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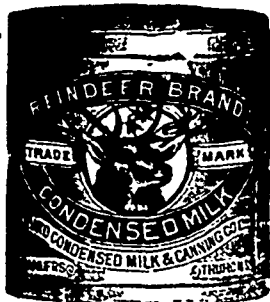
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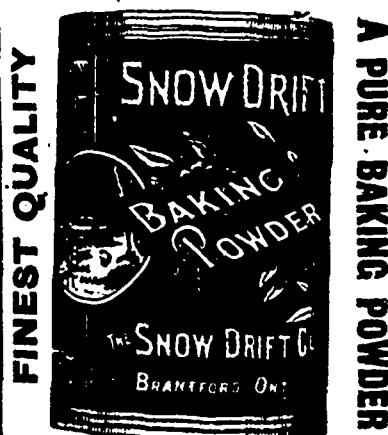
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WINNIPEG, JUNE 29, 1896.

## Manitoba.

The stock of W. Burton, of Portage la Prairie, which was purchased by A. Holliday, has been moved to Boissevain.

Winnipeg music dealers have decided to close their places of business on Thursday afternoons, during the months of July and August, starting July 9.

A telegram was received in Winnipeg last Saturday evening announcing the sudden death at Butte, Mont., of W. M. Ronald. Mr. Ronald was well known throughout the West, having been at one time a member of the wholesale crockery house of Porter & Ronald, Winnipeg, and later in business alone in the same line. He represented his firm as commercial traveller for years, thus becoming personally known to business men all over the country.

Mr. Emanuel Ohlen, formerly a resident of Winnipeg, but who is now carrying on business at Montreal as agent and broker in the exportation and importation of special lines of goods, is on a visit to the West. He left Winnipeg for British Columbia last week. Mr. Ohlen has handled several lots of western furs and hides for export. Some lots of heavy hides he has shipped to Sweden for sole leather purposes. He is well posted on Swedish manufactures, and can give full information regarding any goods required from that country.

## Northwest Ontario.

A. S. Horswill is opening in fruits, confectionery, etc., at Rat Portage.

Brydges & Griffiths, livery stables, Rat Portage, have sold out to Delbridge Bros., who come from Whitewood, Ass.

## Saskatchewan.

The Battleford Herald says: "Digging seneca root is in full operation, and hundreds of the native population are dividing their time between fighting mosquitoes and digging root. Several heavy shipments of the latter have already been made."

## Freight Rates and Traffic Matters.

R. P. Ritchie & Co., of Victoria, British Columbia, in their last freight and shipping report says:

"For the great part of the period since our last circular the market for grain vessels

was very dull. Towards the end however chartering was resumed and rates have proved to be firm with an upward tendency. A fair demand continues to prevail for lumber vessels but freights have hardly been maintained at their previous level. For China particularly rates are not what they were, although there is still some enquiry for tonnage. We quote freights as follows: Grain, from San Francisco to Cork for orders, 24s. 6d. New crop loading, 27s. 6d. Portland to Cork, for orders, spot, 25. Lumber, Burrard Inlet or Puget Sound to Sydney, 82s. 6d.

Business is reported in heavy grain freights, says the Montreal Trade Bulletin of June 19, for forward shipments at 2s to London, Liverpool and Glasgow, 2s 6d to Leath and to the continent. Plenty of Manitoba wheat is offered for shipment at workable prices; but as all available ocean tonnage at this point has been taken, nothing can be done at present. Sack flour 11s 3d London, 10s Glasgow, and 8s 9d Liverpool. Provisions 12s 6d Liverpool and London, and 12s 6d to 15s Glasgow. Cheese firm at 20s London, Liverpool and Glasgow. and 25s Bristol.

## Death of W. F. Henderson.

Many people in Winnipeg, particularly among the business element, were surprised and pained to learn of the death of W. F. Henderson, of W. F. Henderson & Co., wholesale commission merchants, Winnipeg. Mr. Henderson had been absent from the city for some weeks, and at the time of his death was in Vancouver, British Columbia. While in the Kootenay district he contracted malarial fever, but recovered partially and went to Vancouver. At the latter place typhoid fever developed, to which Mr. Henderson succumbed.

Mr. Henderson was one of the best known of Winnipeg's business men, having been in business here for over fourteen years, and his death will be deeply regretted by a wide circle of personal and business friends. Mrs. Henderson, who was with her husband at the time of his death, arrived in the city on Friday with the remains, on her way to Toronto. Mr. Henderson leaves no family, his only child having died a few years ago.

## Dairy Trade Notes.

J. C. Sproule, of Winnipeg, has been appointed agents for Telfer & Huey, of Glasgow, Scotland, provision merchants.

The Toronto Globe of June 19 says: "The offerings of butter at country points are liberal, but as there is no export demand and the local consumption is small local buyers do not care to take very large stocks. Country merchants are pressing in their offers, but local men say they will have to come down in their ideas before they take hold."

At the cheese board at Belleville, Ont., on June 17, 21 factories offered 1,410 boxes white and 180 boxes of colored. Sales: 85 boxes white at 7½c, and 70 colored at 7½c; 50 white at 7½c and 305 white at 7 5-16c; 100 white at 7½c; 260 white at 7½c; 200 white at 7½c.

At the cheese board at Woodstock, Ont., on June 17, eleven factories offered 1,549 boxes. Sales: 85 boxes at 7½c; balance unsold; six buyers were present; market adjourned for a week.

At the cheese market at Brantford, Ont., on June 19, 16 factories offered 2,265 boxes June 1st to 13th make. Sales—890 boxes at 7½c. Six buyers present. Next meeting Friday, July 8.

A weak feeling developed in cheese at Montreal Saturday June 20, and on Monday following. To sell any cheese a holder would have had to concede ½c to ¾c. About 4,000 boxes were offered of Quebec cheese and sold

at a decline of ½c on the ruling for the previous week, the range being 6½c to 6¾c with 7c paid in some instances.

J. A. Ruddick, of the dairy commissioners' staff, will inspect the government dairy stations at Indian Head and Moose Jaw, Assa. After that he will hold travelling dairy meeting at Maple Creek, July 8rd and 4th; Lethbridge on July 7th; Pincher Creek, July 10 and 11; and Fort MacLeod July 14. About Aug. 1st Mr. Ruddick will proceed to British Columbia and visit different parts of the country with the travelling dairy.

## Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat.—No. 1 hard, Fort William, afloat nominal at 99c.  
Flour.—Local price, per sack, Patents, \$2.25; Bakers, \$2.05.  
Bran.—Per ton, \$11.  
Shorts.—Per ton, \$18.  
Oats.—Per bushel, car lots, local freights, 83 to 84c.  
Earley.—Per bushel, about 40 to 42c, local freights.  
Flax Seed.—Small sales retail at \$1.50 per bushel.  
Butter.—Country dairy 10 in a small way, and very dull. Creamery, 15c.  
Cheese.—New —c.  
Eggs.—Fresh, 8c net, jobbing 9½c.  
Beef.—City dressed, 5 to 6c.  
Mutton.—Fresh, 7 to 8c.  
Hogs.—City dressed, 5½c.  
Cattle.—Butchers' 3 to 3½c.  
Hogs.—Live, off cars, 4c.  
Sheep.—¾ to 8½c.  
Seneca Root.—Dry 17 to 19c lb.  
Poultry.—Chickens, 40 to 45c per pair, turkeys, 8c lb., live weight.  
Hides.—No. 1 cows, 7½c.  
Wool.—Unwashed fleece, 9 to 10c.  
Potatoes.—45c per bushel.  
Hay.—\$1.00 to \$1.50 per ton, car lots.

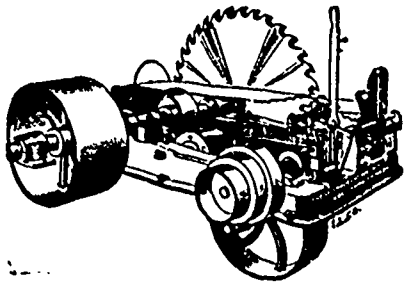
## Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

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 corresponding weeks a year ago, as reported by Inspector Horn to the Board of Trade:

Grade.	May 23	May 30	June 6	June 13	June 20
Extra Manitoba					
hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 hard.....	49	43	10	42	23
No. 2 hard.....	32	17	50	24	30
No. 3 hard.....	19	7	6	13	10
No. 1 North'n.....	8	1	0	2	4
No. 2 North'n.....	3	0	0	1	2
No. 3 North'n.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 white fyte	0	0	0	0	0
No. 2 white fyte	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Spring....	0	0	1	0	1
No. 2 Spring....	5	0	0	0	0
No. 1 frosted ..	19	4	5	5	1
No. 2 frosted ..	7	5	9	1	10
No. 3 frosted ..	3	2	0	1	5
No. 1 Rejected..	23	17	4	7	3
No. 2 Rejected..	19	13	8	11	5
No Grade.....	4	3	1	7	5
Feed.....	0	1	0	0	0
Total.....	190	115	64	114	99
Same week last year.....	135	105	47	38	12

\*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.

The recent speculative excitement in silver has died away, but the market has been steady to strong under the continuance of Japanese demand. At the end of the week the market was well sustained at a slight advance. Silver prices on June 19 were: London, 31 7-16d., New York, 68¾c.

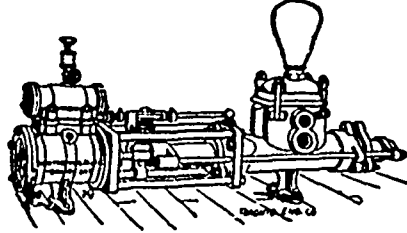


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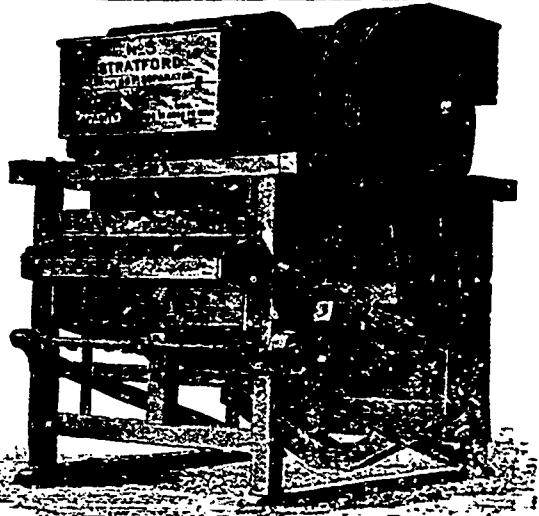
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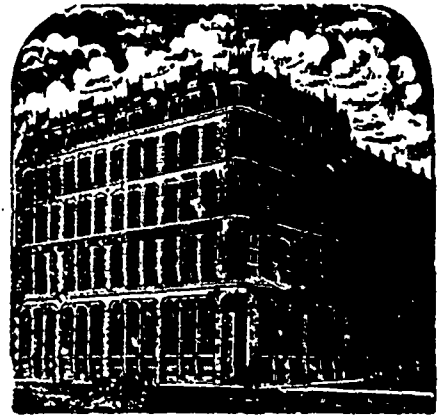
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# The Commercial

WINNIPEG, JUNE 29, 1896.

## CRUSHING GRAIN SCREENINGS.

Regarding an item in The Commercial of June 15, referring to the grinding of elevator or mill seeds, we have a letter from a party who claims to know all about the effect grinding will have on the germinating qualities of seeds. The letter is marked "not for publication," so that we can make reference to it only, without using the name. The writer makes a distinction between "grinding" and "crushing." He claims that through grinding will kill all seeds, but admits much of the so-called grinding does not destroy the seeds. The crushers used usually by farmers, are overcrowded, "and only crush some of the larger grains, while the small seeds are never touched," so says our informant. Our informant also says: "Machines that were once good enough have been run by incompetent persons, allowed to get out of order, probably through ignorance or false economy, and they will only crush the larger grain. This applies to a good many elevators as well as farmers' crushing machines." Our correspondent further says that farmers will not pay the price necessary to secure thorough grinding, where they can get grain crushed cheaply, but imperfectly. Altogether the remarks of our informant fully bear out the truth of the suggestions contained in the previous reference to this subject by The Commercial. If what our correspondent says is true, we would infer that the bulk of the so-called grinding or crushing of grain does not destroy the germinating qualities of the small seeds contained therein.

## BUSINESS AND POLITICS.

Now that the political contest is over, The Commercial hopes that business affairs will speedily settle down to the regular order of things. For some weeks back business has been more or less unsettled, as it always is during the heat of a political contest. In some cases business men may have even neglected their business affairs, in their ardor to assist their political friends. Business men, who are not only business friends, but personal friends, have found themselves on opposing platforms, and in the heat of party conflict or exciting argument, things may have been said or done, which may have led to coolness between those whose business affairs bring them frequently together.

In the recent conflict there has been a greater severing of party ties than is usually the case. Many prominent business men all over the country have seen fit to change their party allegiance. At one time a man who dared do such a thing was looked down upon. He was called a turncoat, and all sorts of unpleasant things would be said about him. Of recent years a more independent spirit has prevailed, and there is more tolerance for those who change from one party to another. During the heat of a political contest, prominent men who change their

party allegiance are sure to be obliged to meet with a good many hard knocks from their old political friends, who are certain to feel aggrieved at the loss their party has suffered.

It is to be hoped that whatever may have occurred during the late political contest to cause any ill feeling between business men, from any cause whatever, that feeling will now be laid aside. Business men in the west are as a rule tolerant and liberal in their ideas. If any one has changed his party allegiance, let him be respected by his old political friends for having had the courage of his convictions. Such a one is certainly more worthy of respect than the one who has stuck by his party against his convictions.

Again, if anything has been said or done during the heat of party warfare to cause any ill feeling between business men who have been friendly heretofore, let the feeling be at once put away. Do not allow political leanings to influence you in business or social matters to the smallest extent. Surely no intelligent business man would be so weak-minded as to allow any little political tiff to influence his business or social relationships with others. We know that in the past, lasting disagreements between business men have sometimes arisen out of political campaign incidents during an election contest. We hope that no such instances will result from the recent contest.

Everyone has a right to his convictions, and every man should be manly enough to have the courage of his convictions. It would be extremely narrow-minded to allow any such difference of opinion to creep into business or social affairs, and we do not believe that there are any prominent business men here who would allow themselves to be permanently influenced in such a way. For the time being, however, some little differences may have arisen, and if so let them be put away at once.

Now that the successful candidates have become members of parliament, it will be their duty to look after the interests of their constituents as a whole. They are no more in the hands of their political friends. Those who opposed as well as those who supported them, have an equal claim upon their consideration, in matters where their interests are affected. They are simply the choice of the people, for the people as a whole. This is the proper view to take of the matter. The government is not the government of the party but of the country, and the member is not the member of the party but of the constituency. Therefore, now that the fight is over, let all pull together for the good of the country, forgetting party animosities, and giving that respect and support to the government and to the members which it is their right to expect from all the people.

## THE FEDERAL ELECTIONS.

The result of the federal elections in Canada will not come as a surprise to many. Of course both the great political parties claimed that they were thoroughly assured of carrying the country, but partisan forecasts of this nature have no weight with those who understand the ways of party leaders. The impression which prevailed quite largely with

independent men that the government would be defeated, was not based on party forecasts. Perhaps the principal cause which led many persons of independent thought to look for the defeat of the government, was the disorganized condition of the governing party in Parliament, leading to disputes and intrigues within the government itself, to such an extent as to bring humiliation upon the government and the great Conservative party.

As for the Liberal victory, it gives them a small majority over the combined forces of the Conservatives, Patrons, McCarthyites and Independents. The sympathy of the Patrons and McCarthyites will naturally be more closely allied to the Liberals than to the Conservatives, but the Liberals have a sufficient majority to be independent of all the other parties.

There were of course some surprises as a result of the contest. This is always the case. In Ontario, the aid of Hon. Oliver Mowat did not prove as drawing a card as was expected, and the Liberal gains were not as large in that province as had been expected. The school question did not have as much influence in deciding the elections in Ontario as at one time seemed probable. This was owing to the fact that a great number of the Conservative candidates were pledged to oppose coercion, thus giving Conservatives an excuse to support their party candidates, regardless of the action of the government on the school question. The protective policy of the government no doubt came to their aid in Ontario to a greater extent than elsewhere. Fear of tariff changes as a result of a change of government may perhaps be considered the principal cause for the failure of the Liberals to secure as large a majority in Ontario as was expected by many independent persons.

In Quebec, where the school question was worked for all it was worth in the interest of the government, the result has been something of a surprise. The clergy did their very best in the interest of the government, but all to no avail, and Quebec went overwhelmingly in favor of the Liberals. The result in Quebec is perhaps more difficult to account for than that of any other part of the country. Does it mean that the people of Quebec have determined to enter a protest against clerical interference in political matters? At any rate they have given their clergy a severe snubbing. Mr. Laurier manfully threw down the gauntlet to the bishops in his speech in parliament on the Coercion Bill. When he did that he evidently understood the feeling of his French Canadian fellow citizens better than any one else did. It was considered a bold move at the time, to thus do away the powers of the bishops. Was it the coup that eventually gave him victory?

Some Protestants delight to prate about the subserviency of their Catholic fellow citizens to their clergy. These people have held up the French Canadians as a people who would not dare to hold an opinion in opposition to the clergy. What will they think about it now? Catholic Quebec has given Protestant Canada a lesson in religious tolerance which should not and will not be

forgotten. They have refused to be led by an agitation based on creed differences and have effectually sat upon their clergy, who tried to force them into such a position. This is the meaning at least which would be taken from the vote in Quebec, based on a superficial view of the result. However, the actual meaning of a popular vote is often very different from what it would naturally be supposed to be.

In the Maritime Provinces the Conservatives have a small majority, but they failed to make the clean sweep there that it was claimed they would. Premier Tupper's strength in that part of the country was counted upon to give the government a very large majority in those provinces.

In the West the result has come out fairly close to calculations, and the Liberal party owe their victory first to Quebec and secondly to the West. British Columbia, which has always returned a solid government contingent, has elected four Liberals out of a total of six members. In the Territories, which has also always returned a solid government support, but one government candidate was elected, and that one has a majority of only two, which will probably be changed to a minority on a recount. Manitoba never before sent more than a committee of one to assist the Liberals, but now elects three members in opposition to the government. The school question and opposition to the high tariff were the principal features which led to this result in the West. A remarkable feature of the campaign in the West was the promise from the Premier himself, of large expenditures of money on public works. In these new regions, where public improvements are so urgently needed, these promises no doubt had a great effect, but not sufficient to overcome the Liberal candidates entirely. Now that the elections are over, The Commercial may be permitted to express its belief that election promises of expenditures of this nature are extremely objectionable, and should be frowned upon by those who favor a clean contest.

The result in Winnipeg may justly be considered the greatest surprise of the contest, in the West at least. At the beginning of the campaign, popular opinion, so far as it could be gauged by surface indications, appeared to be largely in favor of Mr. Martin, and it was thought Mr. Macdonald showed great moral courage in undertaking the contest. Right here at the seat of the school question difficulty, where the people have so fervently declared for national schools, the very framer of the national school bill was defeated. The result would on the surface indicate the fickleness of public opinion, and Winnipeg already has gained notoriety for fickleness in this direction, owing to the remarks of a late member of the now defeated government. However, to those who understand the local situation, there were other causes entering the contest which would mitigate the charge against Winnipeg of fickleness of this nature. In a city of this size there is a considerable labor vote which was influenced by the promises of expensive public works. A great effort was also made to prove that Mr. Laurier was as strongly

pledged to coercion as was the Tupper government. Mr. Macdonald's personal popularity, and the prestige of his position as a minister in the government, counted for much in his favor. But it seems almost impossible that any combination of circumstances could account for the defeat of Mr. Martin squarely in Winnipeg, in the face of public opinion here on the school question, unless on the aforesaid ground of the extreme fickleness of public opinion in Winnipeg. The fight in the city was the most vigorous one ever made here, and it is certain that the government looked upon the carrying of Winnipeg as a necessary feature of their coercion policy. There is much talk about bribery in Winnipeg. The Commercial has no comments to make as to such allegations; but certainly the election here seems to have been bungled, as is indicated by the fact that voting was temporarily stopped at several polling booths, owing to ballots running out. An analysis of the vote in Winnipeg shows that it was by far the largest ever cast here. Mr. Martin had 639 more votes than he received at the by-election when he was first returned for Winnipeg, two years ago, and the total vote was 5,796, as compared with 3,907 at the by-election.

The result of the elections in Manitoba would indicate on the surface that a large number of people here are in favor of the coercion policy of the Conservative government. This is the only meaning which can be taken from the vote; but expressions of public opinion are often very misleading, and in the case of Manitoba, (and possibly it may be the same in Quebec), the vote certainly belies the actual feeling on the school question. The vote in Manitoba may be accounted for to some extent by the fact that many people considered the school question as practically dead, and that no further attempt would be made to pass a coercion bill, no matter which party carried the day. Secondly, two Liberal candidates were defeated by the advent of a third party candidate, running on practically the same platform as the Liberals. While the Patrons did not succeed in electing a candidate, they succeeded in splitting the vote against coercion and in favor of tariff reform, thus ensuring Conservative victories. As for coercion, with Manitoba declaring apparently (but not really) in favor of coercion, with the Quebec vote solidly arrayed on one side of the house and with many Conservatives committed to coercion, the position of Parliament will be more favorable to the passage of a coercive measure than it was before dissolution, if such a bill should be introduced.

As to the result of the elections on the whole, the weakness of the Liberal party is probably owing to the fact that their majorities are not more evenly distributed over the country. The fact of the Liberal majority coming in largely from one province is a feature which may bode the party no good.

As to the effect of the change on the country, it should on the whole be beneficial; and should be beneficial to the party which now retires into opposition. A change of government occasionally seems necessary to the welfare of the country, and a party too long in power is very liable to degenerate. At any rate the governing party is sure in time

to become laden with barnacles who can only be shook off by a term in opposition. Political schemers have a great affinity for the party in power, and they will find some excuse for leaving the opposition and going over to the governing body. If the Liberals remain long in power they will have many of the barnacles who are now attached to the Conservative party. This is one of the advantages of an occasional change of government, and one which is a great advantage also to the party going into opposition.

Regarding the tariff, The Commercial does not expect that any radical change will be made. The Liberal policy, as declared, is for revenue tariff, but regard must be had for existing conditions. The greatest care will have to be exercised in revising the tariff and changes will have to be made gradually and slowly. The leading men of the Liberal party have given assurance of their recognition of the necessity for caution and moderation in revising the tariff. The trade policy of Canada has been brought more into line with the imperial policy regarding closer trade with the empire.

What the Liberal policy regarding the West will be, is the feature of interest here. The government has made no special effort to develop the West for years, but on the eve of the elections great things were promised in the way of public works to develop the country. These promises of course now go by the board. The Liberals have promised nothing specifically. The Liberal party has always had the blame of having failed to recognize the value of the West, and of opposing everything in the interest of the development of the West. The Commercial will not discuss the justification or otherwise for this belief. Just here we may say, however, that the Liberals will now have an opportunity of showing what truth there is in this oft-repeated contention. The leaders of the party should consider the wisdom of ridding their party of this stigma, by entering upon a vigorous policy for the development of Western Canada. They are not, we repeat, bound by any election promises, but performances will be more to the point than promises made to influence an election contest.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

THERE seems to have been something very loose about the manner in which the new buildings for the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition association have been managed. The most flagrant violation of the plans and specifications seems to have been practised by some of the contractors at least, and this was not made public until it was forced upon the attention of the city council by a deputation from a local labor society, composed of carpenters and others. The only excuse for this state of affairs is the divided responsibility between the Exhibition Board and the City Council. A case of too many cooks, as it were. As the city is advancing the money to construct the buildings, the work should no doubt have been carried on under the supervision of the city. Fortunately no money has been paid yet on the contracts, and none should be paid until the work is done properly. In the meantime the parties who are re-

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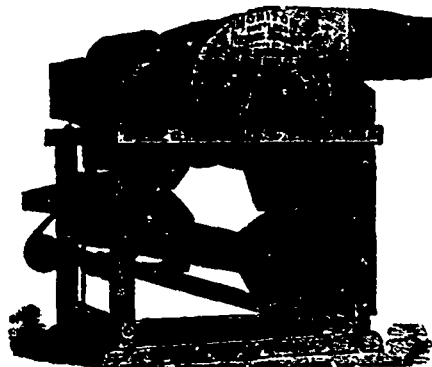
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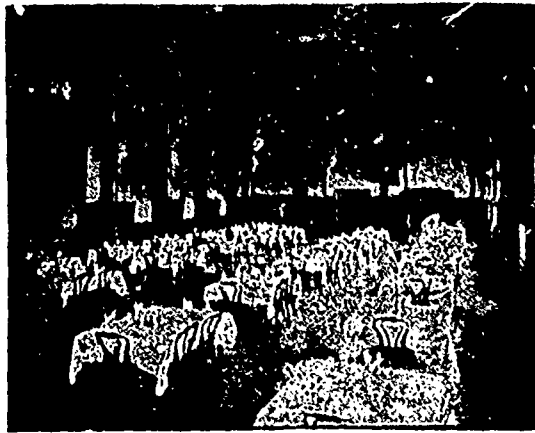
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responsible for the attempted steal should be made an example of. It does not seem possible that the contractors would have so violated the plans unless they felt sure their conduct would have been passed over by some person or persons in charge of the work. The carpenters who brought the matter to the attention of the city council deserve the thanks of the citizens generally.

The proposals at the recent London conference in favor of some form of an imperial Zollverein within the British Empire, are attracting much attention in Great Britain, and the more extreme free traders are strongly denouncing the proposals as nothing short of protection. The Westminster Gazette's cartoon, representing a group of resurrectionists exhuming the remains of protection. The Duke of Devonshire and Mr. Chamberlain are discussing the question how the body will be named when once dug up. "Let's call it Imperial Federation," remarks Mr. Chamberlain but Mr. Lowther prefers to be truthful. "I'm going to call it protection," he claims with decision.

This question of good roads is one of great importance to the general public, the loss to the community from bad roads being very great. In the United States during the past year or two, an organized movement has been going on, to work up an agitation in favor of better roads. The state of Texas has lately had a "good roads" convention at which a number of papers were read, and the discussions showed that road improvement was a subject of genuine concern. The convention adopted resolutions recommending that there should be established by the state of Texas a commission to be known as the state road board, to be composed of the governor, the superintendent of the state penitentiaries, and a professional engineer and geologist to be appointed by the governor; that the state road board should cause a careful examination of the state to be made for materials available for permanent roads, and should exercise general supervision over plans for road construction conducted with state aid; that the state should establish as speedily as possible road material supply camps in different portions of the state to be operated with convict labor.

The Republican convention at St. Louis, to nominate presidential candidates and prepare a platform for the coming election in the United States, has declared unequivocally for "honest money." The silver men withdrew from the convention, and the prospect seems to be that the Silverites and Populists will unite and nominate a candidate for president. Of course much will depend upon the result of the Democratic convention which takes place next month. The silver men are much stronger in the Democratic party than with the Republicans, but the most prominent men in the party are opposed to free coinage. The Republican platform further declares for protection, coupled with reciprocity. Other declarations of the convention are of less general importance, though important enough in themselves.



The Monroe doctrine is confirmed. The reference to continental union of the English speaking people of America is alleged to have been inspired from Canadian sources, and has been attributed to Prof. Goldwin Smith. As to the nominee of the Republican party, Mr. McKinley was never considered to be a man of great ability, but he is a skilled politician, and has long exercised a powerful influence over the Republican political machine.

### Toronto Grain and Produce Market.

Wheat.—Red offering north and west at 65c and 64c bid; white is quoted at 66c to 67c. Manitoba wheat is 1c lower, with sales of No. 1 hard Midland at 64c and 64½c; No. hard is quoted at 59c afloat Fort William; No. 2 hard at 56c and No. 3 hard at 54c there.

Flour is quiet; cars of straight roller are quoted at \$3.85 to \$3.40, Toronto freights.

Millfeed—Cars of shorts are quoted at \$11 to \$11.50 and bran at \$9 west.

Barley.—Dull and prices are nominal at 85c for No. 1, 82c for No. 2 and 25c for feed outside.

Oats.—Cars of mixed are quoted at 19c and white at 19½c to 20c west.

Oatmeal is steady at \$2.60 for car lots and \$2.80 for broken lots here.

Butter.—Prices for tubs are easy and frequently shaded. We quote: Choice dairy tubs, 10c to 13c; medium dairy tubs, 8c to 9c; low grade dairy tubs, 6c to 7c; choice large rolls, 11 to 12c; second large rolls, 10c; dairy pound prints, 12 to 18c; fresh made creamery tubs, 15c to 15½c; creamery pound prints, 15c to 16c.

Eggs.—Prices still range from 9 to 9½c, although the latter quotation is seldom got. —Globe, June 21.

### The Live Stock Trade.

At Liverpool on June 22 there were heavy supplies of cattle. Trade was worse than ever and a further decline in price of ¼ to ½c per lb took place. Best States sold at 9½c, and choice light Canadian steers at 9¼c. Heavy cattle slow at 9c, and Argentine at 8½c. After the big break in prices for sheep a week ago best stock advanced ¼c, to 10½c to 11c.

The Montreal Gazette of June 23 says: All the cattle freight for this and next week is taken up, and the very inside figure now is 42s 6d, and in some cases as high as 45s has been paid for immediate shipment.

At the east end Abattoir market, Montreal, on June 22 the slight advance in prices of the previous market day, June 18, was maintained owing to light offerings. The demand from shippers for choice steers and heifers was good and they were picked up at

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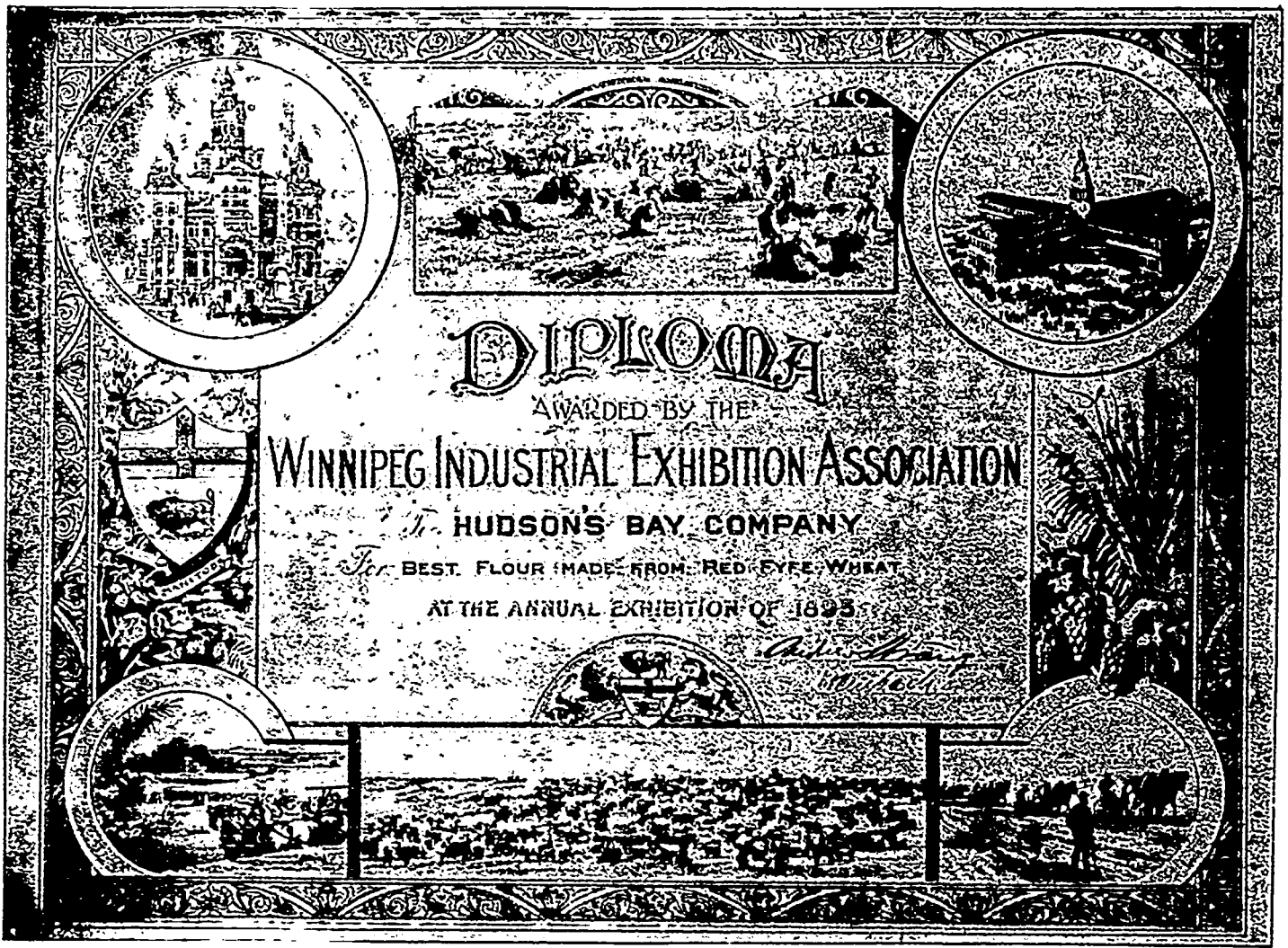
At the Point St. Charles stock yards, Montreal, on June 22 some trade was also done in export stock. Sales were made at 8½c, and some really choice fat steers and heifers brought 4c per lb. The receipts of hogs were lighter, their being only 200 offered, and, in consequence, prices were a trifle firmer at \$1 to \$1.10 per 100 lbs live weight.

At the semi-weekly market day at Toronto on June 23 there were sales of export cattle all the way from \$3.40 to \$3.75 per cwt. The best load on the market was a bunch of cattle, 1,360 lbs average, which sold for barely 4c per lb. Some light shippers, 1,150 lbs. average, sold for 8½c per lb. Butchers' cattle were firmer, chiefly as a result of light receipts. One carload of cattle, over 1,025 lbs. average, sold for \$3.10 per cwt. Those were the best sales of the day in the butchers' cattle line. Shipping sheep sold at 8 to 8½c per lb, and good grain fed yearlings at 4c per lb. Lambs were active at \$2.50 to \$3.75 per head. Choice selections of bacon hogs sold for 4½c per lb, weighed off the cars, heavy fat, 8½c; light fat, \$3.80 to \$3.85 per 100 pounds, sows, 2½ to 3c per lb.

### Feeding Oil Meal.

Twenty years ago there was very little oil meal used on the farms of this country, says the United States National Stockman. A few advanced feeders and breeders of livestock had learned its value in finishing animals for the block or for the show ring, and it was used in a limited way by dairymen, but the bulk of the product of our oil mills was exported, British farmers taking large quantities of it. The general advancement in knowledge of feeding during recent years has brought about a wonderful change.

Feeding oil meal is now almost as common as feeding bran, and those whose grain feed is of necessity principally corn have found it almost indispensable in providing a properly balanced ration. Manual value is another point in its favor, especially in the eastern states. Prices this year have been about the lowest on record, in sympathy with other feed-stuffs, and there has been a very large consumption. It is safe to say that the experience of this year will cause much more to be used hereafter, but the increase would be greater if none but the old process meal had been used. We have heard several complaints from those who have been using new process meal—which is decidedly inferior—principally on account of the chemicals used in extracting the oil.



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**THE BUSINESS SITUATION.**

WINNIPEG, Saturday, June 27, 1896.

Business has been upset by the general elections, which took place Tuesday last, and matters have hardly had time to cool down yet. The return of the Liberal or revenue tariff party will no doubt cause protected manufacturers to contract business some, owing to tariff uncertainty, though the Liberal leaders have already given assurance that the tariff will be handled carefully, so as to avoid changes liable to cause business disturbances. Wholesale trade at Winnipeg has been restricted this week and without important features. The weather for the entire month of June has been exceedingly favorable for the crops, and to this extent at least the outlook is encouraging. Bank clearings at Winnipeg this week show a decrease of about 9 per cent as compared with the like week of 1895, but an increase of about 5 1/2 per cent as compared with the like week of 1894.

There were 19 business failures reported in Canada this week, as compared with 35 last week and 28 in the corresponding week in 1895.

Money at New York yesterday was quoted at 1 1/2 to 2 per cent on call and mercantile paper 4 to 5 1/2 per cent.

Bradstreets of June 27 says of the situation in the United States this week. A canvass of leading jobbers at important cities shows no expectation of a revival in general trade until after election, and at some points no real improvement is expected until next year. Midsummer dullness characterizes operations at almost all points. Relatively greatest activity has been among eastern dry goods jobbers, who have sacrificed prices to reduce heavy stocks of cotton goods. Restricted production of print cloths at Fall River is likely to be followed by similar action at Providence and at Augusta. New England rubber manufacturers are curtailing production; and the situation and outlook in the iron and steel industries is less satisfactory, with a prospective cut in the price of pig bessemer iron, and the probability of the billet combination reducing quotations, and lower prices for coke. In addition, there are reduced prices for leaf tobacco, petroleum and cotton; for wheat, wheat flour, oats, pork, lard, sugar and coffee.

**WINNIPEG MARKETS.**

WINNIPEG, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, June 27.

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

**COAL.**—A further advance in Pennsylvania anthracite is reported from New York of 25 cents per ton. This will affect prices all over the country. Locally there is no business in coal worth mentioning, but when the coal season comes round again, prices are bound to be at least \$1 per ton higher in Winnipeg next winter, than they were last, owing to the increased cost of Pennsylvania coal this year. The Galt and western anthracite coal will no doubt be higher in this market next winter, as these coals were sold on a very small margin last winter, and advantage will no doubt be taken of the increased cost of the imported coal to advance the price of the native western coals.

**DRIED FRUITS AND NUTS.**—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, hickory nuts, 10c per pound; cocoanuts, \$1.00 per dozen; figs, now, 9 lb. boxes, 14c; figs, superior, 85 lb. boxes, 19c; figs, fancy imperial, 55 lb. boxes, 22c per lb; dates, now, 6 and 7c per lb, apricots, 13 1/2 to 14c, dried apples, 5 1/2 to 6c; evaporated apples 7 1/2 to 8c per lb.

**DRUGS.**—Bleaching powder is easier. Cream tartar was 1 shilling lower abroad per cwt. A sharp advance is reported in glycerine abroad. Following prices are for parcels and will be shaded for full package orders: Alum per pound, 3 1/2 to 4 1/2c; alcohol, \$5.25 gal; bleaching powder, per pound; 6 to 8c; bluestone, 5 to 7c; borax 11 to 18 cents; bromide potash, 65 to 75c; camphor, 85 to 95c; camphor, ounces 90 to 1.00; carbolic acid, 40 to 65c; castor oil, 11 to 15c; chlorate potash 28 to 35c; citric acid, 55 to 65c. copperas, 20 to 4c; cocaine, per oz., \$6.50 to \$7.00; cream tartar, per pound, 28 to 35c, cloves, 20 to 25c; epsom salts, 3 1/2 to 4c; extract logwood, bulk, 14 to 18c; do., boxes, 18 to 20c; German quinine, 40 to 50c; glycerine, per pound, 30 to 35c; ginger, Jamaica, 30 to 35c, do., African, 20 to 25c; Howard's quinine, per ounce, 45 to 55c; iodine, \$5.50 to 6.00; insect powder, 35 to 40c, morphia sul., \$1.90 to \$2.25. Opium, \$4.50 to \$5.00; oil, olive, \$1.25 to \$1.40; oil, U. S. salad, \$1.25 to \$1.40; oil, lemon, super \$2.75 to 3.25; oil, peppermint, \$4.00 to \$4.50; oil, cod liver, \$2.50 to \$3 per gallon as to brand; oxalic acid, 13 to 16c; potash iodide, \$4.25 to 4.50, paris green, 18 to 20c lb; saltpetre, 10 to 12c; sal rochelle, 30 to 35c; shellac, 45 to 50c; sulphur flowers, 3 1/2 to 5c; sulphur roll, per keg, 3 1/2 to 5c; soda bicarb, per keg of 112 pounds, \$3.75 to \$4.25, sal soda, \$2 to \$3; tartaric acid, per lb., 45 to 55c; strychnine, pure crystals 80c 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., \$4.50; No. 3, 8oz., \$7.88; No. 4, 1 lb., \$12.89; No. 5, 2 lb., \$24.30. Staminial—2oz. bottles, per dozen, \$2.55; do, 4oz., \$5.10; do, 8

**FISH.**—There has been a good supply of fresh fish in the market. Jobbing prices here for fresh fish are: Whitefish, 6 to 6 1/2c; Lake Superior trout, 9c; pickerel, 4c; sturgeon, 8c; salmon, 14c; halibut, 14c lb; cod, 10c per lb; mackerel, 12 1/2c per lb; smoked gold-eyes, 30c dozen; smoked salmon, 15c lb. Cured fish are quoted: Boneless codfish, 40lb boxes 7c, do crates 7 1/2c; boneless fish, 40lb boxes, 5c; smoked herrings, 15 to 20c box; bloaters, large, \$1.35 per box; bloaters, small, \$1.00 per box; dry cod \$6 per box of 100 lbs.; salt whitefish, \$5.50 per barrel of 100 pounds; salt lake trout, \$6.50 per barrel; salt herring, 1/2-barrel \$4; salt salmon, 10c lb.

**GREEN FRUITS.**—Anything we can say about oranges will be on a line with what The Commercial has stated for the past few weeks, namely that stocks are about exhausted in outside markets. It is expected that the last arrivals of California stock for the season are now here, and therefore when the moderate supply now here is cleared up, the market will be bare. Mediterranean sweets and blood oranges are now out of this market, and only a very few St. Michael are held here, the supply being late Valencia. Lemons are very firm, and they may take a sharp advance soon. Bananas are coming forward freely, though they were a little short for a day or two this week. Pacific coast strawberries are expected to arrive today, and they will sell at about \$5.00 per case of 24 boxes. California cherries are about done, and very few were in the market this week, but they will be coming from Pacific coast points north of California for some time yet. California peaches and apricots are arriving freely, and are of good

quality. Very few plums yet, and they vary widely in price and quality. Water-melons are in good supply. Prices are: Lemons, Messinas, \$1.50 to \$5 per box as to quality, California oranges, late Valencias, \$5.50 to \$10.00 per box; Bananas, fancy, Port Limon, \$2 to \$3 per bunch as to size, strawberries, 2 1/2 quart cases, \$1.50 to \$5.00 per case, pineapples, \$2.50 to \$3 per dozen as to size, California cherries, none; California peaches, \$2.00 per box; California apricots, \$2.00 box, California plums, \$3 to \$4 box as to quality and variety; Watermelons, \$5.50 to \$6 per dozen; Tomatoes, \$1.75 per crate of 4 baskets, cucumbers, 9 1/2 doz. Apple cider, 35c per gallon, in 30 gal barrels; maple sugar 12c per lb; maple syrup, \$1.10 per wine gallon, in gallon tins; pie plant, \$1.75 per 100 pounds; Egyptian onions, \$3.50 per 100 pounds.

**GROCERIES.**—The sugar market has continued irregular, notwithstanding the strong statements as to the statistical position of sugar. Canadian refiners dropped prices 1/2c toward the end of last week, making the price of granulated 1 1/2 to 1 3/4c at the refineries, according to quantity ordered. Yellows were quoted at 3 1/2 to 3 3/4c at the refineries as to grade. New York declined 1/2c for granulated influenced by the weakness in the European beet market and raw sugars declined 3-16c at New York.

**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, \$8.50 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, \$8.00 to 8.50.

**IRON AND STEEL.**—Bar iron, per 100 lbs. base price, \$2.35 to \$2.50; band iron, per 100 lbs., \$2.85 to 3.00; Swedish iron, per 100 lbs., \$5.25 to 6; sleigh shoe steel, \$3.00 to 3.25; best cast 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; 28 gauge, \$3.50,

**CANADA PLATES.**—Garth and Blaina, \$3.00 to 3.10.

**GALVANIZED IRON.**—Queen's Head, 22 to 24 gauge, per lb., 4 1/2c; 26 gauge, per lb., 5c; 28 gauge, per lb., 5 1/2c.

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

**LEAD.**—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2c.

**SHEET ZINC.**—In casks, 5.75 lb., broken lots, 7.25.

**SOLDER.**—Half and half (gun) per lb, 14 to 16c.

**AMMUNITION.**—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American, discount, 40 per cent.; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 and 5; rim fire military, American, not list; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent.; shot shells, 12 gauge, \$6 to 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 5 1/2c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6c.

**WIRE.**—Galvanized barb wire, plain twisted wire and staples, \$3.25 per 100 lbs. Closer prices have been made for large lots.

**ROPE.**—Sisal, per lb., 7 1/2 to 8c base; manilla, per lb., 9 1/2 to 10 1/2c base; cotton, 1/2 to 1 1/2 inch and larger, 15c lb.

**AXES.**—Per box, \$6.50 to 15.50.

**NAILS.**—Cut, per keg, base price, \$3.21 for 60 d. with usual extras; common steel wire nails, 5 to 6 inch, \$3.90 per keg; 3 to 4 inch, \$4.22 keg; 2 inch, \$4.50 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. Revised prices are as follows:

**LUMBER.**—Following is the price list of the Winnipeg dealers, at yards or delivered in the city, prices being net.

Dimension and Timber—No. 1.							
Sizes.	12ft.	14ft.	16ft.	18ft.	20ft.	22ft.	24ft.
2x4 to 2x12	15.50	18.50	19.50	20.50	21.50	22.50	
3x6 to 3x12							
4x4 to 4x12	20	20	21	22	23	24	
6x6 to 6x12 and 8x8							
8x10 to 12x12	22	22	23	24	25	26	
2 x 4 - 10 at \$20.50.							
2 x 6 to 2 x 12 - 10 at \$18.							

No. 2 dimension \$2 less than No. 1.  
Dimension, 26ft., 28ft., 30ft., \$26. Timber, 26ft., 28ft., 30ft., \$28. \$1 per M. advance on each inch over 12 in depth and width Tamarac dimension same price as pine. Spruce dimension at \$2 per M. less than pine. Cull Plank, all widths at \$12 per M. B. C. Fir dimension up to 32 feet at \$30 per M. 32 to 40 ft., \$33; 40 to 60ft., \$36. \$1 per M. extra for each 2 in. over 12 in. in width or depth.

**Boards.**—1st. common boards, red pine \$25; 2nd. common boards, \$18; 3rd. common boards, \$16; No. 1 cull boards, \$12; No. 2 cull boards, \$8; Spruce boards, \$16; \$1 per M. extra for stock boards. \$2 per M. less for 10 ft. and under. No. 1 box boards, 14 in. and up, \$30; No. 2, box boards, 14 in and up, \$26. Extra dressing per M. \$1.50.

**Siding, Flooring and Ceiling.**—2nd 4, 5 and 6 inch, white pine \$33.00; 3rd 4, 5 and 6 inch white pine \$28.50; 1st 4 5 and 6 inch red pine \$32.00; 2nd 4 5 and 6 inch red pine \$32.00; 3rd 4, 5 and 6 inch red pine \$26.00; 4th 5 and 6 inch red and white \$20.00; B. C. No. 1 fir \$36.00; B. C. No. 2 fir \$32.00; B. C. No. 3 fir \$28.00; B. C. spruce \$35.00. 4, 5 and 6 inch spruce native \$20.00; 8 and 10 inch pine \$25.00; No. 1 cedar siding and ceiling 39.00; No. 2 cedar siding and ceiling \$33.00; 1/2 inch cedar or fir siding and ceiling \$28.00; \$1.00 per M. advance for dressed both sides.

**Bevil Siding.**—No. 1 white pine \$26.00; No. 2 red and white \$23.00.

**Shiplap.** 6 inch 15.00, 8 and 10 inch \$20.00; Spruce, 8 and 10 inch 19.00; Spruce, 6 inch \$18.00.

**Shingles.**—B. C. cedar per M. No. 1 \$3.00; B. C. cedar per M. No. 2 \$2.50; B. C. cedar dimension shingles \$4.00; B. C. cedar shingles band sawed \$5.00; No. 1 pine, per M. \$2.75; No. 2 pine per M. \$2.25; No. 3 pine per M. \$2.00.

**Lath.**—Pine lath, per M \$3.00.

**Finishing.**—1 1/2 inch, 1 1/4 inch and 2 inch. White pine, 1st and 2nd clear, \$65.00; white pine, 3rd clear, \$55; white pine, selects, \$45; white pine, shops, \$36.00; red pine, clear, \$40.00; red pine, selects, \$32.00; B. C. cedar clear, \$55.00; B. C. fir clear and stopping, \$45.00. \$5.00 per M. advance on 2 1/2 inch and thicker.

**One inch.** White pine, 1st and 2nd clear, \$60.00; white pine, 3rd clear, \$48.00; white pine, selects, No. 1, \$39; white pine, selects, No. 2 (extra 1st com.) \$30; red pine, clear, \$40; red pine, selects, \$30; B.C. cedar, clear, \$55.00.

**Oak, red and white.**—1st and 2nd, \$55 to \$65; Common, \$40.

**Mouldings and Base.**—Parting strips, per 100 feet lineal, 60c; lattice, 3x1 1/2 per 100 feet lineal, 75c; lattice, 3x1 1/4 per 100 ft. lineal, \$1.25; window and door stop, 1 1/2 inch lineal, \$1.25; window and door stop, 2 inch lineal, \$1.50; 1/2 round and 3/4 cove, 75c; 1 1/2 round mould, \$1.50; 2 round mould, \$1.75; 2 1/2 round mould, \$2.00; 3 round mould, \$2.25; 3 1/2 round mould, \$2.50; 4 round mould, \$2.75; 4 1/2 round mould, \$3.00; 5 round mould,

\$3.25; 6 round mould, \$4.00; 5 round window stool, 1 1/2, \$4.50; 6 round window stool, 1 1/4, \$5.25; 4 round casings, \$2.50; 5 round casings, \$2.75; 6 round casings, \$3.25; 8 round base, \$4.50; 10 round base, \$5.50; 12 round base, \$7.00; hand rail, 2x4, \$5.00; wainscot cap, 2 1/2 inch, \$2.35; wainscot cap, 3 inch, \$2.75; paper mould, 75c.

Moulding made from 1 1/2 stock add 25 per cent; 1 1/4 add 50 per cent.

Hardwood mouldings or mouldings to detail at special prices.

All shop work at special net prices.

**PAINTS, OILS, ETC.**—Prices here are as follows:

**WHITE LEADS.**—Pure, ground in oil, association guarantee, 5.75 to \$6 per 100-lb; 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., 8c; red lead, 5 1/2c; yellow ocre in barrel lots, 2 1/2c; less than barrels, 2 1/2c; golden ocre, barrels, 3 1/2c; less than barrels 4c; Venetian, red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 3 1/2c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb., Paris green, 18 to 19c; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots 2 1/2c; less than barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, 100 lb. kegs, 3 1/2c less, than kegs, 4c lb.

**VARNISHES.**—No. 1 furniture, per gal., \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35, pale oak, \$1.50, elastic oak, \$1.50; No. 1 carriage, \$1.60; hard oil finish, \$1.50; brown Japan, \$1; goldsize Japan, \$1.50; No. 1, orange shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50.

**SUNDRIES.**—Glue, S.S., in sheets, per lb., 12 1/2 to 15c; glue, white, for kaisomining, 16 to 18c. Stove gasoline, per case, \$4.00; benzine, per case, \$4.00; benzine and gasoline, per gallon, 50c. Axle grease, Imperial per case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, per case, \$3.75; diamond, do, \$2.25 per case. Coal tar, per barrel, \$8; Portland cement, per barrel, \$4.00; plaster, per barrel, \$3.10; plasterer's hair, 90c per bale; putty, in bladders, barrel lots 2 1/2c per lb., for less than barrels per lb., 2 1/2c.

**WINDOW GLASS.**—1st break is quoted at \$1.75 per box of 50 feet.

**LINSEED OIL.**—Raw, per gal., 58c; boiled, per gal., 61c in barrels, less than barrels 3c per gallon extra.

**TURPENTINE.**—Pure spirits, in barrels, per gallon, 58c; less than barrels, per gallon, 65c.

**OILS.**—Range 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, \$1.00; steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 per gallon.

**REFINED PETROLEUM.**—There is no change in burning oils. Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 2 1/2c; crescent, 2 1/2c; oleophene, 29 1/2c in barrels. In car lots 2c per gallon discount is allowed off prices in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 31c for cocene and 30c for sunlight.

**WOOD FUEL.**—There is very little business doing in car lots, city retail dealers having stocked up during the winter and early spring. There is very little poplar wood offering. Car lot prices are: Poplar, \$2.50 to \$3 per cord; pine, \$3.50 to \$3.75; tamarac, \$4.25 to \$4.50.

**WHEAT.**—GENERAL SITUATION.—Wheat has been weak and averaged lower in leading markets this week. The principle causes of weakness have been large receipts of old wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth, weak cables from Europe and favorable crop news. Exports of wheat, flour included as wheat,

from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal this week, amount to 2,837,000 bushels, compared with 8,020,000 bushels last week, 1,946,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 1,718,000 bushels in the week two years ago, and as compared with 8,971,000 bushels in the fourth week of June, 1893.

**WHEAT.**—LOCAL SITUATION.—Local markets have been very dull this week owing to the weakness in wheat abroad and the election excitement at home. There has been very little business doing in either the Winnipeg or country markets. Receipts at Fort William and Port Arthur last week were 267,626 bushels; shipments 172,755 bushels; in store 1,920,000 bushels. Prices have been weak and lower in sympathy with the general decline. In Manitoba country markets 40c per bushel or under is usually the top price to farmers, though 41 to 42c was paid at some points earlier in the week. Yesterday No. 1 hard sold afloat Fort William at 68c, but this morning a sale was made at 67 1/2c, and with the decline in outside markets to-day buyers' views were about 67c for No. 1 hard, afloat Fort William at the close.

**FLOUR.**—There is no change in the local market. Sales by millers here are made at \$1.75 to \$1.90 for patents and \$1.55 to \$1.60 for strong bakers per sack of 98 pounds, delivered to city retail dealers; second bakers \$1.30 to \$1.35; XXXX \$1.05 to \$1.10, delivered. Brands of country mills usually sell at 5 to 10c under these quotations.

**MILLSTUFFS.**—City mills are still selling at \$6 per ton for bran and \$10 for shorts, delivered in the city, in broken lots.

**OATS.**—The market is exceedingly dull and prices are lower. In Manitoba country markets the price to farmers is 9 to 10c at most points. About 11 1/2c per bushel of 34 pounds is the very outside price which would be paid for car lots of choice white, at country points on average through freights. No. 2 mixed have sold as low as 10c, and No. 2 white at 10 1/2c, so that 10 to 11c is about the extreme range of values, and the outlook is still weak, as Chicago made a new lower record again to day. In this market cars have been offered, local freights paid, at 17 1/2 to 19c as to grade. The street price to farmers here is 17 to 18c per bushel.

**BARLEY.**—Barley is almost unsaleable. The quotation of 12 to 13c in the country for car lots is nominal. There is no demand local or otherwise.

**GROUND FEED.** Prices range from \$10 to \$12 per ton, as to quality, the top price for rolled oat feed, and the lowest price for mixed mill feed.

**OATMEAL.**—The following are the jobbing prices here for oatmeal: Rolled oats, 80lb sacks, \$1 35; 40 lb sacks, 70c, 20 lb sacks 36 1/2c. Granulated and standard meal, 98 pound sacks \$1.55, 49 lb sacks, 80c; rolled wheat, 80 lb sacks \$1.70.

**OIL CAKE.**—Oil cake holds at \$16 per ton, including bags, for nutted or ground meal.

**FLAX SEED.**—There is no business doing in flax seed, and the quotation is nominal at 60 to 65c. Sales of choice cleaned seed have been made in a retail way, at 70c to \$1.

**BUTTER.**—Last week we reported that bids had been made from the east for Manitoba dairy at about equal to 7c here for round lots of average quality dairy, and the same price was offered here. We learn that quite a number of country holders have accepted 7c net here, and this is perhaps a wise policy, as it is doubtful if they could do any better by shipping east, and spring butter is of course not a good keeping quality, and therefore not desirable goods to hold long. We quote dairy at 7 to 9c here as to quality for choice, and low grade 5 to 6c. Creamery has held steady and 14c has been paid in the country

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to factories, or equal to 14½ to 14¾ here, based on freight rates east, allowing for the rebate allowed on re-shipment eastward. For choice goods a shade better has been paid, owing to the improvement at Montreal where 16½ to 16¾ has been paid for fine creamery this week. Some car lots of butter, dairy and creamery are going east this week. Rather pale color is desired in June creamery, with not more than three per cent. of salt, and 56 pound boxes are preferred for the eastern and export trade. If boxes are not used, 70 pound tubs are the next most desirable package.

**CHEESE.**—Very little has been done in cheese here yet, and factories are holding above the views of buyers, so that the business done has been limited to local and western requirements, for which higher prices have been paid than could be paid for shipment, 6½ to 7c having been paid here. Latest reports from the East indicate that the edge is off the market again and that prices have not been maintained since the recent bulge. Montreal telegrams yesterday quoted 7 to 7½ for Ontario cheese, which is ½ to ¼ lower than the top, and 6½ to 6¾ for Quebec goods.

**EGGS.**—Prices are firmer, with lighter receipts; 7c net and jobbing at 8c has been the price this week, but an advance is likely to go into effect any day.

**LARD.**—Prices are: Pure \$1.70 for 20 lb. pails, and \$1.90 for 50 lb. pails; pure leaf lard in 8, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$6.25 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 8½ pound; cases of 80, one lb. tins, \$3.50.

**CURED MEATS.**—For canvassed meats, add ¼c per pound to prices below or ¼c for parchment paper wrapping. Smoked meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 10½c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 11c; do. backs, 10c; picnic hams, 8c; short spiced rolls, 7½c long rolls, 7½c; shoulders, 7c smoked long clear, 8½ cents; Fancy clear, 8½ cents; smoked jowls, 5½ cents. Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 7c per lb; shoulders, 6c; backs, 8c; barrel pork, heavy mess \$19.00; clear mess \$18.00; 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, 2½c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 30c lb.

**DRESSED MEATS.**—Mutton is weaker but there is no material change in prices this week. We quote city dressed beef steady at 5 to 5½c. Fresh mutton 8½ to 9c. City dressed hogs, 5½c; country dressed 5c. Veal, easy at 5½c to 6½c.

**POULTRY.**—Chickens have declined heavily to 40 to 50c per pair as to quality. Turkeys would bring 10c per lb live weight, if they could be had, but none offering. No other kinds offering.

**VEGETABLES.**—Potatoes have sold at 15 to 20c per bushel on the street market. Pie plant is now offered at \$1.50 to \$1.75 per 100 pounds. New native cauliflowers are now in.

**HIDES.**—4½c is the general price for hides, but in special cases 5c has been paid, owing to local competition. We quote: Green city hides, No. 1, 4½c to 5c; No. 2, 3½c; calf, 8 to 15 lb. skins, 4 and 6c per lb.; dekins 15 to 20c each; kips 4 to 5c; sheep 50 to 65c; shearlings, 5 to 10c; lambskins, 10c; Horsehides, 75c to \$1.25.

**TALLOW.**—Tallow is easier, owing to the importation of tallow from the States at lower prices than has been paid here. Tallow has been brought into Winnipeg by manufacturers, from Dakota points, duty and freight paid, and laid down here at a cost of considerably under 4c per lb. We quote No. 1 tallow 4c; No. 2 rendered 3c,

**WOOL.**—The feeling locally is rather easier on wool, as some prices have been paid here in advance of values based on prices elsewhere, and the tendency is to buy lower. Prices paid this week have ranged from 5 to 9c as to quality, the top for choice clean, medium long wools, and down to 5 to 6c for heavy, fine or dirty lots.

**SENECA ROOT.**—There is not much business doing here yet and prices are low, ranging from 12 to 15c per lb., as to quality.

**HAY.**—There is very little demand and the prices are easy, baled prairie is offered at \$6 on track here.

**LIVE STOCK.**

**CATTLE.**—Nothing special doing in cattle this week and no export business going on at present. Next month export shipments will be resumed. The top price is 5c for choice butchers and ranges down to 2 to 2½c for common stuff. Good cows about 2½c.

**SHEEP.**—Easier. As high as 4c was paid for one lot last week, delivered on purchase made earlier, but this price will not likely be reached again this season. We quote 3½ to 3¾c as to quality. Car lots of average butchers stock, about 3½c, off cars here.

**HOGS.**—Steady at 8½c for good packing hogs off cars here averaging 150 to 300 pounds, heavy and light hogs 2½ to 3c, as to quality; stags 1½ to 3c.

**Chicago Board of Trade Prices.**

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 2 oats and No. 2 corn, per bushel. Pork is quoted per barrel and lard and short ribs per 100 pounds.

Wheat was weak on Monday and closing prices were ¾c under Saturday's close, influenced by heavy receipts of spring wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth, and easier cables. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Sept.
Wheat.....	56½	56½	57½
Corn.....	27½	27½	29
Oats.....	—	16½	17½
Mess Pork..	—	6 97½	7 15
Lard.....	—	4 05	4 20
Short Ribs..	—	3 70	3 87½

On Tuesday wheat declined, influenced by continued heavy receipts of spring wheat, but recovered. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Sept.
Wheat.....	56½	56½	57½
Corn.....	27½	27½	29
Oats.....	—	16½	17
Mess Pork..	—	7 02½	7 20
Lard.....	—	4 05	4 20
Short Ribs..	—	3 72½	3 90

On Wednesday wheat was easy at the opening, but advanced on unfavorable crop reports, but declined again. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Sept.
Wheat.....	56½	56½	57½
Corn.....	27½	27½	28½
Oats.....	—	16	16½
Mess Pork..	—	7 12½	7 32½
Lard.....	—	4 07½	4 22½
Short Ribs..	—	3 72½	3 90

Wheat was weak on Thursday, influenced by weak cables, favorable crop news, and large receipts at northwestern spring wheat points. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Sept.
Wheat.....	55½	55½	56½
Corn.....	27½	27½	28½
Oats.....	—	15½	16½
Mess Pork..	—	7 05	7 20
Lard.....	—	3 97½	4 12½
Short Ribs..	—	3 67½	3 85

Wheat continued weak on Friday, under lower cables, foreign selling and large spring wheat receipts northwest. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Sept.
Wheat.....	55	55½	56½
Corn.....	27½	27½	28½
Oats.....	—	15½	16½
Mess Pork..	—	7 00	7 17½
Lard.....	—	8 90	4 02½
Short Ribs..	—	8 65	3 80

Wheat was weak on Saturday. July option opened at 55½c and sold downward closing at the bottom. Closing prices were:

	June.	July.	Sept.
Wheat.....	54½	54½	55½
Corn.....	26½	26½	28
Oats.....	—	15½	16
Mess Pork..	—	6 92½	7 10
Lard.....	—	8 87½	4 00
Short Ribs..	—	8 65	3 80

A week ago to-day, July wheat closed at 57½c and a year ago at 70½c and two years ago, at 57½c.

**Duluth Wheat Market.**

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

Monday—May—c, July 56½c, Sept 57½c.
Tuesday—May—c, July 56½c, Sept 57½c.
Wednesday—May—c, July 56½c, Sept 57½c.
Thursday—May—c, July 55½c, Sept 56½c.
Friday—May—c, July 55½c, Sept 55½c.
Saturday—May—c, July, 55½c Sept 55½c.

A week ago price closed at 57½ for July. A year ago July delivery closed at 73½c. Two years ago July closed at 62½c and three years ago at 60c.

**Minneapolis Wheat.**

No. 1 Northern wheat closed on Saturday as follows: July delivery at 51½c, September 52½c. A week ago July wheat closed at 51½c.

**New York Wheat.**

On Saturday, June 27, July delivery closed at 61½c and Sept delivery at 62½c. A week ago July closed at 63½c.

**Comparative Prices in Staples.**

Prices at New York compared with a year ago.

	June 19, 1896.	June 21, 1895.
Flour, straight spring..	\$3.10 to \$3.65	\$3.50 to \$4.15
Flour, straight winter..	\$3.20 to \$3.60	\$3.50 to \$3.90
Wheat, No. 2 red.....	70½c	74½c
Corn, No. 2 mixed.....	36½c	53½c
Oats, No. 2.....	22c	31½c
rye, No. 2, Western.....	40½c	—
Barley, No. 2 Milwaukee ..	—	—
Cotton, mid. upld.....	7½c	7½c
Print cloths, 64x64.....	27-11c	2 13-16c
Wool, Ohio & Pa., X.....	16c	15½ to 18c
Wool, No. 1 comb.....	19 to 20c	20 to 21c
Pork, mess new.....	\$9.00 to \$9.00	\$13.00 to \$13.75
Lard, westn., stm.....	4.40c	6.62c
Butter, creamery.....	15c	18c
Cheese, ch. east fr.....	6½c	7½c
Sugar, centrif., 90.....	5½c	3 5-11c
Sugar, granulated.....	4 15-16c	47-16c
Coffee, Rio, No. 7.....	—	16½c
Petroleum, N. T. Co.....	\$1.20	\$1.75
Petroleum, rid. gal., ..	7.00c	—
*Iron, Besse. pg.....	\$12.25	\$12.75
*Steel billets, ton.....	\$20.00	\$19.75
Ocean Steam Freight—	—	—
Grain, Liverpool.....	2d	1d
Cotton.....	5-8d	1-16d

\* Pittsburgh.

A. Roberts & Co., general store, Wapella, Assa., have assigned.

I. Richer of Richer & Co., general store, St. Anne, Man., is dead

C. Braund & Co., stationary, Victoria, have dissolved and the stock has been sold to T. N. Hibbin & Co.

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## British Columbia Business Review.

Vancouver, June 22, 1896.

In all lines last week business was unusually good among the wholesalers owing to the necessary summer supply for camps throughout the interior and along the coast. Collections are rather better and ready money much freer. The lull in the lumber trade still continues though there is still some activity in shipping circles. The salmon run on the Fraser river is rapidly improving and from indications in the North a very large mass of sockeyes are heading eastward. The big strike on the Skeena river is off a compromise having been made between the canners and fishermen by which the canners agree to pay 35 cents for sockeyes and 75 cents for spring salmon. This is an advance of ten cents and one cent on the old wages. Many people have been expressing the fear of late that numerous canneries starting up along the rivers of British Columbia would thin out the salmon and ruin the trade. In this connection it might be mentioned that Mr. Begg in his history of British Columbia mentions the fact that 103 years ago Alexander McKenzie in describing his trip across the continent to the Pacific said that he noticed in the Fraser river (then supposed to be the Columbia river) that the fish were so thick that they seemed to entirely cover the surface of the water with their fins. So that the big run has lasted at all events for 103 years with apparently no diminution in size. Latterly British Columbia fishermen have been setting traps for salmon in American waters and selling their fish in British Columbia. The conservative candidate Mr. B. McBride at Westminster district notified Sir Charles Tupper of the state of affairs at a particularly opportune time and Sir Charles Tupper wired back "I am in favor of protecting British Columbia fishermen."

## British Columbia Markets.

(BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.)

Vancouver, June 27, 1896.

There is a very heavy supply of Manitoba butter here and prices are easy.

Butter.—Man. Dairy butter, 14 to 16c; Manitoba creamery, 19 to 20c; Manitoba cheese, new, 11c.

Cured Meats.—Hams 11½c to 12c; breakfast bacon 11½ to 12c; backs 11½ to 12c; long, clear 8c; short rolls 9½c; smoked sides 9½c. Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per pound; in pails and tubs 9½c. Mess pork \$14; short cut \$16.

Fish.—Prices are: Flounders 8c; smolt 4c; sea bass 4c; black cod 6c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 4c; herring 4c; spring salmon 7c; whiting 6c; soles 6c; steel heads, 6c; crabs 60c dozen; smoked halibut 10c; bloater 10c; kippered cod 9c; sturgeon 6c; salt oolachan, 25 and 50 lb. kets 5c; smoked salmon 12½c.

Vegetables.—New potatoes, \$1.85 per 100 pounds; onions silver skins, 1½c lb.; California onions, 2c.; sweet potatoes \$2.25 per 100 lbs.; cabbage, 1½c lb.; carrots, turnips and beets, \$10 a ton.

Eggs.—Ranch, 20c. Manitoba, 14c.

Fruits.—Fruit is sold by box unless otherwise quoted. Standard American boxes measure one foot ten and a half inches by eleven and a half inches with depth of eleven inches, inside measurement, and contain from 280 to 360 lemons, from 125 to 300 seedling oranges, or from 125 to 150 naval oranges. Standard Australian boxes for apples, etc., are smaller and contain from 125 to 150 apples in a box. Mediterranean sweets, \$3; St. Michaels, \$3.75; blood oranges, \$3.75; California lemons, \$3.50 to \$3.75; Australian apples \$2.25 to \$2.50 per box; Bluefield bananas, \$3 per bunch; bananas \$1.75 bunch;

\$3.50 crate (2 bunches) \$3.50; Cherries, (10 lb box), \$1.40; Peaches, 20 lb boxes \$1.50; Plums 20 lb boxes \$1.75; Apricots 20 lb boxes \$1.40; Tomatoes, \$3.50.

Evaporated Fruits.—Apricots 11c per lb; peaches 7½c; plums 7c; prunes, French, 4c; loose Muscatel raisins 4c; London layer raisins \$1.65 box.

Nuts.—Almonds, 18c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnuts, 10 to 16c lb.

Meal.—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$3.00; 45 pound sacks, \$3.10; 22½ pound sacks, \$2.60; '0.7 sacks, \$2.00. Oatmeal, 10-10's, \$3.25, -50's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.25; 2-45's, \$2.35. Manitoba Rolled Oats, 90's, \$2.25 15's \$2.35.

Flour.—Manitoba patent, per bbl., \$1.40; strong bakers, \$1.10; Oregon, \$1.20; Oak Lake patent \$1.30; do. strong bakers \$1.00.

Grain.—Washington State wheat \$30.00 per ton f. o. b. Vancouver, duty paid. Oats \$16.00 per ton.

Ground Feed.—National mills chop, \$21 to \$23 per ton; ground barley, \$22 ton; shorts, \$16.00 ton; bran \$15.00; oil cake meal, \$26 ton; F. O. B. Vancouver, including duty paid on import stuff.

Hay.—Nominal at \$8 per ton.

Dressed Meats.—Beef, 6 to 7c; mutton, 6½ to 7½c; pork, 6 to 7c; veal, 7c.

Live Stock.—Steers, \$3.00 to \$3.50; per hundred lbs.; sheep, \$3.10 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$5.50 to \$5.75 per 100 lbs; lamb \$2.75 to \$3 per head.

Poultry.—Chickens, \$5.50; ducks, \$5 per dozen.

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

Syrups.—30 gallon barrels, 1½c per pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon kegs, \$1.50 each; 1 gallon tins, \$1 per case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$1.75 per case of 20.

Teas.—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good, 18c. choice 26c. Ceylons: Fair 25c; good 30c; choice 35c per lb.

## British Columbia Mining News.

A new coal company has been formed in Nanaimo, British Columbia to develop coal mines, the capital is mentioned as \$3,000,000.

The California Gold Mining company has been incorporated in Spokane, capital \$2,000,000.

The Mountain View Gold Mining Co., has been incorporated in Spokane, capital \$1,000,000.

The Ivanhoe No. 1 Mine Co., has been incorporated in British Columbia. Capital \$1,000,000.

Slocan miners are indignant because 25 men were brought in by the owners of the Wellington group of mines, Slocan, from Ottawa to work under contract at \$2 a day thus for the first time cheap labor has been imported although there are 2,000 men looking for work in the Kootenies.

## British Columbia Business Notes.

Topping & Hanna, Hotel, Trail, have dissolved, E. S. Topping continues.

The Stock of Henry Gribble, toys, &c., Victoria, is advertised for sale.

Wm. Hooper, harness and saddlery, Arm-Strong, is succeeded by Chas. Addison.

Mrs. E. B. O. Schotky, men's furnishings, New Westminster, is advertising stock for sale.

The last number of the British Columbia Mining Record, published by Alex. Bagg, at Vancouver, contains an extensive write up of the Cariboo country, with illustrations.

The National Ore & Reduction Co., of St. Louis, Mo., have closed a contract with Mac-

Farlane & Co., of Vancouver, for the exclusive sale of their furnaces in British Columbia. These furnaces are spoken very highly of by mining men.

## Binder Twine in the United States.

"Binder twine stiffens up. The demand unprecedented. Probabilities that prices will go higher as a shortage in supply is imminent." This is the heading to an article on binder twine from the Minneapolis Journal of June 20. The Journal goes on to speak as follows:

"Owing to the promise of another heavy crop of small grains there is an almost unprecedented demand for binder twine; this summer, and the various factories throughout the country are finding it hard work to supply the trade. The binder twine department of the state prison at Stillwater is overrun with orders. Already 1,000,000 pounds of twine have been shipped from that point, and orders for a like amount are still unfilled.

There is always more or less uncertainty or irregularity in the twine market. The prices now have an upward tendency and the supply in very apt to run short before the season closes.

The straw production this year averages much higher than it has for several years past, and in consequence more twine will be needed. Orders came in very slowly, and the manufacturers fell behind in their output. Since then sisal and hemp have been cornered by eastern firms, which tends to raise the price of twine considerably. The price of manito fibre remains about the same.

On the whole there will be no over supply of twine, unless considerable damage should be suffered by crops before harvest time.

## Winnipeg Clearing House.

Clearings for the week ending June 25, were \$835,190; balances, \$190,804. For the previous week clearings were \$955,903. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were \$859,860 and for the week two years ago, \$791,097. For the month of May clearings were \$1,246,210 as compared with \$1,156,282 for April, 1895, and \$3,455,639 for May, 1894. Clearances for all Canadian cities this week were as follows:

Montreal.....	\$ 8,918,810
Toronto.....	5,979,408
Halifax.....	921,740
Winnipeg.....	835,190
Hamilton.....	675,305
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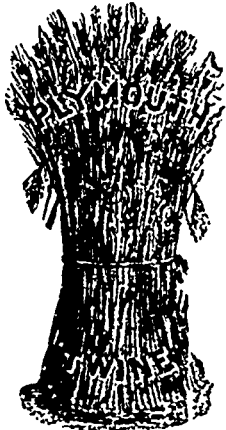
## Minneapolis Flour Market.

The Market Record of June 18 reports flour very dull for export trade. Prices are as follows in barrels, f. o. b.: First patents, \$3.15 to \$3.40; Second patents, \$3.00 to \$3.10; First clears, \$2.45 to \$2.50; second clear, \$2; Export baker's, \$2.45; second export baker's \$2 to \$2.10; Red Dog, per ton 140 lbs. jute, \$10.50 to \$10.75. These prices are 10c lower than two weeks ago for patents.

Milstuffs.—Bran in bulk \$1.75 to \$5.00. Bran in sacks, 200 lbs, \$5.50 to \$6.00 Bran in sacks, 100 lbs, \$6.00 to \$6.50; Shorts, \$5.00; Middlings, fine, \$7.25 to \$7.75.

Prof. Fletcher, etomologist and botanist at the experimental farm, Ottawa, arrived in Winnipeg last week. He will address meetings throughout the country on noxious weeds.

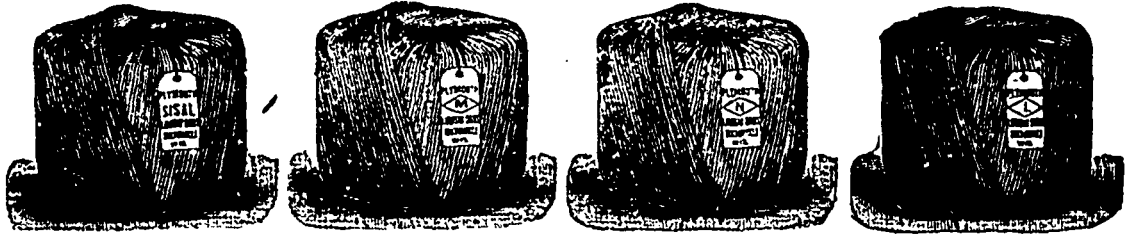
A detailed and illustrated programme of attractions and sports of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition Association will shortly be issued and can be obtained free on application to the manager, F. W. Heubach, box 1848, Winnipeg.



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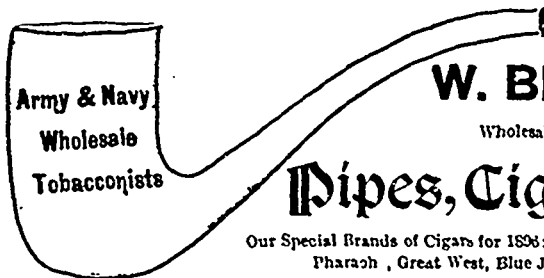
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**Grocery Trade Notes.**

The California Fruit Grower says "The stock of prunes remaining on hand is limited to about 90 cars, and these are fast going into consumption, but at low prices. The general market is weak in tone and we learn of sales at less than a 8 cent basis for the four sizes. As to the growing crop, conditions are at present favorable for a larger crop than last season. This may all change before the month of June has passed. In the great San Joaquin Valley, where the crop was a failure last year, this season promises a good crop. The Santa Clara Valley promises a larger crop than last season, while some sections in the north are short. Indications point to more than 60,000,000 pounds cured prunes for crop of 1896. Oregon prunes are largely a failure this season. Europe reports the promise of a good crop."

A New York report says of the molasses market: "The Porto Rico crop is practically finished. Owing to the poor quality of Barbadoes molasses this year, very little if any has been shipped to the United States. Prices have declined owing to the lack of demand for such poor quality as has come to hand. As a result of this prices in Barbadoes have declined about 50 per cent. from the figures ruling at the opening of the season, when they were at the highest point. Advices from Porto Rico May 23 estimate that the value of the crop is very much short and is not above 1,500 hhds, and since that date about one-third of this supply has been contracted for.

The supply of loose California raisins on the coast available for f.o.b. shipments was, at last mail advices, said to be between ten and fifteen cars. The vines have been making good growth since the frosts and indications point to a good crop.

A letter received from California under date of June 12 confirms previous reports that the prune crop will be larger than that of last year. A lot of twenty cars sold at San Jose on June 11 to go to Philadelphia at the rate of 2 1/2 c f.o.b. for the four sizes.

**Hides, Wool etc.**

The Montreal Trade Bulletin of June 19 says: "Business is very quiet in the wool trade this week. Some of the mills have already closed down and their proprietors are electioneering for all they are worth, while other mills are doing very little. Some old stock Texas wool has been offering in this market as low as 7 1/2 c to 10c, but even at these low figures, buyers could not be found. Prices are unchanged and we quote:—Greasy Cape 14c to 16c; Natal 15c to 17c; Washed Canadian fleeces 19 1/2 c to 20c, Buenos Ayres scoured 27 to 35."

The Toronto market is quiet, all offerings are being taken by local tanners. Butchers' No. 1 are quoted at 5 1/2 c, No. 2 at 4c and No. 2 at 8c. Lambskins, quiet at 30c and pelts at 15c. Horsehides, \$1.50 to \$1.75 each. Tallow, 3 1/2 c to 3 3/4 c—Globe, June 19.

The Toronto Globe of June 19 says: "The receipts of wool are liberal but the purchases are purely speculative. So far as Canada is concerned clothing wools are neglected by the manufacturers. A good deal has been carried over from last year. Local buyers advise caution and say that the country dealers should be careful not to pay more than the present situation warrants, and that wools bought should be free from chaff, seeds and burrs. There is no inquiry for export, the market is dull. The following prices are being paid to farmers,—From 17 to 18c for unwashed merchantable fleeco, 14 to 15c for rejections, 17c for tub washed and 10c to 11c for unwashed. Northwest wools are being sold to manufacturers—short fine at 9c to 10c, medium fine 10c to 11c and coarse wools from 11c to 12c."

**Grain and Milling Notes.**

The E. D. Moore elevator at Rosebank, Man., has been destroyed by fire with 8,000 bushels of wheat. Covered by insurance.

The Lake of the Woods Milling Co. report the sale of 22,400 bushels of No. 1 hard Manitoba wheat for shipment via Vancouver. This is the fourth sale of this kind made this season.

On looking over the list of mills in Montevideo, says the Northwestern Miller's special correspondent, I was somewhat surprised to find 18, and some of them are of fairly large size, the Molino Italiano of Gianelli, for instance, being able to turn out 1,200 sacks of 140 lbs. each in 24 hours. The mills of Montevideo form a fairly large percentage of all the mills in Uruguay, there being some 62 in the country outside of the city.

The Northern elevator at Neche, North Dakota, just across from Grotna, Man., was struck by lightning and destroyed by fire on Sunday last.

The flour market, says the Montreal Gazette of June 13, is somewhat demoralized at present and a further cut of 15c to 25c has been made in the price for Manitoba grades, recent sales of strong baker's have been made at \$3.80 to \$3.50, and spring patent at \$3.75 to \$3.85, while there has also been a decline of 5c to 10c in prices for Ontario grades. Straight roller has changed hands in car lots at \$3.60, and winter patent at \$3.80 to \$4.

Bran and shorts declined 50c per ton at Montreal on June 13, to \$10.50 to \$11 for bran and \$11.50 to \$12 for shorts.

**Dry Goods Trade Notes.**

Bradstreet's of June 20, says of the situation in the United States: "The market continues quiet, with business confined to clearing up lots at low prices. Cotton fabrics are dull and depressed, and in order to attract buyers very low figures have to be named. Fancy prints have been opened in dark styles for fall at 5c., but few have been bought as yet. Gingham are dull and only appear to sell through the aid of drives. The Lancaster and Amoskeag companies have advanced their price to 5c. Dress wools are dull, with business very slow and unsatisfactory. There is more activity in flannels, which are being taken for fall at low prices."

**Financial and Insurance Items**

E. H. Hayward, secretary of the Manitoba board of underwriters, has written the Winnipeg board of works, urging that immediate action be taken to improve the streets of the city.

At a recent meeting of the finance committee of the Winnipeg city council, the tenders for the purchase of city of Winnipeg debentures amounting to \$46,500 were opened. This amount is divided up between Winnipeg Industrial exhibition and the construction of the Osborne street bridge, \$30,000 going to the former and \$16,500 to the latter. The following tenders were received: W. H. Cooper, \$101.50; Yorkshire Guarantee and Securities Corporation, \$98.56; James Meldrum, \$101.55; Hanson Bros., \$102.06; O. H. Nanton, \$100.55. Three other firms tendered in lump sums, viz.: H. O'Hara, \$46,616; A. E. Ames & Co., \$47,151; G. A. Stinson & Co., \$47,806. These debentures run for a term of 35 years and bear 4 per cent. interest, payable half yearly at Winnipeg. The tender of Hanson Bros., of Montreal, was accepted.

Two more incendiary fires were started in Winnipeg on Wednesday morning last, like the others being vacant residences. One owned by Gerald F. Brophy, valued at \$6,000,

was burned; insured. The other was not seriously damaged.

**Wheat Stocks.**

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended June 20, 1896, shows a decrease of 667,000 bushels, against a decrease of 1,764,000 for the corresponding week last year, a decrease of 543,000 bushels the corresponding week two years ago, and a decrease of 497,000 bushels three years ago.

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.	1894.	1893.	1892.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.
Jan. 2...	89,581,000	80,228,000	81,238,000	45,907,000
Feb. 5...	83,376,000	79,883,000	81,892,000	43,181,000
Mar. 4...	78,765,000	75,569,000	79,083,000	41,556,000
Apr. 1...	74,303,000	71,458,000	77,654,000	41,030,000
May. 6...	62,196,000	65,166,000	73,069,000	58,190,000
June 3...	52,229,000	59,394,000	71,030,000	57,910,000
July 1...	44,561,000	54,567,000	62,316,000	24,262,000
Aug. 8...	35,617,000	60,001,000	59,424,000	23,079,000
Sept. 7...	36,754,000	69,168,000	56,140,000	33,769,000
Oct. 7...	41,832,000	73,614,000	63,276,000	51,256,000
Nov. 4...	53,990,000	80,047,000	71,396,000	64,717,000
Dec. 3...	63,903,000	85,179,000	78,091,000	72,580,000

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

	1896.	1894.	1893.	1892.
Jan. 4...	69,842,000	87,836,000	79,963,000	81,789,000
" 11...	63,845,000	85,015,000	80,433,000	82,680,000
" 18...	67,923,000	85,286,000	80,832,000	82,227,900
" 25...	67,623,000	84,665,000	80,234,000	81,487,000
Feb. 1...	66,734,000	83,376,000	79,883,000	81,330,000
" 8...	66,119,000	82,822,000	79,650,000	80,973,000
" 15...	65,926,000	80,733,000	78,667,000	80,214,000
" 22...	65,011,010	79,476,000	77,257,000	79,453,000
March 1...	64,089,000	78,701,000	75,569,000	79,083,000
" 7...	62,646,000	77,717,000	74,607,000	79,103,000
" 14...	62,123,000	76,873,000	73,359,000	79,020,000
" 21...	61,348,000	75,773,000	72,163,000	78,203,000
" 28...	61,018,000	74,308,000	71,458,000	77,654,000
April 4...	60,322,000	72,703,000	70,762,000	77,293,000
" 11...	59,330,000	70,457,000	69,217,000	76,089,000
" 18...	58,483,000	68,626,000	68,426,000	74,363,000
" 25...	57,946,000	65,776,000	66,533,000	73,027,000
May 2...	55,619,000	62,190,000	65,156,000	73,069,000
" 9...	54,000,000	59,623,000	63,511,000	72,723,000
" 16...	53,146,000	56,484,000	62,044,000	71,526,000
" 23...	51,298,000	54,244,000	61,319,000	70,159,000
" 30...	50,540,000	52,229,000	59,394,000	70,367,000
June 6...	50,147,000	49,739,000	58,211,000	68,664,000
" 13...	49,486,000	47,717,000	47,106,000	66,375,000
" 20...	48,819,000	46,225,000	45,852,000	63,031,000

Bradstreet's report of stocks of wheat in Canada on June 13 is as follows:

	Bushels.
Montreal.....	456,000
Toronto.....	98,000
Kingston.....	25,000
Winnipeg.....	150,000
Manitoba interior elevators.....	750,000
Fort William, Port Arthur & Keewatin.....	2,074,000

Total stocks in the United States and Canada as reported by Bradstreet's were as follows, on June 13 1896:

	Bushels.
East of the Mountains.....	65,180,000
Pacific Coast.....	2,556,000
Total stocks a year ago were:	bushels.
East of the Mountains.....	58,474,000
Pacific Coast.....	8,445,000

Bradstreet's report for the week ended June 20, shows a decrease of 1,723,000 bushels in stocks of wheat east of the mountains, making the total 63,453,000 bushels on the latter date.

Worlds stocks of wheat on June 1, 1896, (United States, Canada, in Europe and Africa for Europe) were 117,969,000 bushels, as compared with 141,476,000 bushels on June 1, 1895, 160,892,000 bushels on June 1, 1894, 167,183,000 bushels on that date in 1893, and as contrasted with 120,170,000 bushels on June 1, 1892, and with smaller totals on June 1 in preceding years.

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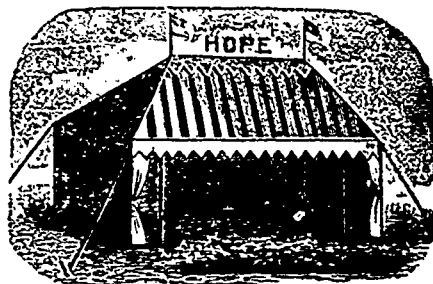
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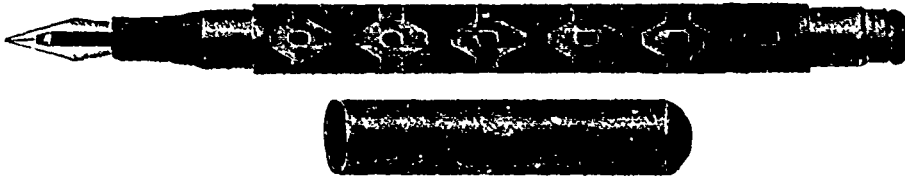
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### Road-Making.

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**Drainage.**—Perfect drainage, first, of the foundation of the road-bed; secondly, of the road surface, are the points in road-making on which too much stress cannot be laid.

The first is accomplished by underdrainage, tile drains being laid at a depth of three or more feet below the surface on each side of the roadbed at the foot of the grade and parallel to it. Care should be taken to fit and settle the tile in the trench so that, when refilling with earth they will not be displaced. As a rule two and a half inch to four inch tile will be sufficient. The joints should be close and the grade a true line. Loose joints and an uneven grade allow silt to pass into the tile and remain there, destroying the drain.

Surface drainage is accomplished by open drains on each side of the grade, having sufficient capacity to drain, not only the road-bed, but the land adjoining. With open drains and with tile drains make and maintain a free outlet to the nearest watercourse. A drain without an outlet is useless. In constructing a good road a dry foundation is the matter of first importance.

**Crowning the Road.**—The graded portion of the road should be wide enough to accommodate the travel upon it, and not greater, the slope being uniform, not heaped in the centre. The crown should be well above the overflow of storm water, and should have a grade sufficient to shed water readily to the open ditches on either side. Do not round it up so as to make the grade steep and dangerous, under the mistaken impression that better drainage will thereby be secured. Nor should it be so low as to allow water to stand upon it in depressions. Under ordinary circumstances one inch or one inch and a half to the foot is a proper grade; that is, a roadbed twenty-six feet wide should be from thirteen to twenty inches higher at the centre than at the side.

**Quality of Gravel.**—The gravel should preferably be sharp, clean and of uniform size. Pitt gravel usually contains too much earthy matter, and where the latter is in excess, the gravel, as a road-making material, is useless. Lake gravel is apt to be rounded, water-worn and lacking in the necessary earthy matter to make a solid and compact surface, but is generally a better road metal than pit gravel. A coating of pit gravel with a surface of creek gravel is a good combination. All large stones should be removed as they will work to the surface, and will then roll loosely or form rough protuberances.

**Placing the Gravel.**—The gravel should be spread evenly over the surface of the sub-grade to a depth of six or eight inches, and to

the required width, then rolled with a heavy roller. Rolling should be performed in showery weather, as it is impossible to consolidate dry earth or gravel. The heavier the roller the better will be the results, but if a heavy roller cannot be obtained, a light roller is much better than none. The roller should be passed over the surface until the gravel or earth is so compact as not to be displaced and rutted by the wheels of a wagon passing over it with an ordinary load. The surface must be maintained smooth and hard, to shed water and resist wear. Every municipality should have a roller, but whether one can be obtained or not the gravel should not be left in a heap just as it falls from the wagon. Spread it evenly.

**Repairs.**—Gravel roads already constructed will need repair. By the use of road machinery scrape the surface and cut off the corners, which will have formed at the foot of the grade by the washing down of dusty material from the crown of the road. Loosen the surface, particularly that part of the travelled portion and where the road is rutted, with pick, or, if possible, with road machinery, then apply a coating of gravel and roll thoroughly. It is of more importance, however, to see that the drains are not obstructed in their course and that their outlets are free and open.

### Imported Woollens.

The prospects of improved trade in woollens has created a feeling of confidence. Buyers are not afraid to place orders for choice materials at good prices, while other trades demanding lower lines will buy them when they are nobby and attractive goods. Those who are doing a nice trade have placed sufficient orders they think to protect themselves, finding from past experience if they did not do so their business suffered. Some buyers are showing great care in their selections, and are taking small lots, expecting to replace only good sellers. Buyers are not likely to make any mistake in placing their orders for new and desirable goods. Prices are firm, with not much chance of any drop in value. This season shows only a moderate increase. Local buyers on last fall's original orders were able to place orders before the rise. The prices of the last six months are fully maintained. The market will not be overstocked this season with desirable goods. The general opinion is that job goods will be less offered than formerly. Orders received to date are very satisfactory. May and June payments have been good, showing that trade is in a healthy condition. Merchant tailors have added to their chances of success by reducing their prices of suits. What they are asking now is at least 25 per cent. less than a few years ago. This was done in order to meet competition, and is having a good effect.

The leading make of imported woollens for the past spring was Scotch tweeds. Cheviot finish or rough goods will continue good sellers for the fall. They will be shown in some ranges, and in larger patterns, a little more pronounced. Other lines will have a neat, quiet effect. Colors will be rich, warm and handsome, but not startling. Green and tan mixtures are looked upon as being extra good. Blue and drabs and browns are all represented. Red is intermixed with all colorings, and gives them a warm appearance. Some smart lines in Scotch suitings have a moderate neutral over-check. These over-checks are made in subdued colors and occasionally rendered in red, green, gold, etc., but not very pronounced. Scotch tweeds will be worn for business and ordinary wear, while for dressy occasions there is a feeling for Oxford and the lighter greys in the soft vicuna makes in good quality, both for a frock coat and vest, with neat worsted trousers as of yore, as well as for general wear in suits throughout. At the opening of last season it was thought that small pin-head worsteds would have a fair show with Scotch tweeds, and buyer's anticipations were not disappointed. Stocks are very low on these lines. Some pretty, neat and genteel effects are shown for the fall trade in worsted mixtures, embracing a large variety in fancy and grey mixes, to which is added for this season a clear black and white. Black twill worsteds are still having their usual large demand, with the satin finish making coming next.—*Toronto Globe.*

### Southern Manitoba Freights.

Considerable inconvenience has been caused to Winnipeg wholesalers in filling orders promptly from Southern Manitoba points, owing to the way orders come in. For instance, there is only one way freight over the Glenboro branch each week, which leaves Winnipeg at an early hour Thursday morning. The orders for goods from this line usually come in with the try-weekly mail on Tuesday night. This gives only one day to fill all the orders for the week on this line, and as Wednesday is a very busy day, there is great difficulty in getting transfer wagons to deliver the freight in time for the early freight on Thursday morning. If this train is missed the goods have to be held over for a full week. Country merchants along the Glenboro branch would assist the wholesale houses here and also ensure the prompt receipt of goods, if they would send in their orders by Saturday's mail, thus giving reasonable time to pack and deliver goods to the railway in time for the regular weekly freight train. On the Deloraine branch the regular weekly way freight leaves Winnipeg early on Monday, so that orders for the train should be sent in by Thursdays tri-weekly mail over that branch.

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Following is a condensed statement of the platform of the Republican party of the United States, declared at the St. Louis convention:

We renew and emphasize our allegiance to the policy of protection; reciprocity, we believe the repeal of the reciprocity arrangements negotiated by the last Republican administration was a national calamity, and we demand their renewal; money, the Republican party is unreservedly for sound money. We unalterably opposed every measure calculated to debase our currency or impair the credit of our country. Therefore we are opposed to the free coinage of silver; foreign relations, our foreign policy should be at all times firm, vigorous and dignified that all our interests in the western hemisphere be carefully watched and guarded; Hawaiian islands should be controlled by the United States and no foreign power should be permitted to interfere with them; Nicaragua canal should be built, owned and operated by the United States and by the purchase of the Danish islands we should secure a much needed naval station in the West Indies; Armenian massacres, the massacres of Armenians have aroused deep sympathy and just indignation of American people who believe the United States should exercise all the influence it can properly exert to bring these atrocities to an end; Munroe doctrine—we re-assert the Monroe doctrine to its full extent and re-affirm the right of the United States to give the doctrine effect by responding to appeals of any American state for friendly intervention in case of European encroachment. We have not interfered; shall not interfere with the existing possessions of any European power in this hemisphere, but those possessions must not on any pretext be extended. We hopefully

look forward to the eventual withdrawal of the European powers from this hemisphere and to the ultimate union of all English speaking parts of the continent by free consent of its inhabitants; Cuba, we watch with deep abiding interest the heroic battle of Cuban patriots against cruelty and oppression, and our best hopes go out for full success in their determined contest for liberty. The government of Spain having lost control of Cuba, and being unable to protect the property or lives of resident American citizens, or comply with treaty obligations, we believe the government of the United States should actually use its influence and good offices to restore peace and give independence to the island; the navy, the peace and security of the republic and the maintenance of its rightful influence among nations of the earth, demand a naval power commensurate with its position of responsibility. Therefore we favor, continued enlargement of our navy and a complete system of harbor sea coast defences; foreign immigration, for the protection of the quality of the American citizenship and the wages of our workmen against low priced labor, we demand the immigration laws be thoroughly enforced and so extended as to exclude entrance to the United States of those who can neither read nor write; lynchings, we proclaim unqualified condemnation of the uncivilized and barbarous practice known as lynching; national arbitration, we favor the creation of a national board of arbitration to settle and adjust differences that arise between employers and employees engaged in interstate commerce.

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**Credit System.**

At the recent general meeting of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, in his excellent address, Mr Hague, general manager, referred to credit in the following words:

If you have a bad system of credit, or a good system badly worked; if credit is unwisely given, or if it is too long extended; if a huge superstructure of credit is built on a slender basis of capital, no matter how large your imports and exports and railway traffic, you will have a bad state of things in the realm of credit, and particularly in those vast credit-giving institutions, the banks.

Bankers may well take some blame to themselves in this matter; at the same time, in justice it must be said that they are sometimes compelled to do what they would rather not do.

Customers of banks, when they give too extended credit, generally want too much credit from their bankers, especially in the way of discounting long paper, and borrowing by way of long advances.

Our own discounts were never so high as they have been this year.

The discounts of the banks as a whole, were never so high.

We are not in such a period of stagnation as leads money to accumulate in banks while mercantile borrowers don't want it.

They do want it, and have pressed for it. The fact is that many people have been leaning too heavily upon their bankers for some time back. They in turn, have been allowing their customers to lean too heavily upon them.

Finally, the retailer has allowed his customers to run up too heavy accounts in his books, and also has carried too large a stock upon his shelves himself.

The whole system of credit in Canada wants a revision.

Nearly all persons who buy and sell goods on credit are complaining that they have made no profit during the last year or two. In fact there is a good deal of living upon capital going on.

Business expenses and losses eat up all that is made by selling goods. And let it never be forgotten that the average amount of losses is always aggravated by the length of credit given.

If such a thing could be brought about as a general cutting down of the length of credit one-half, the result would be a cutting down of losses one-half. And the result of that again would be that many a business which now yields no profit at all would return a fair remuneration for the capital invested.

It is seldom that I have referred to our neighbors in the States as furnishing us with good examples of business methods. And in the matter of sound finance and a good banking system we have certainly nothing to learn. But we may with advantage take a leaf from their book in the matter of credit giving. Such terms as are given in Canada are entirely unknown the other side of the line. Credit there is much shorter, to the great advantage of both seller and buyer.

**Literary Notes.**

Massey's Magazine for June comes to hand this week with a handsome cover and a fine frontispiece portrait of Sir John Everett Millais, P.R.A. This new Canadian Magazine gives additional evidence of rapidly becoming popular. In addition to the frontispiece an article is devoted to the new president of the Royal Academy, with many illustrations. From Gibraltar to the Pyrenees, by Mary H. Reid, is continued, and follows a story by J. J. Gunn, "On the trail of a P. Lice." "The Paddlers Paradise is an

interesting report of a canoeing expedition in Northern Ontario. Robert Burns, the Immortal Bard of Scotland, is dealt with in a biographical sketch by Prof. Wm. Clark. There is a paper on "Cycling." "A glimpse of the Azores" by Norman Macvicar and other articles and stories. The usual departments are replete with interesting notes.

The summer number of the Delineator has several new departures. First is the addition of two superb colored plates—one devoted to Ladies' Misses' and Children's fashions, and one to millinery and its accessories. The regular millinery department is enlarged. The magazine has been given a handsome new cover, and it is printed on finer paper. Another innovation is the first half of a story by Julia Magruder. In addition to illustrated resume of the season's fashions, this number is one making special appeal to young mothers, Dr. A. R. Schroeder discussing the care of the baby's health in summer, and an illustrated article devoted to infantile attire. Woman's Opportunities are broadly considered by Mary Cadwalader Jones. Dr. F. J. Levisour continues his talks on Beauty. There is a paper on the furnishing and decoration of dining rooms, by Frances Leeds, and the departments devoted to tea table chat, seasonable cookery, household sanitation, new books, fancy stitches and embroideries, lace making, knitting, tatting, etc. The Delineator Publishing Co., 33 Richmond St., West, Toronto, Ont.

**Montreal Grocery Market.**

The course of the sugar market during the past week has been towards lower prices, which is due principally to the continued liquidation on the part of long holders of the raw article. The New York market for the refined article has also been weaker, and granulated is now quoted at 4 3/4c. In sympathy with the above the weaker feeling noted last week in this market for refined has continued and refiners have made a further reduction of 3/4c per lb in the price for granulated and 1-16c in low grade yellows. Outside holders of granulated state that the best obtainable from buyers are 4 1/2c, which figure holders refuse to accept, 4 3/4c being their price. There has been a slight improvement in the demand, and the market is rather more active, but refiners state that the movement is far from what it should be at this season. We quote: Granulated at 4 3/4c in 250 barrel lots and over; 4 7-16 in 100-barrel lots, and 4 1/2c in smaller quantities. Yellows range from 3 3/4c to 3 1/2c, as to quality, at the factory.

There was no change in the situation of the market for syrup, business being quiet and prices steady at 1 1/4 to 2 3/4c per lb as to quality at the factory.

The only feature in the molasses market this week is a sale of a cargo of 600 puncheons of Barbadoes on local account, at 27 3/4c. At the Island prices are unchanged at 10c. The Guild prices are 30c for car lots and 31c for small quantities. There is no demand for Porto Rico, and prices are nominally quoted at 50c.

A fair business continues to be done in rice, their being a good demand for small lots to fill actual requirements, and values are unchanged. We quote:—Japan standard, \$1.25 to \$1.30, crystal Japan, \$1.75 to \$3.00, standard B., \$3.45, Patna, \$1.25 to \$3, and Carolina at \$6.50 to \$7.50.

There was no improvement in the spice market, business being quiet and prices rule remarkably steady. The following quotations are what jobbers can buy at only. Penang black pepper, 6 to 7 1/2c, white pepper, 10c to 12 1/2c, cloves, 7 1/2 to 9c, cassia, 8 1/2 to 9 1/2c, nutmegs, 60 to 90c, and Jamaica ginger, 15 1/2 to 18 3/4c.—Globe, June 19.

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