\frac{3}{4}\$ to \$4\frac{1}{4}\circ\$; alcohol, \$5.25 gallon; bletching powder per pound; \$6\$ to \$6\circ\$; bluestone, 5 to 7c; borax 11 to 13 cents; bromide potash, \$65\$ to 75\circ\$; camphor, ounces 90 to 1.00; carbolic acid, \$40\$ to \$65\circ\$; castor oil, \$11\$ to \$15\circ\$; chlorate potash, \$28\$ to \$5\circ\$; citric acid, \$55\$ to \$65\circ\$. copperas \$3\circ\$ to \$40\circ\$; cocaine, per oz., \$6.50 to \$7.00; cream tartar, per pound, \$0\$ to \$5\circ\$; citves, \$20\$ to \$25\circ\$; epsom salts, \$\frac{3}{4}\$ to \$4\circ\$; extract logwood, bulk, \$1\circ\$ to \$6\circ\$; ginger, Jamaica, \$0\$ to \$5\circ\$; 25\circ\$; do., African, \$20\$ to \$25\circ\$; Howard's quinine, per ounce, \$45\$ to \$5\circ\$; iodine, \$5.50\$ to \$6.00, insect powder, \$5\$ to \$40\circ\$; morphia sul., \$1.90\$ to \$2.25\$. Opium, \$4.50\$ to \$5,00\circ\$; oil, oilve, \$1.25\circ\$ to \$1.40\circ\$; oil, lemon, super \$2.75\$ to \$3.25\circ\$; oil, peppermint, \$4.00\$ to \$1.50\circ\$; allow, \$2.50\$ to \$1.40\circ\$; oil, cod livor, \$2.50\$ to \$1.40\circ\$; oil, cod livor, \$2.50\$ to \$1.40\circ\$; oil, cod livor, \$2.50\$ to \$1.50\circ\$; saltpatro; 10 to \$12\circ\$; sal rochelle, \$0\$ to \$3\circ\$; shellac, \$4.5\circ\$; salphur flowers, \$\frac{3}{2}\$ to \$5\circ\$; shellac, \$45\$ to \$0\circ\$; sulphur flowers, \$\frac{3}{2}\$ to \$5\circ\$; sulphur roll, per keg, \$\frac{3}{2}\$ to \$5\circ\$; soda bicarb, per keg of \$112\$ pounds, \$3.75\$ to \$1.45\circ\$; of \$1.50\circ\$; extractic acid, per lb., \$45\$ to \$5\circ\$; strychnine, pure crystals \$0\$ to \$1.00 per oz.

FLUID BEEF, ETC.—Following are prices of the goods put up by the Johnston Fluid Beef Company of Montreal:—Johnstons Fluid Beef —No. 1, 2-oz. tins, per dozen, \$2.70; No. 2, 4oz., \$1.50; No. 3, 8oz., \$7.88; No. 4, 1 lb., \$12.83; No. 5, 2 lb., \$24.30. Staminal—2oz. bottles, per dozen, \$2.55; do, 4oz. \$5.10.

FISH-The market is well supplied with fresh and cured fish. Oysters easier. Shell oysters are now in. Prices are: Finnan Haddies, 11c per lb. by the box. Whitefish, 6c; Lake Superior trout, 9c; Pickerel, 1c; Sturgeon, 8c; salmon, 14c; halibut, 12½c; Cod, 10c; Haddock, 10c per lb; smelts 10c; Oysters, \$1.80 per gallon for standards and \$2.00 for selects; shell oysters, \$3.50 barrel; smoked goldeyes, 30c dozen; smoked selmon, 15c lb.; bloaters, \$1.50 box; red herrings, 20c box; pickled trout, \$7.50 per barrel of 100 lbs; pickled whitefish, \$6 per barrel.

GROCERIES.—It is seldom that such a tendency in the direction of higher prices is shown in any branch of business as has been the case of late in groceries. Almost every staple line is advancing. Dried fruits of nearly every kind have experienced a regular "boom" in prices of late, as shown by The Commercial reports during recent weeks. Teas are also going up. owing to the short crop in China and Japan Sugars have advanced several points within two weeks, and rice has also experienced a sharp advance, owing also to short crop in Japan and other parts. In another column will be found several paragraphs repeating these facts. There was a further advance in sugars at Montreal, in sympathy with New York and European advices, and Cauadian refiners were holding at \$\frac{3}{2}\$ to \$4c\$ for granulated and \$\frac{3}{2}\$ to \$5\frac{1}{2}\$ for yellows at refineries. European beet sugar crop reports are not so favorable, estimates being reduced. New California prunes are on the way now to this market. Canned meats are firm. Corned and roast beef have advanced luc per dozen.

Green Fruits.—The Apple market has been demoralized by the large quantity of apples brought in here by parties who are not regularly in the trade. These parties have been anxious to dispose of the fruit, and in some cases not having good storage, they have pushed them off at cut prices. Apples have been peddled around the city to consumers at below regular wholesale prices, selling anywhere from \$2 to \$2.50 per barrel as to quality, etc. The regular dealers are holding prices firmer, however, and with colder weather to stop shipments in, prices will likely soon advance a little. A car of spies sold at \$2.25 per barrel. Grapes are about all out except Spanish Malagas. Some Catawba grapes are in, however. A very tomatoes are still in stock. Prices are as fellows: Apples \$2 to \$2.50 per barrel as to quality. The reguar dealers are holding good stock at \$2.35 to \$2.50, and up to \$3 to \$3.25 for choice spies and snows. California lemons \$5.50 to \$6 per box; Jamaica oranges \$5.50 box; Mexican oranges \$5.50 to \$6; Cape Cod cranberries \$9 per barrel; Washington pears \$2.50 box; Ontario pears \$0c per basket of 20 pounds; Malaga grapes, \$7.50 to \$5.50 per keg, as to size; Tomatoes, 75c per basket of 20 lbs. Sweet potatoes \$1.50 to \$5 per barrel.

HARDWARE. - Prices are as follows:

TIN, lamb and 56 and 28 lb. ingots, per lb. 19 to 20c.

TIN PLATES. — Charcoal plates, I. C., 10 by 14, 12 by 12 and 14 by 20, per box, \$1.50 to \$1,75, I. X., same sizes, per box, \$5.75 to \$6: I. C., charcoal, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$5.50 to 9.00; I. X., per box, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$10.50 to 11.00.

TERNE PLATES.—I. C., 20 by 28, \$9.00 to 8.50.

IRON AND STEEL.—Bar iron, per 100 lbs. base price. \$2.55 to \$2.50; band iron, per 100 lbs., \$2.85 to \$0.00; Swedish iron, per 100 lbs.; \$5.25 to 6; sleigh shoe steel, \$3.00 to \$2.55; best east tool steel, per lb, 11 to 12c; Russian sheet, per lb, 12 to 13c.

SHEET IRON.—10 to 20 gauge, \$3.00; 22 to 24 and 26 gauge, \$3.25; 29 gauge, \$3.50. CANADA PLATES.—Garth and Blaina, \$3.10

GALVANIZED IRON.—Queen's Head, 22 to 24 gauge, per lb., 4½c; 26 gauge, per lb., 4½c; 28 gauge, per lb., 5c.

IRON PIPE.—50 to per 60 cent. off list.

LEAD.-Pig, per lb., 41c.

SHEET ZINO—In casks, 5.75 lb., broken lots, 6.00.

SOLDER.—Half and half (guar) per Ib, 14 to 16c.

AMMUNITION.—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American, discount, 40 per cent.; rim fire

cartridges, Dominion, 50 and 5, rim fire military, American, net list; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent.; shot shells, 12 guage, \$6 to 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 5½e; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6c.

WIRE.—Galvanized barb wire, plain twisted wire and staples, \$3.25 per 100 lbs.

ROPE.—Sisal, per lb., 7½ to 8c base; manilla, per lb., 9½ to 10½c base; cotton, ½ to ½ inch and larger, 15c lb.

Axes.—Per box, \$6.00 to 9.00.

NAILS.—Cut, per keg, base price, \$3.16 for 60 d. with usual extras; common steel wire nails, 5 to 6 inch, \$3.60 per keg; 8 to 4 inch \$3.91 keg; 2½ inch, \$4.22 keg.

Horse NAILS .- Pointed and finished, oval heads. List prices as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box; No. 6, \$6.75 box; No 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box; No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount off above list prices, 45 per cent.

PAINTS, OILS, ETC-Business has quieted down on nearly all lines. Linseed oil has advanced another ic in the east and is now quoted at 49 to 50c for boiled at Montreal. Castor oil and seal oil are also higher east. Castor oil has been very strong of late and has been advancing steadily. Refined petrol-eum has advanced sharply in the States this week, in the speculative market. Prices here are:

WHITE LEADS.—Pure, ground in oil, association guarantee, 5.25 to \$5.50 per 100-lbs white lead, assorted 1 to 5-lb. tins, per lb., 9c.

PREPARED PAINTS .- Pure liquid colors,

per gallon, \$1.15 to \$1.25.

DRY COLORS.-White lead, per lb., 7c; red lead, krgs 5½c; yellow ocre in barrel lots, 2½c; less than barrels, 3c; golden ocre, barrels, 3½c; less than barrels 4c; Venetian, red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 3½c; American vermillion, 15c; English vermillion, \$1 per lb., Paris green, 18 to 19c; Canadian metalic oxides, harrel lots 21c; less than harrel lots 21c; barrel lots 2½c; less than barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, 100 lb. kegs, 4c; less, than kegs, 41c lb.

VARNISHES. - No. 1 furniture, per gal., \$1, extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.50, elasticoak, \$1.50 to \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$1.50 to\$1.75; hard oil finish, 1.50to \$2; brown Japan, \$1; goldsizo Japan, \$1.50; No. 1, orango shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50.

SUNDRIES —Glue, S.S., in sheets, per lb.,

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WINDOW GLASS.—1st break is quoted at \$1.75 per box of 50 feet and \$2 for second break.

LINSEED OIL.—Raw, per gal., 52c, boiled, per gal., 55c in barrels; less than barrels 5c per gallon extra, with additional charges for

TURPENTINE.—Pure spirits, in barrels, per gallon, 58c; less than barrels, per gallon, 58c. An additional charge for packages for small quantities.

OILS .- Rango about as follows: Black oils. Oils.—Rango about as follows: Black oils, 25 to 30c per gallon; clear machine oils, 33 to 40c; cylinder oil, 50 to 75c, as to quality; castor oil, 10c per lb.; lard oil, 70c per gal.; tanner's or harness oil, 65c; neatsfoot oil, 81.20; steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter blackled group oil \$2 per gallon bleached sperm oil, \$2 per gallon.

REFINED PETROLEUM.—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 211c; croscont, 211c; ophone, 261c in barrels. In car lots 2c per gallon discount is allowed off prices in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 81c for cocene and 27c for sunlight.

RAW FURS.—There are very few taw furs coming in yet, and those so far received have not been prime, though a few fresh skins were of good quality, and most skins taken after this date will be either prime or very nearly so. Prices are irregular yet and are rather on the low side.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT - GENERAL SITUATION - Wheat has been irregular this week, but on the whole the markets have been very strong and prices have averaged about 8c higher than last week in leading United States markets. An important feature is the strong cash market in the west, indicating active buying market in the west, indicating active buying of spot wheat by millers and others. Minneapolis spot market is very strong, millers evidently being strong buyers. Receipts at Duluth have also fallen off very largely, owing no doubt to the easier money market since the elections which carely market since the elections, which enables dealers to hold wheat at interior points. Some unfavorable reports were circulated regarding the Argentine crop, where harvesting will be general in about a month. Ausing will be general in account interesting the training crop advices are unfavorable, and there is no improvement in India. There has been good foreign buying in United States markets. Some increased estimates of the last Russian crop were made. Yester-day New York was stronger than Chicago, the price there touching 90 to for December, the highest point this year for that market. To-day, United States markets are off about 1c. There was a moderate increase in United States and Canadian stocks last week. Exports of wheat, flour included as wheat, from both coasts of United States and from Montreal amount to 4,834,515 bushels this week, the heaviest's total since second week of Sept., 1893. This is an increase of about ,20°,000 bushels over last week, of more than 1,300,000 bushels over the corresponding week one year ago, more than 1.700,000 bushels as compared with like week in 1891, a gain of about 2,000,000 bushels as compared with corresponding week of 1893, and of more than 700,000 bushels as contrasted with like week of 1892.

WHEAT-LOCAL SITUATION .- Prices have been considerably higher and very irregular in Manitoba country markets this week, prices paid to farmers for best samples of hard wheat varying at different points and on different days from 65 to 75c, while at a few markets prices ranging up to 80 to 90c were paid, and in a few cases over 90c was paid. Of course these extreme prices only lasted for a short time at any one point, but the fact that such prices have been reached, shows how wild the market has been here, and this has been about the situation here all this season. Notwithstanding these high prices, in some cases being even higher than prices at Chicago, the farmers show a disposition to hold their wheat, and it is believed that considerable wheat in store is held by farmers still. Deliveries at country points have been larger this week, and a fair movement to lake ports has kept up, but shipments east of the lakes have been very light on this crop and the great bulk of the crop marketed is still held at Lake Superior ports and interior points. Fort William is filling up. The receipts of wheat at Fort William last wock were 701,870 bushels while the ship-ments therefrom, amounted to only 369,217 bushels, leaving a balance in store of 2,522,-956 bushels. At this rate it looks as though there might be a blockade. Only a short time new remains to ship out before the close of navigation, and if the holding process is continued two or three weeks longer, the grain will have to remain until spring. Prices in the Winnipeg market have varied with United States markets. The lowest price touched here was on Thursday morning, after the break of Wedneslay in United States markets, when sales were made at 824 for No. 1 hard, aftest Fort William, and it is said 820 was accepted. The previous day (Wednesday) 834c was made for No. 1 hard, and yesterday (Friday) 81c was realized for No. 1 hard, aftest Fort William. To-day the local market is decidedly weaker, on the local market is decidedly weaker, on the break at United States points and sales were made here at 82c this morning and later 814. was accepted for No. 1 hard, affoat Fort William, No. 2 hard, Sc under No. 1. No. 8 hard about 5c under No. 2.

FLOUR-The local market has been in an unsatisfactory state and somewhat difficult to report, owing to irregular prices. Each mill has a price of its own, and quotations vary widely, from \$2.80 net for patents up to \$2.45, and from \$2.10 not for bakers up to \$2.25. A report came from Montreal on Monday that Manitoba flour had been advanced 25c per barrel there, and a similar report came from Toronto on the same day. Here one of the mills quoted an advance of 10c on Monday, but other mills have not followed yet. Further orders from Australia are reported.

MILLSTUFFS.—There is no change in bran and shorts. City mills are selling at \$7 per ton for bran and \$9 for shorts, delivered in the city. in small lots. These prices do not include sacks. Larger orders have been filled at \$6 and \$8 per ton.

OATS-Prices continue to be held very firm locally, and the market here is much above an export basis. Some dealers appear to believe that there is a shortage in the crop lieve that there is a succession they are below home requirements, and they are storing rather than cut present prices. There is a great scarcity of oats fit for milling in the new crop, the quality being so light and chaffy: Car lots on track here have been quoted from 21c per bushel of 31 pourds for common feed quality up to 28c for choice white. Some have been placed in store here rather than sell at under 25 cents for No 2 mixed, 24 to 211c having been offered. In Manitoba country markets about 15 to 16c is paid to farmers, and 20c to farmers in Winnipeg, local farmers' offerings being poor quality. In Southern Manitoba there are no oats offering and the crop there appears to have been very light. In Ontario the oat crop is large and prices are low.

BARLEY—There has been no business done in barley. Not a single car lot heard of yet. A few farmers' loads of barley of feed quality have been taken here at about 20c per bushel of 48 pounds, and brewers are paying the same for malting grades, but there is scarcely any offering.

FLAX SEED.—The prices quoted to farmers is still 45 to 50c per bushel for good milling

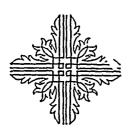
GROUND FEED .- Prices range from \$10 to \$15 per ton, as to quality, the top price for rolled oat feed. Ordinary mixed mill feed is held at \$12 to \$18 per ton. Anything under \$12 would be damaged wheat and mixed grains.

OATMEAL .- Prices are very firm owing to the high price of oats and the scarcity of oats fit for milling in the new crop. Following are prices in large lots, with small lots to retail dealers held about loc Rolled oatmeal in 80 lb sacks \$1.50 more. per sack; standard, \$1.55 and granulated \$1.60 in 98 lb sacks. Rolled wheat, \$0 lbs, \$1.60. Pot barley, \$1.70 in round lots.

OIL CARE.—Oil cake holds at \$10 per ton, including bags, for nutted or ground meal.

BEANS.—Some car lots have recently come in from Ontario. They have sold in large luts to jobbers at about \$1.10 per bushel.

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BUTTER—Basiness is now confined mainly to dairy grades, for which there has been a demand for choice goods at about 16 to 18c in a jobbing way, and about the same for fresh rolls, when nicely packed and of good quality. Dairy in round lots has sold at 12 to 15c as to quality.

CHEESE. - Quiet The weather is now frosty to ship. We quote the jobbing price at 9 to 9½c as to quality.

EGGS.—Prices to higher again, and dealers are now paying 18c here for receipts.

POULTRY—Dressed poultry is now coming forward fairly freely. Prices are rather easier. Prices are, chickens, 7 to 8c per 1b; turkeys, 10 to 12c per 1b; ducks and gees, 9 to 10c per 1b. In game, wild ducks bring 20 to 30c per pair, the latter price for large varieties; and rabbits, 5c each.

LAND—Prices are: Pure \$1.60 for 20 lb. pails, and \$4.00 for 50 lb. pails; pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$5.75 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 8c pound; cases of 30, one lb. tins, \$3.25.

CURED MEATS. — Smoked meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 11½c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 11c: do., backs, 10c; short spiced rolls. 7½c shoulders, 7½c smoked long clear, 8½ cents; Fancy clear, 8½ cents; Dry salt meats are quoted; Long clear bacon, 6½c per lb: shoulders, 6½c; backs, 8c; barrel pork, clear mess \$13.50; short cut, \$16.00; rolled shoulders, \$14 per barrel. Pork sundries, fresh sausage, 7c: bologna sausage, 6c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 8c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 30c lb.

DRESSED MEATS.—A few country dressed hogs are now coming. The general price for good beef is 4½ to 4½c. Mutton is quoted at 5½ to 6c. 5½c being the usual price. Dressed lambs, 5½ to 6½c: dressed hogs range from 4½ for rough heavy up to 5c for choice light. Packers are buying mostly at 4½ to 4½c.

HIDES—Prices have been higher again this week, a further advance of he having been established. Prices have advanced in the States since the elections, and Toronto advanced he this week to 7c there for green hides. Here prices are somewhat irregular, but 6c appears to have been about the general price the last few days, though some quote 5h to 6c for No. 1. On the other hand 6h has been paid and it is said that even 6h was paid for a few hides, while again some rough farmers' take off have been bought at 5c all around, without inspection. Frezen hides are usually bought flat, or at a given price all around, as they cannot readily be inspected. We quote. Hides, green cured, No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5c; No. 3, 4c; calf, 8 to 15c lb. skins, 4 to 6c per lb.; dehins 10 to 20c each, kips 1 to 6c. sheepskins range all the way from 15 to 40c, according to quality, but the average is about 20 to 80c each. Horschides, 75c to \$1.25.

WOOL-Wool markets are firmer. In the States prices are higher. We quote 7 to 8c here for unwashed fleece.

TALLOW Dealers are paying Sic for No. 1 tallow and 21 to 3c for undergrades. Rough tallow 2c.

SINEGA ROOT - Prices continue firm. Up to 22c has been paid for some lots. We quote 20 to 22c per 1b for dry root.

HAY-Held at about \$5 per ton for baled prairie on track here. Demand very slow.

VEGETABLES. -Prices are firmer: Price are: Potatoes 25c bus., some sold 2 to Sc lower. Onions 1c lb, carrots, 25c bus., beets, 25c bus., turnips, 15c, parsnips, 60c bus., celery, 25c dozen, cabbage 20c dozen. These are prices dealers buy at from market gaidners,

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE.—Prices are about the same. Loads of good butchers' have sold at 2½ to 2½, and we quote from 1½ to 2½c, as to quality, for butchers'. The top quotation would be paid only for picked animals, about 3c is the top price paid for export cattle. The export movement will keep up for some time yet, as there are quite a number of cattle to go out. Ocean space is scarce and freights high.

SHEEP—There is no change in sheep, and choice lambs are scarce. Car lots for the local market have sold at 2½c here, for mixed sheep and lambs. A real good bunch, of lambs would bring possibly 3c.

Hogs.—There is no change in hogs. We quote: Good bacen stock weighing 150 to 300 pounds 3½c. Sows and heavy hogs 2½ to 3½c, according to quality. Stags 1½ to 2½c, off cars here.

Cows. -The demand for new milkers is not so great. A good cow will bring \$30.

The Live Stock Markets.

At London on November 9, cattle were lower and prices declined 1c to 3c as compared with a week ago, due to heavy supplies. Chice United States sold at 101c, and Canadians at 91c. The trade in sheep was firmer, and prices are unchanged at 10c.

A private cable from London quoted choice United States cattle at 11c, Canadians at 10, ranchers at 9c, and sheep at 10c.

At the East End Abattoir market at Montreal on November 9, says the Gazette, the attendance of buyers was larger than usual, and as the supply of cattle was smaller there was a better feeling. Holders of good stock in some cases asked higher prices early in the day, but when they saw that buyers did not intend to pay them the came down in their ideas. Good to choice beeves sold at 3c to 3½c, and in a few instances as high as 3½c was realized for really prime stock. Fair to common cattle brought 2½ to 2¾c, and inferior 1½c to 2c per 1b. live weight. Sheep were picked up for shipment at 2½c per 1b, live weight, while butchers paid 52 to \$2.25 each for culls. The market for lambs was firmer. Choice sold at 3½c to 3½c; good at 3c to 3½c rer 1b, and common at \$1 to \$1.50 cach. At the Point St. Charles market holders would not accept the bids made for cattle, no sales were made. The receipts of hogs were 200, which met with a fair sale at 3½c to 4c per 1b. live weight.

The Montreal Gazette says. We understand that shippers have been operating freely in the country in buying sheep with the view of continuing shipments through the winter, by way of Boston, Portland and St. John, N. B. The feature of the week has been the strong feeling in the ocean freight market, and rates for cattle have advanced fully 2s 6d per head. Recent engagements have been made at 55s to Liverpool and London and 45s to Glasgow, without insurance. Horse rates have also had a sharp advance of 10s to £1 per head, with recent engagements to Liverpool and Glasgow at £5, and to London at £1. In view of the above, and the fact that space-room is limited nere for the balance of the season, shippers in some cases have been compelled to find another port, and freight for sheep from Boston has been engaged at a decidedly lower rate than is obtainable from this port.

A car load of horses was shipped last week from Portage la Prairie, Man., to Belgium. The horses were purchased from farmers in the Portage district and were selected on account of their suitability for the Belgium cavalry.

At the semi weekly live stock market at Toronto on Nov. 10, export cattle were nominal at 3½ to 3½c, but there were scarcely any offered. Choice butchers sold at 3c, and down to 2c for common. Some very good cattle sold at 2½c. Shipping sheep sold at 1½ to 3c, bucks, 2c, lambs 3 to 3½c. Butchers sheep were slow at about \$2.50 each. Hogs were a shado lower. Best bacon sold at 3½c heavy at 3½c, sows, 3c, light fat, 3½ to 5½c.

At Chicago, on Nov. 13, hogs were in good demand and prices 5c higher. Sales ranged at \$3.05 to \$3.65, with the bulk of transac-

tions at \$3.85 to \$3.50.

Joe. Cusson, butcher, has opened business at Rat Portage.

Harry Nichelson, tailor, Port Arthur, has

E. Nicholson, Winnipeg, Agent for the Canada Jute Co., reports very large sales of bags to the flour mills lately, indicating that they are making a large output.

A. Congdon, Winnipeg, agent for the Dolgo felt shoes, reports the sale of these goods one-third greater than last year. If the present demand keeps up, stocks will be reduced very low.

The coal discovered at Sudbury, Ontario. is officially declared to be not coal but anthraxolite. It will have some local value as fuel, but will not compete with good coal.

Winnipeg Clearing House

Clearings for the week ending Nov. 14 were 2,174,127: balances, 272,478. For the previous week clearings were 2,403,968. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were 1,981,395 and for the week two years ago, 1,650,810. Clearings for the month of Oct. were \$7,585,472, compared with \$7,911,958 for October, 1895, and \$6,786,780 for October, 1894. Clearances for all Canadian cities the week ended November 12 were as follows:

| Montreal | \$13,462,176 |
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| Toronto | 8,499,205 |
| Halifax | 1,242,378 |
| Winnipeg | 2,174,127 |
| Hamilton | 678,140 |
| St. John | 555.867 |

Bank clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax amount to \$26,006,000 this week, an increase of about \$1,800,000 as compared with last week, a very moderate increase over the corresponding totals one and two years ago.

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H. G. Wilson. H. H. Brck.

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This company has been organized and incorporated under the Ontario Joint Stock and Mining Acts of Parliament, with full powers to buy sell or otherwise acquire or dispose of mining properties within that province, also to lease, hold develop or operate such properties, and generally to carry on the business of mining, smelting and other necessary undertakings, and to acquire or dispose of any real estate or other property necessary for the carrying on of such operations.

The principal aim of this company is to acquire mining properties in a partially or wholly undeveloped state, and to apply its capital and the efforts of its directorate to the purchase and for the development of such properties to a state where they can be confidently placed upon the market as valuable mining properties. For this purpose stock to the value of \$350,000 face value For this purwill be set aside for foregoing purposes, and the first block of \$200,000, in 200,000 shares of one dollar each, will be ple id on the market almost immediately at * 1 cents per share fully paid up and non-asses ablo.

Applications for allotment of shares should be made without delay to the secretary of the Company, H. S. Crotty, Main Street, Winnipeg. Further information can be had by application to the Secretary.

The company have already acquired option on a valuable gold claim of 80 acres on the Lake of the Woods, the development of which they propose to proceed with without delay In addition to this they have secured options on two other properties in the same district. and also a group of several claims in Seine River district.

The company is now securing powers to operate in the province of British Columbia, where they have already purchased one very promising gold location in the Trail Creek section of West Knotenay, in the same locality as some of the best gold producing mines of that rich section.

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(2) THE TRANSFER OF THE MAILS as may be required between the small trains arriving at and departing from the Wanney, Canadian Pacific Railway station.

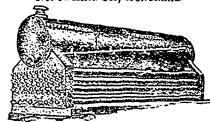
Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contracts may be seen and blank forms of tender obtained at the Winnipeg Postoffice and at this city. at this office

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British Columbia Business Review.

Vancouver, Nov.10, 1896.

There has been practically no change in the market. The promised raise in grain has at this writing really not taken place although hay is selling in Victoria at \$12 and wheat is scarce and said to be worth \$30 ton. Oats are being held by farmers for higher prices. Again higher prices all round are being predicted for next week. Vancouver butter has jumped three cents since the last market report, which has hardened the prices for the imported article. There has been an eighth of a cent decline in the price of sugar. Apples are coming in from Ontario of sugar. Apples are coming in from Ontario so fast that it is feared that the local apples will not only be crowded out but that the eastern apples will be a glut on the market. They can be bought here now for \$3.75 a barrel.

British Columbia.

Joseph Irwin, merchant, New Denver, has assigned.

H. T. Green, fish, etc., New Westminster, has sold out to T. Pinnick.

Adam McKay, hotel keeper, Three Forks, is dead.

The stock of Major & Eldridge, wholesale produce, Vancouver, has been sold to W. Templeton.

Ledingham Bros., carriage makers, Victoria, have dissolved, R. L. Ledingham retires.

The last consignment of fruit from Australia came in by the Miowera on her last trip. It consisted chiefly of oranges and lemons. An official of the company informed your correspondent that the new Canadian | ster, has been incorporated.

Australian liner would be running on the route in March next ...

At a meeting of the fruit growers of British Columbia, the secretary informed those present that losses had been made on fruits shipped by the co-operative society owing it is said in a measure to the unprecedently large shipment of custorn apples Coastward and the competition from the Sound. A lesson should certainly be taken in packing from the Sound shippers whose tasty fruit consignments are the admiration of British Columbians.

The contract has been let for the construction of an automatic can factory to be built in Westminster to D. Bain. The company will manufacture salmon cans and other tin supplies, which have hitherto been imported, and will no doubt supply all British Columbia. The buildings will be 250 by 90 feet and the sides and roof will be of corrugated iron. Opperations will be commenced by the middle of next January.

It was thought that salmon ova would be scarce this year owing to the sockeyes not having reached the old spawning ground in such large numbers as usual, but Mr. McNab, such large numbers as usual, but air. McNao, fishery inspector for B. C., has been agreeably surprised by not only gotting all he wants for the hatchery, some 7,500,000, but ascertaining that the spawn in the small streams

taining that the spawn in the small streams is about as large as usual. So that all is in readiness for this big run next year,

The four-story furniture factory of Hibner & Co., of Berlin, Ontario, employing about one hundred men, was destroyed by fire on Nov. 12, involving a loss of about \$70,000, with insurance amounting to \$25,000.

The Pleace Hardware Co., Nanaimo, has been incorporated.

The Colonial Canning Co., New Westmin-

Reid & Currie, iron works, New Westminstee, are succeeded by H. Beck.

Harrock & Co., tobacconists, Rosslaud, have sold out to S. B. Shaw.

The stock of the Slocan Store Co., Ltd., general store, Three Forks, is advertised for sale.

Henry Collins, dry goods, Vancouver, has assigned.

M. G. McLeod, hotel, has sold out to Francis J. Lytho.

The Vancouver Investment Co., has been incorporated.

The British Columbia Cold Storage and Ice Works, Victoria, has been sold out to Patton & Son.

White & Sloan, restaurant, Victoria, have dissolved. Wm. White continues.

Convicted of Fraudulent Assignment.

John Samuel Douglas, dealer in furs and hoots and shoes, Winnipeg, who assigned about a year ago, and who was shortly afterward arrested for defrauding his creditors, has been found guilty. The trial came off at the Winnipeg, assizes last week by a jury.

Assiniboia.

Major Charles A. Bell, proprietor of the Wodbine hotel, Whitewood, Assa., is dead. He had beed ill for about two weeks with a general break up of the constitution.

Charles Sheldon, Maple Creek, livery, has sold out to J. Quesnell.

Thomas Meredith, Yorkton, furniture, etc., has sold furniture branch to W. D. Dunlop. J. G. Thornton, Yorkton, general store keeper, has moved to Rossland, B. C.



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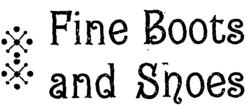
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Following were the quantities of the various furs offered at Limpson & Co.'s sale: Austr'n opos'm, 350,000 Woinbat, 38,000 Red fox, 2,500 Lynx, 2,000 Wallaby, 45,000 Kangaroo, 2,000 Otter, 7,000 Wild cat, 2,000 RECCOON, 20,000 House cat, 2,000
Bears, black, brown and grizzly, 4,000
Marten, 5,000 Jananese Japanese marten,

8,000 Kolinshy, 15,000 Mink, 12,000 Stone marten, 1,000 Baum marten, 12,000 Beaver, 1,000 Nutria, 900 Russian fable, 3,000 Jap'use sable, 3,300 Kid rugs, 500 Grebe, 2,000 Japanese (ox, 25,000 Japanese mink, 10,000 Chinchilla, 3,000 Guanaco, 400 Japanese badger, 3,000 Bas. d chinchilla, 40,000 Mongolian Jamb, 4,000 Tribet lamb, 16,000

Thibet lamb crosses and coats, 300 Mongolian lamb crosses and coats, 250 Tigers and leopards, 100.

Freight Rates and Traffic Matter.

The Canadian Pacific Railway company announce that, commencing Monday, Nov. 2, winter rates will be established on general merchandise, etc., from Toronto and points west to points east of Toronto; also from Montreal, etc., west bound. This change will not effect lake and rail rates to upper lake ports of call and to Manitoba and the West, which will continue in force until the close of navigation from Owen Sound. Summer rates on apples, butter, cheese and eggs to Montreal will also remain in force until November 30.

At a recent meeting of the council of the Montreal board of trade, president Bickerdike stated that the replies of the general managers of the Grand Trunk and Canadian

Pacific Railway Companies to the board's delegation, were unfaverable to the request that the winter freight rates should be postponed. Mr Hays, general manager of the Grand Trunk, told the deputation that he could not possibly think of acceding to the request of our merchants to postpone the date for carrying int. effect the winter rates to November 19th. He gave as a reason that the summer rates were unprofitable to the railways, owing to the competition they had to contend with from the inland water carriers, and that in order to reap some comcarriers, and that in order to reap some compensation during the winter term they intended to put their winter freights into force as early as possible, and that in the future they will go into effect at the beginning of November, the same as this year. Mr. Shaughnessy, of the Canadian Pacific Railway agreed with Mr. Hays, and thus the matter may be considered finally settled.

F. W. Peters, local freight agent at Winnipeg, of the Canadian Pacific for the past seven years, has been appointed district freight agent for the company in charge of the Kootenay district and will have head-quarters at Nelson.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says 800,000 bushels of wheat were engaged at Fort William for Montreal by the Montreal Transportation Company, the quoted through rates being 63 to 7c per bushel.

Live Stock Items.

Burns & Duggan, of Calgary, are shipping cattle weekly into the Keotenay country for beet.

The Macleod Gazette says: "A train load of horses is now on its way from Washington state to France, where they will be slaughtered and sold for food. All through the west there are thousands of horses weighing from 700 to 1,100 lbs, that can be bought for from \$5 to \$10 per head. They are too good to kill off and too expensive to keep alive. If the railways east of Chicago would give the same rates for export horses as for cattle, as the western roads do, the trade would be a pay-ing one from the start. If this were done, and a market with France established, Alberta would soon supplement its fat steer business with choice cayuse roasts and tender broncho steaks, for horses can be raised on the plains at half the price per pound that it costs to raise beef.

J. Y. Griffin & Co., pork packers, Winnipeg, have issued the following circular to live stock shippers: "Wheat being somewhat higher than last season, feed wheat may also range higher, but barley is still so low that it cannot be shipped ou Some farmers may think it advisable to lessen the quantity of hogs they have been raising. You might advise them that this would be a mistake. Why? Because there will be a rush into wheat growing and likely a very large quantity will be raised next season, and the general opinion is that present high prices will not continue long, and chances are, next season will see an extremely large quantity of cheap feed, and the farmer who figures on having something to feed it to each and every year will, without any doubt, prove to be the successful farmer of Manitoba. This is something you are equally interested in along with the farmers and pork packers, and you should not lose a chauce to do all you can to further the hog industry in the province. Also impress on them the necessity of selling their hogs when they are ready for market, as with the facilities now available for pork packing, packers are buyers every week in the year, and this is the most profitable to the farmer. It is true prices have been rather on the low side this season, but have not all products of the farm been equally low? In fact, the price of hogs has held up berhaps better than any other commodity, I Established 1874.

and if there is a general revival in trade which seems quite likely, no doubt it will have the same effect on hogs that it does on other products."

At the semi-weekly market at Toronto on Nov. 6, prices were easy. Some poor lots of cattle sold as low as \$10 per lb. live weight, which is the lowest price on record at Toronto. The general range was from 2½ to 2½0 for good butcher's stock. Hogs were weak at 8½ to 3½0 for best bacon, heavy fat, 81.0

Dairy Trade Notes.

J. Bousfield, of the Hamiota creamery says: "I believe that the greatest source of discouragement to both patron and maker is imperfect skimming, many of the patrons not getting more than half the cream out of the milk. Some say that they do not care as the calves and pigs get it. To illustrate this loss I will tell you that we spilled 100 inches of cream one day, the pigs took it all at one feed and in three hours were as, hungry as ever and quite unconscious that they had had a \$15 blow-out, 50 cents worth of shorts would have been just as good for them. Of course this is wasteful, but is it worse than for farmers to feed the animals half their butter through careless skimming? They might better feed meal or flour or even sugar. In most cases there can be much improvement in the plans commonly used, and with strict care a good separation can be made, but there is no doub; that for this country the farmer's hand separator is the right thing, it costs a good deal but unlike most other implements it can be used every day in the year. A good many have been waiting in the hope that prices would be lower through the removal of the duty, and now with the change of government this will likely be settled before spring."

Boots and Shoes and Leather.

The price of sole leather in New York and Boston has been advanced another cent per pound, and there is a strong upward tendency, owing to the large foreign demand.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says Owing to the firm state of the leather market and the probability of the late advance in prices being maintained, manufacturers of boots and shoes have found it imperative to mark up their prices on staple lines 5 to 10 per cent., the finer descriptions of goods remaining unchanged, although it is thought that these will have to be advanced later on."

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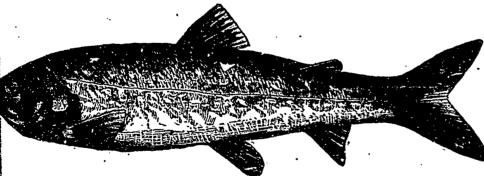
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Oanada's Foreign Trade.

Canada's foreign trade for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, is shown by the returns to the customs department, shortly to be published in the blue book known as the trade and navigation tables. The total figures for 1896 are best given in comparison with other years:

Year Exports Imports Ag. Trade 1896 3121.018,852 \$118,011,000 \$299,021,852 1895 . 113,688,803 110.781,682 224,420,485 1894 . 117,524.919 129,474,940 241,000,000 1893 . 118,564,852 129,074,268 247.638,620 1892 . 118,968,875 127,406,068 241,869,448

This shows for 1896 and increase in total trade over 1895 of nearly \$15,000,000 and a decline of \$2 000,000 below 1891. The experts are the largest in the history of Confederation, which speaks well for the stability of our natural resources in fish, lumber, minerals and agriculture. The above are total imports. The following table shows the value of goods imported and entered for consumption, and the duty paid:

| | For | | |
|------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Year | Consum'n | Dutiable | Duty |
| 1896 | .3110,587,480 | \$67,239,759 | \$20,197,345 |
| 1395 | 105 252,000 | 58,557,000 | 17,787,269 |
| 1894 | . 113,093,000 | 62,779,000 | 19,379,822 |
| 1893 | . 121 705,000 | 69.878,000 | 21.161.710 |
| 1892 | 116 978,000 | 69,160,000 | 20.550.581 |

This shows the average rate of duty to have been 30.8. In 1895 it was 30.5, and in 1891 it was 30.8. The last year of the old tariff was 1891. Here is further evidence that the revision of 1894 was not intended to relieve the people of any burdens. At all events it didn't. The value of free goods imported was as follows:

| 1896 | . \$48.847.721 |
|------|----------------|
| 1895 | |
| 1894 | |
| 1893 | . 51,831,459 |
| 1892 | 47,818,206 |

Lest those who think an excess of exports is a blessing should rush to the conclusion that the balance of trade in 1896 was in Canada's favor it should be stated that the exports, the produce of Canada, amounted in 1896 to \$109,915,837, as against the imports of \$110,587,000 entered for consumption.

OUR BEST CUSTOMERS.

The following table shows how much of Canadian exports was taken by Great Britain and the United States for the past five years:

| Year | Great Britain | U.S. |
|------|---------------|---------------|
| 1896 | \$66,689,253 | \$39,750,201 |
| 1895 | 61,856,900 | 41,297,676 |
| 1891 | 68,538,856 | 85,809,000 |
| 1893 | | 48,928,010 |
| 1892 | | 988, 988, 000 |

Of our total exports, therefore, of \$121,-000,000 these two countries took \$106,000,-000, 88 per cent. The other important

countries to which we sent our goods were as follows:

| Country | 1896 | 1895 |
|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| West Indies | .\$2,810.000 | \$3,725,000 |
| Newfoundland | . 1,782,030 | 2,825,000 |
| Australasia | . 517,000 | 417,000 |
| Germany | . 757,000 | 626,000 |
| France | . 581,000 | 335.000 |
| China and Japan | . 659.000 | 378,000 |

The exports to the West Indies are the smallest since 1890. The exports to France in 1891 were \$545.000. The treaty with France came into force October 14, 1895.

WHO WE BOUGHT FROM.

The imports entered for consumption from Great Britain and the United States last year and the preceding four years were as follows:

| Year | Great Britain | U. S. |
|------|----------------|--------------|
| 1896 | . \$32,979,742 | \$58,574,024 |
| | . 81,131,780 | 51,631,520 |
| 1894 | . 37,717,260 | 53,034,000 |
| 1893 | . 43,148,410 | 58,221,960 |
| 1892 | 41,348,000 | 53,137,000 |

The duty collected on the \$32,979,000 of imports from Britain amounted to \$7,859,514, and on the \$38,574,000 of imports from the States it was \$7,767,992. British goods therefore paid 22.3 per cent. and American goods 18.3 per cent., or a difference in favor of American goods to the extent of 9 per cent.

For the year just closed Canada purchased from other countries compared with 1895:

| Country | 1896 | 1895 |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| G-rmany | \$5,931,459 | \$4,794,159 |
| France | 2,810,902 | 2.585,000 |
| China and Japan | 2,670,661 | 2.528,410 |
| West Indies | 1,895.741 | 4,956,000 |
| Newfoundland | | 739,350 |
| Anotrologio | 919,238 | |

TOTAL TRADE.

Canada's total trade with the chief countries trading with us for the year just closed compared with the year previous was as follows:

| Country | 1896 | 1895 |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Great Britain | \$99,668,995 | \$92 988,000 |
| United States | 98,821,225 | 95 932,000 |
| Germany | 6,668,990 | 5,421,185 |
| France | 3,392,442 | 2,920,450 |
| Newfourdland | | 3,065,000 |
| West Indies | 4,705,741 | 8,681,000 |
| China and Japan | 8,830,33s | 2,906,574 |

This trade is on the basis of total exports and goods entered for consumption. The falling off in the trade with the West Indies is extraordinary. Over 80 per cent. of our total trade with the world was done with two countries, Great Britain and the United States. The total trade with the United States was greater than in any year since Confederation, excepting one, 1893. All the above figures for 1896 are subject to correction before they appear officially in the blue book,—Globe.

Short Tea Crop.

The Montreal Gazette says: "There has been considerable activity in the market during the past few days, and a large volume of business has been transacted. The tone is very firm with an upward tendency. A leading feature of it has been the buying of low grade new crop Japans on New York account. A buyer, representing one of the leading houses in the above place, has been here this week and offered to buy all the low grade to sell and he only managed to pick up 1,000 packages at 14c. Another strong feature of the market has been the buying of low grade Young Hysons from English houses for prompt shipment here, and we understand that some large quantities have been sold at 3d to 4d, or the equivalent of 8: to 10c.

Recent advices from New York are of a a very strong nature, and note an advance of 10 to 15 per cent. in the price of all common grade Japans. There is little fear of a tea famine, however, as the stock on hand in the United States is sufficient to supply the country for a year to come.

A cable from Shanghai says: "The entire visible supply of green teas of all sorts, both countrys and Pingsueys, is thirty-three per cent less than last year. Of Hankow and all northern district rongous there will be forty per cent. less come to the United States, as there has been a blight on the crop."

Advices from Amov say that there is a big shrinkage in the crop of Formosa colongs, and that the teas are of a low grade. The Amoy crop in 1894 was 95.000 half-chests, in 1895 it fell to 65,000, and this year the outlook is that there will not be more than 25,000 half-chests on the market.

Cables from Japan say that the crop of green teas will be about ten million pounds less than last year, and, as more than nine-tenths of this crop is sent to the United States, the supply will be fully 30 per cent. below that of last year.

Foochow colongs are short, too. The output will be 25,000 chests short of last year, and the prices in China are going up. Russians have cleared all the dust and siftings on the Foochow market, something unheard of before, and some say this action is a forerunner of a mild famine.

Bradstreets says of the United States wool markets: "The result of election has tended to harden values on all kinds of wool. Buyers have purchased considerable wool at the lower values ruling, and larger operators are now in position to wait until goods are sold. The price of territory wools are quoted at 31 to 32c. for scoured fine medium and fine, with choice staple lots at 33 to 35c. This is a sharp advance over two months ago, when the same wool was sold at 25 to 27c.

Wheat Stocks.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Nov. 7, 1896, shows an increase of 1,248.000 bushels, against an increase of 8,916,000 for the corresponding week last year, an increase of 1,193,000 bushels the corresponding week two years ago, and an increase of 2,653,000 bushels three

The following table shows the total visible supply of wheat at the end of the first trade week of each month for four years, as compiled by the Chicago board of trade and includes stocks at most important points of accumulation in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains. There are some important points not covered by this statement:

| | 1895. bushels. | 1894. bushels. | 1893. bushels. | 1892. bušhels. |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Jan. 2 | 88,581,000 | 80,229,000 | 81,238,000 | 45,907,000 |
| Feb. 5 | 83,378,000 | 79,883,000 | 81,393,000 | 43,161,000 |
| Mar. 4 | 78,765,000 | 75,569,000 | 79,088,000 | 41,559,000 |
| April 1 | 74,308,000 | 71,459,000 | 77,651,000 | 41,036,000 |
| May, 6 | 62,196,000 | 65,156,000 | 73,069,000 | 36,190,000 |
| June 3 | 52,229,000 | 59,394,000 | 71,080,000 | 27,910,000 |
| July 1 | 41,561,000 | 54.657,000 | 62,318,000 | 21,262,000 |
| Aug. 3 | 38,517,000 | 60,001,000 | 59,424,000 | 26,079,000 |
| Sept. 7 | 36,754,000 | 69,168,000 | 56,140,000 | 38,760,050 |
| Oct. 7 | 41,832,000 | 73,614,000 | 63,275,000 | 51,258,030 |
| Nov. 4 | 52,990,000 | 80,017,000 | 71,396,000 | 64,717,000 |
| Dec, 2 | 63,903,000 | 85,179,000 | 78,091,000 | 72,580,030 |

The following shows the visible supply by weeks, for four years:

| 1100110, 1 | or -our 3. | | | |
|--------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 1896. | 1895. | 1894 | 1893 |
| Jan. 4 | | | 79,953,000 | 81,786,000 |
| 11 | 68,945,000 | 88,615,000 | 80,438,000 | 82,080,030 |
| ii 18 | 67,988,000 | 85,288,000 | 80,382,000 | 82,227,000 |
| " 25 | 67,623,000 | 84,665,000 | 80,234,000 | 81,487,010 |
| Feb. 1 | 66,734,000 | 83,876.000 | 79,863,000 | 81,390,000 |
| ., 8 | 66,119,000 | 82,322,000 | 79,560,00) | 80,978,000 |
| 15 | 65,928,000 | 80,733,000 | 78,697,000 | 80,214,000 |
| 11 22 | 65,011,000 | 79,176,C00 | 77,957,000 | 79,453,000 |
| March1 | 64,089,000 | 78,761,000 | 75,589,000 | 79,039,000 |
| u _7 | 62,596,000 | 77.717,000 | 74,607,000 | 79,103,000 |
| n 14 | 62,123,000 | 76,873,000 | 73,359,010 | 79,020,000 |
| " 21 | 61,348,000 | 75,773,000 | 72,163,000 | 78,203,000 |
| ** 28 | 61,048,000 | 74,808,000 | 71,458,000 | 77,654,011 |
| April 4 | 60,322,000 | 72,703,000 | 70,782,000 | 77,293,000 |
| ii 11 | 59,330,000 | 70,497,000 | 69,217,000 | 76,096,000 |
| " 18 | 58,483,000 | 63,626,000 | 68,425,000 | 74,869,00) |
| 25 | 67'946,000 | 65,776,000 | 66,533,000 | 75,027,000 |
| May 2 | 55,519,000 | 62,196,000 | 65,156,000 | 73,069,003 |
| и 9 | 54,000,000 | 59.623,000 | 63,510,000 | 72,632,000 |
| n 16 | 53,116,000 | £6,481,00) | 62,011,000 | 71,528,000 |
| . 23 | 51,298,000 | 54,244,600 | 61,329,000 | 70,150,000 |
| u 30 | 50,340,000 | 52,220,000 | 59,391,000 | 70,367,000 |
| June 6 | 50,147,000 | 49,739,000 | 58,211,000 | 63,662,000 |
| и 13. | 49,488,000 | 47.717,000 | 57,105,000 | 66,375,000 |
| 20 | 48,819,000 | 46,225,000 | 65,852,000 | 63,031,000 |
| ., 27 | 47,880,000 | 44,581,000 | 61,657,100 | 0x 0.316,53 |
| July 4 | 47,199,000 | 43,359, 00 | 54,114,000 | 61,319,000 |
| n 11 | 47,220,C00 | 41,237,000 | 53,154,000 | 59,328,030 |
| 18 | 46,743,000 | 40,483,000 | 53,771,000 | 65,903,000 |
| 25 | 47,142,000 | 39,229,000 | 57,144,000 | 59,319,000 |
| Aug. 1 | 46,734,000 | 38,517,000 | 60,001,000 | 69,421,000 |
| # 8 | 46,429,000 | 37,639,000 | 62,321,0.0 | 68,889,000 |
| ıı 15 | 45,876,000 | £6,892,000 | 63,901,000 | 67,812,000 |
| 22 | 45,189,000 | 35,083,000 | 64,771,000 | 57,240,000 |
| 29 | 45,574,000 | 35,433,000 | 66,949,030 | 56,881,000 |
| Sept. 5 | 46,495,000 | 36,751,000 | 69,168,000 | 56,140,000 |
| . 12 | 47,602,000 | 38,092,000 | 69,214,000 | 57,331,000 |
| " 19 | 49,655,000 | 39,385,000 | 70, 189,000 | 68,693,000 |
| լ ս չ6 | 48,716,600 | 40,763,000 | 71,413,010 | 60,528,000 |
| Oct. 3 | £0,116,000 | 41,832,000 | 73,6.4,000 | 63 275,000 |
| ıı <u>10</u> | 52,434,000 | 44,481,000 | 75,074,000 | 65,239,00¢ |
| n 17 | 54,805,000 | 46,199,000 | 76,659,00.1 | 66,978,000 |
| a 24 | 67,296,030 | 60,486,000 | 78,190,000 | 60,327,993 |
| 31 | 18,630,000 | 52,990,000 | 89,027,050 | 71,396,000 |
| Nov. 7 | 69,923,000 | 66,936,000 | 81,220,000 | 74,052,000 |
| | | | | |

Bradstreet's report of stocks of wheat in Canada on October 31 is as follows:

| | Bushels. |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Montreal Toronto | 524,000 |
| Toronto | 230,000 |
| Kingston | 2,000 |
| Winnipeg | 243,000 |
| Winnipeg | 2,275,000 |
| Fort William, Port Arthur & | |
| Keewatin | 2,355,000 |

Total stocks in the United States and Canada as reported by Bradstreet's were as follows, on October 31, 1896

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|-------------------------------|------------|
| EEEst of the Mountains | 76,716,000 |
| Pacific Coast | 6,893,000 |
| Total stocks a year ago were: | bushels. |
| East of the Mountains | 75,837,000 |
| Pacific Coast | 9,651,000 |

Bradstreets report for the week ended Nov. 7, shows an increase of 1,931,000 bushels in stocks of wheat east of the mountains, making the total 78,647,000 bushels on the latter dato.

date.

Worlds stocks of wheat on November 1, 1896, (United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe) were 187,575,000 bushels, as compared with 153,633,000 bushels on Nov. 1, 1895; 178,682,000 on November 1, 1891; 172,825,000 on November 1, 1893, 154,272,000 on November 1, 1892; 183,641,000 on Nov. 1, 1891; 91,151,000 on November 1, 1893, and 109,117,000 bushels on Nov. 1, 1889, exclusive of flur. 1889, exclusive of flour.

Financial and Insurance Notes.

F. G. Cox, manager of the Central Canada Loan and Savings company, of Toronto, was in Winnipeg recently looking after the transfer of the business of the Permanent Mortgage and Trust company, which has been acquired by the former concern. The company has decided to erect a large block on Main street, Winnipeg, on the corner of Notre Dame street, south east side.

The Bank of Hamilton has opened a branch at Carman, Man.

James McGregor, of Montreal, manager of the Commercial Union Assurance company; for Canada, has left for home after a stay of some days in Winnipeg. The object of his visit was to recommend to the board of the company in England a successor to the late John Paterson, as manager for Manitoba and the Territories. Before departing Mr. McGregor intimated that he had recommend Fred J Nixon and J. C Waugh for the position. Buth gentlemen have been con-nected with the Commercial Union for some vears.

Trade With the Kootenay.

The Elmonton board of trade recently sent a commissioner to the Kootenay region to look into the prospects of trade with that section. In his rep rt he speaks as follows regarding the freight rates to Kosteny points, from the various sources of supply of produce:

The rate on grain and vegetables from Elmonton to all Kootenay points, except Rossland, is 50c per hundred. To Rossland 25c per hundred additional.

From Spokane in Washington State, to Kaslo, Nelson, Trail and Nakusp the tes are: Grain 25c per 100, hay 30c per 10, butter, in less than car lot 61c per 100, eggs, in less than car lots, packed in 80 dozen boxes, 62c per 100 lbs. To Sandon the rate is 10c per hundred additional from Kaslo. From trail to Rossland the rate is 25c per hundred additional over the narrow guage railway. As soon, however, as the Red Mountain railway, is completed this extra will be cut off the rate from Spokane to Rossland, but will remain on the rate from Edmonton to Rossland.

From Manitoba to all Kootenay points except Rossland the rate on grain and grain and vegetables is 65c per hundred.

From Vernon, an agricultural district in British Columbia, at the head of Okanagan lake, the rate on grain and vegetables to Nakusp and Robson is 25c per 100. To Nelson, Trail and Waneta 30c, and to Kootenay lake and Nakusp and Sandon railway points 40c.

The Canadian Pacific Railway rate from Edmonton to Vancouver on grain and vegetables is 35c and to Victoria 40c.

The following table is also given showing the quantity and value of imports to K otenay points from the United States for eleven months ending June 80, 1898:

| ļ · | Quantity. | Value |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Bacon and hams, 1bs, | 895,866 | \$35,586 |
| Hay, tons, | 2,085 | 20,599 |
| Oats, bushols; | 59,805 | 15,819 |
| Horses, | 405 | 11,688 |
| Flour, barrels, | 4,502 | 11,55 |
| Potatoes, lbs, | 25,836 | .7,857 |
| Butter, lbs, | 40,353 | 7,66 |
| Fresh vegetables, | • | 7,063 |
| Eggs, dozen, | 156,933 | 19,907 |
| Condensed milk, 1bs, | 176,718 | 16.639 |
| Shoep, | 8,955 | 6,96 |
| Fresh meats, 1bs, | 141,418 | 6.880 |
| Live hogs, 1bs, | r203,789 | 5,92 |
| Lard, lbs, | 57,418 | 8,970 |
| Poultry, | ., | 8,70 |
| Bran and mill feed, | | 1,90 |
| Salted ments, lbs, | 26,590 | 1,810 |
| Oatmeal, 1bs, | 67,777 | 1,613 |
| Pickles, gallons, | 2,628 | 1,181 |
| Fresh mutton & lamb, lbs; | 15,633 | 1,050 |
| Wheat, bush , | 2,054 | 95. |
| Horned cattle, | 88 | 6 ₀ 0 |
| Barley, bush., | 618 | 685 |
| Cheese, 1bs, | 4 453 | 500 |
| Honey, lbs, | 4,053 | 537 |
| Hops, lbs, | 1,838 | 181 |
| arolo, root | -,000 | 101 |

Total value

\$826,231

Nearly all the items enumerated above are such as can be produced in Manitoba and the Territories, and this large import from the United States shows what we are losing in trade with the Kootenay.

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

The most important change was a drop of 2c in wheat. Hogs were 1 to 1c lower.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat-About 88c to 40c for No. 1 hard, country points, to farmers, and 55 to 56c affoat Fort William.

Flour - Local price, per sack, Patents, \$1.85; Bakers, \$1.65.

Bran.—Per tan. \$10

Shorts.-Per ton, \$12.

Oats,-Per bushel, Winnipeg street price, 16 to 17c.

Barley-A few loads sold at 18c to 21c. Flax Seed. -60 to 65c to farmers at country

points. Butter.-Dairy round lots 13c to 15c Cheese.—Jobbing price 71 to 8c.

Eggs.—Fresh, 18c. Beef.—City dressed, 4 to 4½c.

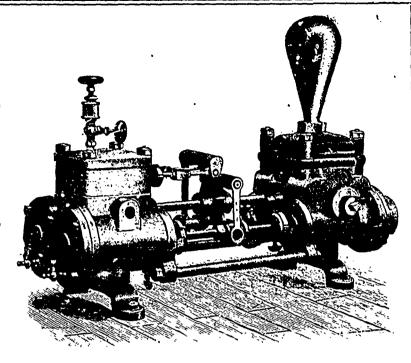
Mutton.—Fresh, 51 to 6c; lamb.51 to 6c.

Mutton.—Fresh, 5½ to 6c; lamb.5½ to 6c. Hugs.—Dressed, 5c. Cattle.—Butchers' 2 to 2½c. Export 2¾ to 8c. Hugs.—Live, off cars, 4c. Sheep.—Sheep and lambs 2½ to 2¾c off cars. Seneca Root.—Dry 18 to 2⊍c lb. Poultry.—Chickens, 7 to 9c lb; turkeys, 10c; ducks and geese, 8 to 9c. Hides.—No. 1 cows, green salted weak at 5½c Wool.—Unwashed fleece, 10 to 12c. Potatoes.—15 to 18c per bushel. Hay.—\$5.50 to \$6 per ton, car lots.

There is great activity in Vancouver, B.C., over mining stocks, and it is probable that for the convenience of sellers and buyers, a mining exchange will be started. The mine creating the greatest attention in Vancouver just now is the Bondholder. The stock was placed on the market a short time ago at ten cents, but in a few days advanced to 15, and there is every indication that it will soon be out of its teens. The ore of the Bondholder is exceedingly rich in silver, the native metal sticking out in little chunks all over its surface.

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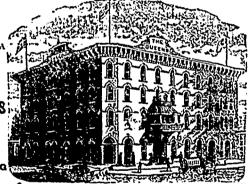
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London Fur Sales.

Phillips, Politzer & Co. report as follows on the October fur sales.

Although the accumulation of stocks and slow sales during the summer months caused some uncasiness in the for trade, we are glad to be able to report a favorable change during the last few weeks. Of the medium and the lower grade of goods large quantities have been cleared, and manufacturers hold small stocks, and are full of work. With finer furs, the wet weather is interfering, but paospects are fair chough, and a lew weeks of dry weather would i prove things very materially. On the continent no particular activity prevails, the dullness of trade in America is felt and so far business there is marked by want of animation.

Bears, black, 2,200 skins (last year 2,912). Were almost unsalable at one time of the year, the last month or two, however, sales increased considerably and the available stock was pretty well cleared. In the present sales the competition was good and prices ruled about 10 per cent. higher than in June. Bear, brown, 396 skins (last year 585).

Advanced 20 per cent.

Bear, grizzly and Russian, 1,058 sk's (last year 1,167). Are unaltered.
Fox, red, 8,131 skins clast year 2,7%, Sold 10 per cent. lower, having thus lost the advance established in June.

Lynz, 2 207 skins (last year 1,181, absolutely without consumption, and stocks keep accumulating, although prices are at an extremely low level, compered with last sale. prices are 15 per cent. lower.

Otter, 820 skins (last year 458). Are in

fair demand at previous prices.
Raccoon, 19,557 hast year 33,547. Reanzed an advance of 5 per cent.

Musquash, 88,871 skins (last year 73,203) Have caused some disappointment, a good many large prime skins remain unsold, but the cheaper sorts have done fairly well; the present prices are about 15 per cent. lower. the decline being more especially on the best large skins. Wolves, 2 904 skii s (last year 4,616). Are

neglected and declined 15 per cent.

Opossum. Australian, 312,000 skins (last year 532,810). In good demand and sold steadily at an advance of 15 to 20 per cent.

Wombat, 33,214 skins (ast year 0,210) Were also in good request, but prices, through the larger quantity offered, are 10

per cent. lower than in June.

Wallaby, 41,000 skins (last year 57,831). The Victoria skins are neglected and prices for same very moderate, the decime being 15 per cent. other sorts in fair demand and realizing 15 to 20 per cent. over last sale prices.

Marten, 5,601 skins (last year 9.312). Have been selling fairly all through the year, and the demand having further increased of late, prices ruled 10 per cent. higher than in June, and are about equal with those obtained in

the March sales.

Baum marten, 1,050 skins (last year 1 510) Under the influence of improved demand for American marten, prices were maintained.

Stone marton, 1,997 skins (last year 80). Sold a trifle lower than in June, and do not seem to be used to any extent.

Japanese marton, 7,703 skins clast year 1,150). The high prices in the early part of the year checked the sale of this article, but the lower quotation in Jane improved the demand and prices are fully maintained.

Russian sables, 2,592 skins (last year 2.125) Fine Yakutsky skins realized March prices, the lower grades like Yenisseysky declined 20

per cent.

Japanese sables, 4,392 skins (last year 3,791). Could not be profitably handled at imported prices, and several parcels remained unsold in the market. A further decline of 71 per cent. on the reduced values of June is the result.

Mink, 11,816 skins (last year 5,869). Have been moving slowly, the present small collection which consisted chiefly of poorest sorts declined, 10 to 15 per cent.

Kolinski, 16 011 skins (last year 7.600).

Are in poor demand, and prices receded 25 per cent.

per cent.

Ern.iuc, 5.235 skins (last year - -). Are again more extensively used and sold at about 5 per cent. advance.

Japanese fox 21,486 skins (last year 10,-58), Sold readily at a small a trance on last

sale prices.

Braver, 871 skins (last year 1.727). Very much neglected, and the low prices of Jane could hardly be reached.

Chinchilla bastard, 41,300 skins (last year 47,534). Are more moderate in price, and while common and discolored skins are not easily placed, the good blue skins were in fair demand, but at a further reduction of about 15 per cent.

Chinchilla real. 4,200 skins flast year 927). Good fresh blue skins fully main-1,927). Good fresh blue skins fully maintained their previous values; common discolored are not wanted and sold at very low figures.

Thibets, 16,700 skins (last year 2,032); 2,218 crosses (last year 16,, 1,479 coats (last year 175, Mostly common and woolly, sold at previous prices.

In the smaller sales .

Monkeys, 70,31) skins last year, 51,788,. Proved juite ansalable, a few of the best lots were with difficulty disposed of at 10d. to 11d per skin.

Australian opossom, 112,305 skins (last year 367,882). The collection was very small the demand good, and the result an advance

of about 15 per cent.
Whitecoats, 22,806 skins (last year 1,725). Attracted very little attention, and were

withdrawn for want of competion.

Thitets, 51,827 skins (last year 13,156), 145 coats (last year 8), 1.974 crosses (last year 54). Continue to be used in very large quantities, and quotations were well maintained all through the year. In the present sale, the buying, on account of lateness of the season, was cautious, and several portions were withdrawn, as holders remain firm and will not accept anything under the current prices of the year. Coats and crosses are unobtainable at present.

Dried Fruit.

There is no abatement in the strength of the dried fruit market. Lyest cable advices state that there has been another advance in Valencia raisins at Denia of 1s 6d, fine fruit now being firmly held at 194, off stalk at 17s. selected at 22s 6c, and layers at 24s 6d. The above prices are equivalent to a net cost laid down at Montreal of 5c to 6kc, according to grade. The demand has been active and some large orders have been booked at these advanced prices Advices from some of the largest shippers in Denia state that it is impossible to fill all orders forwarded. In this market there is absolutely no stock in first hands for sale, a thing almost unheard of in previous seasons at this time of the year.

California raisius are equally firm, and prices on 3-crown fruit have been withdrawn entirely. Recent sales of these will cost 61c net laid down here, which is an advance of a full cent on the opening price. Two-crowns have sold at 5½c net, and 4-crowns at 7½c

The first car A Montreal report says. load of new California prunes will be distributed to the jobbing trade this week. This fruit costs the jobbers 9c for 40 to 50s, 8c for 50 to 60s, 73c for 60 to 70s, and 7c for 70 to

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