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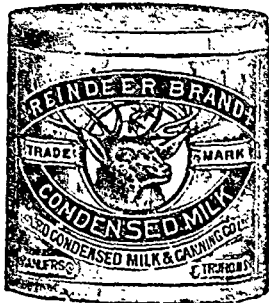
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WINNIPEG, SEPTEMBER 9, 1895.

Manitoba.

Portage merchants now provide stabling free for their country customers.

Bell & Hanley have opened a butcher shop at Boissevain.

Newby & Harrison, of Holland, are building a new hardware store.

W. R. Shields, blacksmith, Manitou, has dissolved with his partner and is now carrying on the business alone.

Hoover & Co. are opening a general store at Franklin, on the Manitoba Northwestern railway. M. A. Hoover will be manager.

This is the way the Pilot Mound Sentinel takes of showing the superiority of Manitoba pastures over those of the Eastern provinces. It says: "Some lots of Ontario's half-starved cattle have been brought to Manitoba and the much surprised animals have been turned loose on the fine pasture lands in the neighborhood of Newdale."

The tenders for a steam roller for the Winnipeg civic board were as follows: R. E. H. Gardner-Buckner, representing Aveling & Porter, of Rochester, Kent, England, offering a single roller for \$3,450; a double for \$3,900; Kelly Bros., offering a roller, single, of the Enterprise Manufacturing Co., Columbus, Ohio, for \$3,785, the Waterous Engine Co., offering a Buffalo Pitt steam roller, double, for \$4,890. It was decided to accept the tender of Gardner-Buckner for \$3,900.

The department of agriculture has sent to Toronto a carload of agricultural products gathered from different parts of the province to be exhibited at the Toronto and other leading fairs in Ontario. The collection is comprised in the main of grain in the straw and native grasses. A lot of vegetables, etc., will be sent later to supplement the collection. The Canadian Pacific railway immigration officials in the east will take charge of the exhibit.

The Riddle Manufacturing company is applying for incorporation. This is the biscuit and confectionery business now carried on in Winnipeg by Rublee, Riddle & Co. The same firm will carry on the incorporated business, but it will be distinct from the wholesale fruit business now carried on by this firm.

Assiniboia.

W. Binning, storekeeper, Lumsden, has moved into the large store formerly occupied by T. B. Hill, and is preparing to do a large trade this winter. He has also been appointed grain buyer for Phillipps & Richardson, who own the elevator there. Mr. Hill and family have gone west.

Saskatchewan.

A. G. McDonald, a fish dealer from Detroit, Mich., has been up at Prince Albert looking into the prospect of securing fish from that region. A good many fish are taken in the lakes north of Prince Albert in the winter, and Mr. McDonald will likely send a buyer in the winter, when they can be shipped out in a frozen state.

BRITISH COLUMBIA BUSINESS REVIEW

Vancouver, Sept. 8, 1895.

For the past week business has shown considerable improvement and money is easier than it has been for twelve months and should the improvement continue a short time longer, collections will be good. New hay is coming in in large quantities and the price will be much lower. Potatoes are rather weak at \$8 to \$10. The fruit market is constantly changing at this season; the latest prices are as follows: British Columbia greengages 80cts. British Columbia egg plums 50 to 60cts. Apricots and raspberries are out of the market. Local apples have taken the place of the foreign article and are quoted at 75cents a box, whilst California apples are selling a \$1.35. Tomatoes are selling at \$2.00 a box and California pears at \$2.00 a box. The salmon canning season is at an end, and although the pack will be larger than last year, it will not be so profitable to the canners owing to the low prices prevailing in London. Although the cannery business brings two or three million dollars into the province every year, the province does not reap the full benefit, for besides the enormous amount that goes out of the province for food stuffs, a portion of the cannery business is run with borrowed capital, and the banks get a handsome slice in the way of interest, etc. The big leak, however, is occasioned by the province not being able to supply the home market with farm produce—which occasions sending out of the province each year a large sum of money—is being gradually stopped up, the drain this year not being nearly so heavy as previous years. The fruit crop has been unusually large, which has materially checked the import of California fruit and enabled fruit growers to ship comparatively heavy consignments to the Territories. The hay and grain crop also promise a bountiful yield, whilst potatoes are in excess of the demand. As for dairy produce, another year will no doubt see several creameries established, as the success of the first one in the Delta district has been beyond the most sanguine expectations and at the present time the Dominion dairy commissioners are in the province, with their travelling dairy instructing the farmers how to make butter profitably. So that with the mining and lumber industries prospering the outlook for the province seems at present favorable.

British Columbia Business Notes

The New England Fish Co., have chartered two large steamers of the Union Steamship Co. here, the Capilano and Coquitlam, for the purpose of embarking in the halibut fishing industry. A large number of British subjects must be employed in this venture so that the enterprise will be a benefit to the province, although the joint fishing com-

mission have reported that from present indication the wholesale taking of halibut in shallow waters, will eventually drive the fish from these shores.

Wisconsin lumber men are spying out lumber in the province. The party consist of F. B. Hickson, president of the Scott Lumber Co. of Merrill, Wis.; H. H. Foster, secretary of the same company; Messrs. Anson and Landers, president and secretary of the Gillsey and Anson Lumber Co., Merrill, Wis.; A. H. Stang, president of the Stang Manufacturing Co., Merrill; C. F. Dunbar, president of the Wasau Chair Manufacturing, Wasau, Wis.; Messrs. Stewart and Alexander, president and secretary of the Alexander-Stewart Lumber Co., Wasau, and John Daly, of the firm of Daly and Oday, loggers, Wasau. The capitalists are after timber limits but according to the law they will have to work any limits that they may secure through mills in the province. It is thought they will either buy or erect mills of their own.

Sturgeon are being caught in nets in the Fraser River, without injury to the nets. Ten sturgeon aggregating a ton and a half were caught in one drift this week and the net uninjured. If it is practicable to catch sturgeon in salmon nets it will revolutionise sturgeon fishing here.

The grain merchants of the province have made arrangements to handle all the hay and oats in the province at prices that will shut out foreign competition.

Prof. Prince, Dominion Fishery Commissioner, has been tirelessly at work since arriving, and his collection of fishery specimens have reached enormous dimensions. Great good is expected to result from Prof. Prince's visit.

One hundred men left here this week engaged on a contract to clear the right of way for a thirteen mile extension of the Arrow Lake branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Another effort on the part of the Canadian Pacific to save the wealth of the Great Kootenay's for Canada, whilst looking for their share of the profits when they come.

Silver.

A slight advance in prices is noted, without any particular reason to account for it. Silver prices on Aug. 30 were: London, 30 9-16d.; New York, 67c.

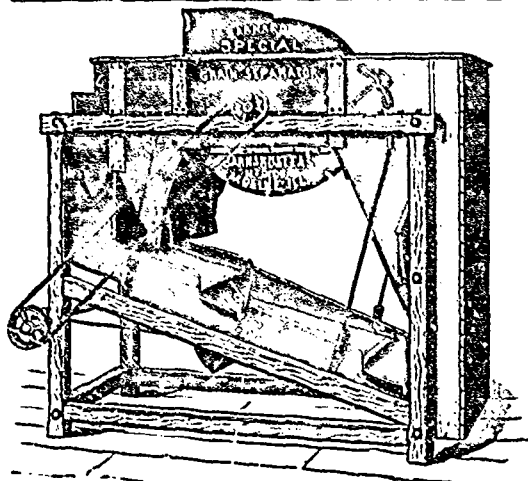
A carload of grains, vegetables and native fruits from Manitoba and the Territories has been sent east by the Canadian Pacific railway land department for distribution at the Montreal and Toronto fairs. After these fairs close the exhibit will be divided up and sent to the smaller exhibitions in the counties of Ontario and Quebec.

Waghorn's Guide for September is well up to its usual excellence and affords complete time cards and tables of travel sailing lists and rates of passage &c, officially corrected to date. Full particulars of the game laws are given.

A lumber yard will be opened at Qu'Appelle, Assa., by Mr. Lidgate, who has lately arrived from British Columbia.

British Grain Trade.

The Mark Lane Express of Sept. 2, in its review of the British grain trade, says: Old English wheats have declined slowly to 1s 6d below new wheats, the average price of which has been 26s. Foreign wheats dropped 6d under large supplies. Linseed has fallen 6d. To-day now English wheats sold at 26s to 30s,



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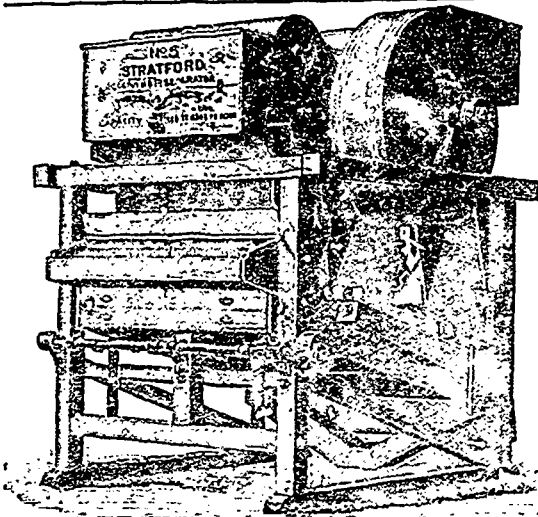
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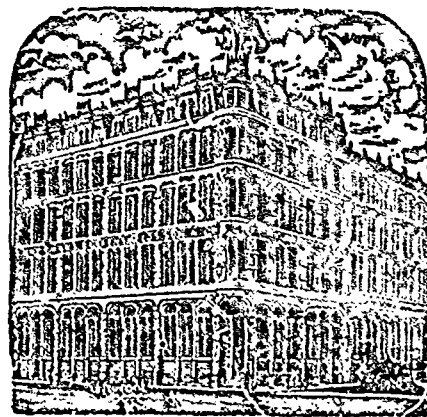
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NO. 1 HARD OUR STAPLE.

Some people down East are bound to make Manitoba's wheat crop go into the northern grades this year, whether it will or not. Last week we referred to a statement which came from Ottawa, to the effect that our crop would grade mostly No. 1 northern this year. Now the Montreal Trade Bulletin comes to hand with the information (?) that a "considerable portion of the Manitoba crop has been secured, and that most of it will grade No. 1 northern." These easterners are evidently laboring under the erroneous impression that No. 1 northern is the staple grade of wheat produced in Manitoba. To show how far astray they are, we may say that all the northern grades combined—No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3—have not aggregated ten per cent. of the crop in any one year for the past four years. The crop of 1891 graded 7.40 per cent. of northern. Of the crop of 1893 only 5 per cent. went into the northern grades. Of the crop of 1892 the northern grades took 9½ per cent., and only 5 per cent. went into the northern grades in 1891. These figures are from the official returns of the inspection of wheat at Winnipeg for the crop years mentioned above. The proportion of hard wheat during the same years was as follows: Year 1891, 80.10 per cent.; 1893, 85 per cent.; 1892, 65 per cent.; 1891, 40 per cent. This shows that the staple product of Manitoba is hard wheat, and not northern grades. The smaller percentage of hard wheat in 1891 was owing to special grades having been necessary that year on account of damage of a portion of the crop by frost. The Trade Bulletin can know positively nothing as to how the crop will grade this year, and these statements to the effect that it will grade mostly No. 1 northern are utter nonsonso.

CANADIAN CATTLE FOR CHICAGO.

From the Macleod Gazette we learn that a movement has been on foot to secure the entry of Canadian range cattle into the Chicago market. The difficulty in the way is the quarantine regulations. In order to secure the removal of this obstruction, the editor of the Gazette communicated with the president of the Great Northern railway company, and the latter gentleman took the matter up with the Washington authorities. The effort, however, has not been successful. Mr. Morton, secretary of the department of Agriculture at Washington, writes as follows in reply to Mr. Hill, of the Great Northern. "It has been considered necessary for the protection of the cattle of this country from contagious disease, that cattle imported from Canada should be quarantined for three months at the boundary line, in order to determine whether they are infected with any contagious disease. Every section of Canada

is thought by its inhabitants to be free from such disease, and yet the government of Great Britain insists that dangerous contagious diseases prevail among the cattle of Canada, and on that account Canadian cattle are prohibited from entering the open markets of that country. If Great Britain finds that it is necessary for the protection of her cattle to prohibit the entrance of such animals from Canada, it is certainly necessary, for the protection of our cattle industry, that a quarantine be maintained. * * * I regret that these considerations prevent me from removing the quarantine regulations at this time." "It will be inferred from the foregoing," says the Gazette, "that, if the English embargo were removed, the United States quarantine would be relaxed so as to admit our cattle to the Chicago market." The Great Northern would of course be a considerable gainer through the admission of our range cattle to the Chicago market. The British government evidently does not intend to take any steps to remove the embargo on Canadian cattle, and this being the case it would certainly be in the interest of Western Canada at least to have free access to the Chicago market. We have been told for years back that we must keep up a strict quarantine against the United States, so as to secure the removal of the embargo upon our cattle in Great Britain. It might be well now to drop that idea and try to arrange with the United States for the opening of their markets to our cattle.

A CHEAP STOCK COUNTRY.

ONE of the peculiarities of the present season is the cross-wise movement of live stock. Train loads of cattle shipped eastward from Manitoba and the territories are being met by train loads of cattle moving westward from Eastern Canada. Train loads of fat cattle are leaving Winnipeg almost daily, mostly intended for export to Great Britain, via Montreal, though some of these cattle are being sold as butchers' stock in Eastern Canada markets. At the same time train loads of young cattle are being brought up from Ontario to be fed for the markets another year. Owing to the drought in Ontario this year, young cattle, which are not fit for the butchers, are selling cheap, and some of our western ranchers are taking advantage of this opportunity to stock up their ranges with thrifty young stock, which in a couple of years they will have ready to ship east again. Some of these eastern cattle are also being taken to sections in Manitoba to be fed up for the market another year. This peculiar movement of cattle should have the effect of turning more attention to the West as a stock country. Some people down east have the idea that Manitoba is not adapted to raising live stock on account of our long, cold winters. A gentleman who visited Winnipeg a few weeks ago, and who had heard a good deal about our cold winters, seemed to be very skeptical as to the statements made by a representative of The Commercial in talking about our live stock

interests. He wanted to know if we froze the cattle up in the winter and kept them in that state until spring. It was absurd, no doubt he thought, for Manitoba to have a cattle industry. At the same time we see that cattle can be wintered more cheaply in Manitoba than in Eastern Canada. The winter feeding season here is not materially longer than in the East—some years not as long—and live stock are healthy and thrifty here with the same care that it is necessary to give them in the East. When Ontario stockmen can ship their cattle to Manitoba to winter, and ship them east again the following year and save money by the transaction, it speaks more than can be said in words as to the advantages of Manitoba as a stock country.

LABOR DAY.

THOUGH holidays are already too numerous to suit some people, yet the idea of making a national labor holiday is no doubt a good one. The effect is to some extent to give honor to labor, than which there is nothing more worthy of honor. Labor Day has already become a popular holiday in this country, and is observed as such more closely than most other holidays, though the anniversary this year is only the second since Labor Day was established by law. The procession or parade which is a feature of the day everywhere, is a good point in the direction of making the day a popular one. Like most other cities Winnipeg had its labor day parade, and quite a creditable one it was too. Some people who are not inclined to become enthusiastic over such things, might think that a wagon load of Drewry's celebrated lager, or a big block of Royal Crown soap drawn along on a cart, would not prove a particularly interesting spectacle; but when a vast number of such outfits as these are gathered together into a procession of about two miles in length, with a liberal supply of tinsel paper, flags and bunting thrown in to add brilliancy to the scene, the whole goes to make up a spectacle which the average citizen will think is quite worthy of some admiration. At any rate, nearly all Winnipeg, judging from the crowds on the streets, turned out to see the procession last Monday, and they would turn out just the same if the procession were to be repeated next week. There is something about a procession that draws—perhaps because they cost nothing—and so long as Labor Day is celebrated by a grand procession, we prophecy that it will be a popular holiday with the masses. With the particular celebration and procession in Winnipeg this year we hear no complaint, except perhaps the remark overheard that there was a little too much freedom in displaying foreign flags. This is perhaps a trifling objection, though it might be just as well to remember in decorating for a holiday, that our national emblem is not the Stars and Stripes or the Tricolor of France, but the old Union Jack. One firm which made an exhibit of imported goods in the procession might have been justified in

displaying the flag of the great republic over them, but why such a thoroughly home product as ice should be decorated with a foreign flag we do not just understand. However, this has nothing to do with Labor Day, properly speaking, and as we have already said is a trifling matter anyway.

BRITISH COLUMBIA FRUIT.

Last week The Commercial referred editorially to the arrival in Winnipeg of the first carload of plums from British Columbia, making some remarks in connection therewith upon freight rates. The Commercial has since received a letter from Mr. Kerr, of the Canadian Pacific railway, upon this subject, which we take the liberty of quoting. Mr. Kerr says:

"In the second paragraph of your editorial one would infer that prompt dispatch cannot be given by this company's freight train service to fruit from British Columbia points. This, I suppose, is only a surmise on your part from the remarks of Mr. Catherwood, who patronized the express service, and is entirely at variance with the results of the fast freight train service at freight train rates that we are now giving other British Columbia fruit shippers. Our rates from British Columbia are precisely the same to Winnipeg as the rates current by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern to Fargo and St. Paul, viz., \$1.12½ per 100 lbs. from interior British Columbia points and \$1.25 from British Columbia terminals. Our facilities for rapid transit by freight train service are as good as the service provided by the southern lines. I think a good deal of the trouble in connection with the shipment of British Columbia fruit to this market is accounted for by the fact that the growers do not pick the fruit until it is too ripe to stand transportation, neither do they pack it in the same manner as the Americans to the south of us. For long distance transportation deciduous fruits must be handpicked and carefully packed, otherwise the results will be disastrous."

Mr. Kerr's statement certainly puts the matter in a very satisfactory light, so far as freight rates and quick transportation are concerned. We certainly understood that Mr. Catherwood paid a high express rate because he could not get rapid transit by freight, but it appears from Mr. Kerr's remarks that this was not necessary.

As regards the quality of the fruit in this particular car, we stated last week that it arrived in good condition and sold well. This was quite true as regards the condition on arrival, but after the fruit had been here a short time it began to rapidly collapse, showing a great lack of keeping quality. We noted this fact in our regular market report last week. Our editorial remarks last week were based on the first impression of the fruit on arrival, but a little later the poor keeping quality of the fruit became apparent, and this fact was stated in our market reports of last week.

If the British Columbia fruit growers are to secure and hold a large trade here, they will evidently have to exercise more care in picking and handling their fruit. Oregon and Washington state fruit comes in here in large quantities and shows excellent keeping quality, and certainly the British Columbia

fruit should do the same if given the same care in handling. With the same freight rates, and the duty in their favor, it will be entirely their own fault, on account of careless packing, if the British Columbia fruit growers do not secure a large share of the trade of this market. They might as well be told frankly, however, at the outset, that they will never gain a foothold in this market until they learn to handle the fruit so as to place it in this market in as good condition as that which comes in from the Pacific coast states.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is reported from Duluth that a test has been made with one of the big elevators there, to see what could be done with smutty wheat, which is very prevalent there, but the experiment proved a failure. With all the appliances at hand the smut could not be removed short of applying the brush-scouring process. The effect will be to prevent the regular elevators from trying to do anything with smutty wheat. There is nothing surprising in this test, as it is well known to all wheat handlers, that smut cannot be dealt with by the ordinary cleaning process. Even the costly scouring process can hardly free it from the foul odor which permeates smutty wheat. This difficult and expensive cleaning system must of necessity reduce very materially the price of smutted wheat.

At the opening of the territorial assembly at Regina last week, Governor Mackintosh said it might be interesting to the assembly to know that the Dominion government have decided to name, by order-in-council, all the territories between Alaska and Labrador. The far northwestern district will be called Yukon. Athabasca will be enlarged. The eastern portion will comprise Franklin and Churchill, and to the far east Ungava. This will enable the public to localize the distant districts, and will be found very convenient for geographical reference. While the government is doing this they should also abolish the word "northwest," as applied to the organized territories. From a geographical point of view the word is misapplied, and secondly, the real official application of the word is generally misunderstood, sometimes being applied to Manitoba, sometimes to the territories only, and at other times it is used to designate all the country west of the lakes. It is a vague term, it is usually used in a wrong sense, and when its use is officially correct it is geographically wrong, so that it would be better to drop the word entirely.

A LARGE trade has been done in blueberries this season. The blueberries are gathered in immense quantities in the Rat Portage district, whence they are shipped to Winnipeg, and from here distributed throughout the country. The manner of packing the berries heretofore has been a drawback to the trade, as the packages have been too large and frail, the large bark packages being particularly objectionable. With an improved

mode of packing, the berries should have even a wider demand for shipment, and this year quite an improvement has been made in the packing. A regular size and style of package should be adopted, and with a good package and uniformity of style, the demand for the berries would no doubt be enlarged. It would also seem possible that something might be done in the direction of canning these berries. A canning factory has several times been talked of for Winnipeg, and here is a line of fruit which could no doubt be canned here to advantage, while there is also no lack of vegetables available here for canning purposes, at very low prices. This year the supply of vegetables such as corn, peas, beans, etc., has been practically unlimited. It really appears that the time has come that a canning factory could be operated to good advantage in Winnipeg. There is a large local demand for canned goods, and many of the lines which are now brought in from the east, could be put up at home, thus encouraging local production, as well as saving freight on goods now brought in from the east.

SEVERAL articles appearing in Manitoba papers of late, notably the Winnipeg Tribune, relating to the grain trade, are simply scandalous. It is to be regretted that any journal will wilfully strive to stir up strife between different classes of people. But the Tribune has become noted for its adherence to this policy for some time back, and it is not surprising that it should now be trying to stir up trouble between the farmers and grain shipper.

Do the grain buyers of Manitoba—the alleged combine for instance—control the Liverpool and Chicago and New York and Duluth and all other great markets of the world? If they do not, then how are they to blame for the present position of wheat? There is no reason to believe that wheat will sell any lower in Manitoba this season, in comparison with the world's markets, than it has done in past years. In fact the tendency has been to buy wheat on a smaller margin than a few years ago. During the shipping season last fall, when prices were so low to the Manitoba producers, the grain shippers of Winnipeg were buying on a closer margin than they ever did before, large quantities of wheat having been handled on a margin of ¾ cent per bushel. There has been much talk by certain papers about the grain men trying to make capital out of the frost to bear prices. This is absurd. Any one having any knowledge of commercial conditions at all, would know that damage by frost would have a tendency to advance prices in the markets generally, and the more grain men talk frost, the greater would be the tendency to "bull" prices. The Chicago market has been known to jump upward on the mere prediction of frost.

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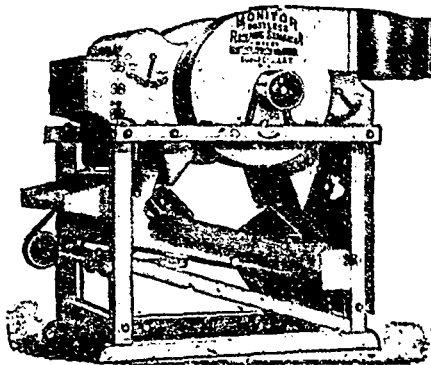
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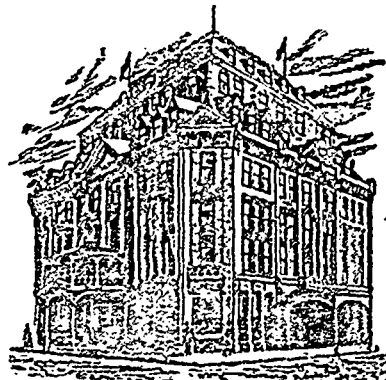
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THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

WINNIPEG, Saturday Sept. 7.

General rains toward the close of this week have shut off the movement of new wheat, which was just starting, and put a stop to harvesting operations for the balance of the week. If bright weather sets in, there will be a considerable movement in wheat by the end of next week. There is nothing eventful in general trade circles.

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

WINNIPEG, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Sept. 7.

[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.]

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The statement is made by a Montreal paper that some of the large houses have not maintained prices, and have shaded a little on the recent advance. If this is the case it may have the effect of checking business some.

DRY GOODS.—The upward tendency in domestic cottons continues, and some further advances have been made at the mills. In fact everything in cotton goods is strong and prices are continually appreciating. This is owing to the steady advance in raw cotton and the advancing prices in manufactured lines in the United States. It is said that some of the larger retail buyers in the East have already placed orders for spring goods, in expectation of further advances.

COAL.—There is no business doing yet, but a re-adjustment of prices for the coming season is being evolved, though it is hardly certain yet how they will stand. The first break was announced this week in a reduction of \$1 per ton on Lethbridge bituminous coal, making the price \$3.50 delivered to consumers in this market, the lowest price this class of coal has ever sold at here, as compared with \$3 two years ago. It is not likely that other coals can follow this cut, as some varieties are already sold at a very close margin, though an effort may be made to partially meet this cut on the other varieties which will be most keenly effected by the reduction in Lethbridge coal.

CORDWOOD.—There is only a very moderate business doing. We quote the following prices for car lots on track here: Tamarac, \$3.75 to \$4 per cord; pine \$3 to \$3.25 per cord; spruce \$3, and poplar \$2.25 to \$2.50 per cord.

DRUGS.—Following prices are for small parcels, and will be shaded considerably for full package orders: Allum per pound, 3/4 to 1/2c; alcohol, \$1.75; bleaching powder, per pound, 6 to 8c; bluestone, 4 1/2 to 5c; blue vitrol, 5 to 8c; borax, 11 to 13c; bromide potash, 55 to 75c; camphor, 75 to 85c; camphor, ounces, 80 to 90c; carbolic acid, 40 to 65c; castor oil, 11 to 15c; chlorate potash, 28 to 35c; citric acid, 55 to 65c; copperas, 3 1/2 to 4c; cocaine, per oz., \$7.50 to \$8.00; 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, 80 to 10c; glycerine, per pound, 20 to 25c; ginger, Jamaica, 25 to 40c; do., African, 20 to 25c; Howard's quinine, per ounce, 85 to 15c; iodine, \$5.50 to \$6.00; insect powder, 85 to 10c; morphia sul., \$1.90 to 2.25. Opium, \$1.50 to 5.00; oil, olive, \$1.25 to 1.40; oil, U.S. salad, \$1.25 to 1.40; oil, lemon, super \$2.25 to 2.75; oil, peppermint, \$1.00 to 1.50; oil, cod liver, \$2.25 to \$2.75 per gallon; oxalic acid, 18 to 16c; potass iodide, \$4.25 to \$4.50; paris green, 17 to 17c lb; saltpetre, 10 to 12c; sal rochelle, 80 to 85c; 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, \$2.00 to \$3; tartaric acid, per lb. 45 to 55.

FISH.—Local jobbing prices for fresh fish are as follows:—British Columbia salmon, 14c; Lake Superior trout, 9c; whitefish, 6c; pickerel, 8c; finnan haddies, 7c; kippered goldeyes, 30c doz. Very little doing in salt fish.

GREEN FRUITS.—The supply of peaches, pears and plums was short this week, and dealers were not able to fill country orders promptly. What were in sold fast. No more British Columbia fruit came in this week. Some Washington State peaches came in and while they were in good condition they have not the attractive appearance of California peaches. Plums and pears are coming from Washington and Oregon and a few from California. Eastern Canada apples are now coming, as well as southern apples. Some crabs have come in, but there has been no regular supply, what have come having sold off in a few hours. Prices are: California oranges, Mediterranean sweet and late Valencias \$1 to \$1.25 per box as to size; Messina lemons, \$6.50 to \$7 per box; bananas, \$2.25 to \$3 per bunch as to size; California peaches \$1.35 to \$1.50 per box; California and Oregon plums, \$1.40 to \$1.50 per box; California and Oregon pears, \$2.00 to \$2.50 per box; southern apples, \$3.75 to \$1.25 per barrel; southern concord grapes, 65c per 8 lb basket; California grapes, tokays \$3.00 to \$3.25 per crate; do. Malaga, \$3.00; tomatoes, \$2.50 per bushel and \$1.10 per 20 lb. basket; Watermelons, \$3.50 to \$1.00 per dozen; Blueberries, 4 to 5c per lb. as to quality, the lower price for barks and large, rough packages. Layer figs, 10 lb boxes, 15c per pound, do., 1 1/2 ounce boxes, \$1.50 per dozen. Dates, 7 to 7 1/2c a lb. Watermelons are now very soft.

FLUID REEF, ETC.—Following are prices of the goods put up by the Johns on Fluid Beef Company of Montreal:—Johnstons Fluid Beef—No. 1, 2-oz. tins, per dozen, \$2.70; No. 2 4oz., \$1.50; No. 3, 8oz., \$7.83; No. 4, 1 lb., \$12.83; No. 5, 2 lb., \$21.80. Staminal—2oz. bottles, per dozen, \$2.55; do, 4oz., \$5.10; do, 8 oz., \$7.65; do, 16oz., \$12.75. Fluid Beef Cordial—20oz. bottles, \$10. Milk Granules—In cases of 4 dozen, \$5.10. Milk Granules with Cereals—In cases of 4 dozen, \$1.25

GROCERIES.—Prices for canned goods are said to be irregular and somewhat demoralized, the effect of the breaking up of the association being now apparent. The pack, except in early small fruits, is estimated to be a full one, and quite large in some lines. New dried fruits are beginning to attract considerable attention. The first shipment is now on the way to Montreal, including new French prunes. Offers are also being made on new raisins and currants. Some new valencias have arrived at Montreal. California raisins are also offering, at prices it is said which will give them a large sale. French sardines are reported higher abroad owing to the failure of the fisheries this season.

HARDWARE.—The situation in the local market is much the same as reported last week. The principal feature of interest outside is the further advance in barb wire. A week or two ago we mentioned that Eastern manufacturers had advanced prices 1/2c per pound and another 1/2c advance is now announced in the East, which makes the price there 3 1/2c per lb. This is the third advance altogether in barb and plain twisted wire and staples, since the bottom prices were reached in January last. The Canadian manufacturers are just advancing to keep prices about on a parity with prices in the United States, adding freight and duty,

prices in the United States; having recently advanced about 1/2c at Pittsburg to 2 1/2c per lb. prices in the Winnipeg market are as follows: IN, lamé and 56 and 28 lb. ingots, per lb, 20 to 21c.

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, \$9.50 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, \$3.50 to 9.00.

IRON AND STEEL.—Bar iron, per 100 lbs. base price, \$2.50 to \$2.65, band iron, per 100 lbs., \$3.00 to \$3.15; Swedish iron, per 100 lbs., \$5.25 to 6; sleigh shoe steel, \$3.25 to 3.50; best cast tool steel, per lb, 12 to 13c; 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 Blaine, \$7.00 to 8.10.

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

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

CHAIN.—Best proof coil, 3-16 inch, per lb., 6 1/2 to 6 3/4; 1/2 inch, per lb., 6 to 6 1/2; 5-16 inch, per lb., 5 1/2 to 6c; 3/4 inch, per lb., 5 1/2 to 5 3/4; 7-16 inch, per lb., 4 1/2 to 5c; 1/2 inch, per lb., 4 1/2 to 5c.

SHEET ZINC.—In casks, 6c lb., broken lots, 6 1/2c.

LEAD.—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2c.

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

AMMUNITION.—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American, discount, 85 per cent.; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 per cent.; rim fire military, American, 5 per cent. advance; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 80 per cent.; shot shells, 12 gauge, \$6 to 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 5 1/2c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6c.

AXES.—Per box, \$6.50 to 15.50.

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

ROPE.—Sisal, per lb., 7 1/2 to 8c base; manilla, per lb., 10 to 10 1/2c base; cotton, 1/2 to 1/2 inch and larger, 16c lb.

NAILS.—Cut, per keg, base price, \$2.85 to \$3; common steel wire nails, 5 to 6 inch, \$3.50 per keg; 3 to 4 inch, \$3.80 keg; 2 1/2 inch, \$4.09 keg; 2 inch, \$1.88 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, 50 to 50 and 10 per cent.

HORSE SHOES.—Per keg, \$1.50 to \$1.75; snow pattern horse shoes, \$1.75 to \$5.

PAINTS, OILS, ETC.—The principal feature of interest is linseed oil, which has declined sharply within a few weeks in the United States, as the mills are now running on new seed and prices are lower. Prices of oil have declined 8 to 10c within a short time. In Eastern Canada prices are 1c lower. Prices are as follows:

WHITE LEADS.—Pure, ground in oil, association guarantee, \$5.50 per 100-lb kegs; white lead, assorted 1 to 5-lb. tins, per lb., 10c.

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 ochre, 2 1/2c; golden ochre, 5c; Venetian, red, French, 8 1/2c; Venetian, red; English, 8 1/2c; English purple oxides, 4 1/2c; American oxides, per lb., 3 to 4c. These prices

for dry colors are for broken lots. ½c per lb. less when full kegs or barrels are taken. American vermilion, kegs, 15c; English vermilion, in 30-lb. bags, 90c per lb.; less than bags, per lb., 81c; Parris green, 18 to 20c.

VARNISHES.—No. 1 furniture, per gal., \$1, extra furniture, \$1.85; pale oak, \$1.50; elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$2; hard oil finish, \$2; brown Japan, \$1, goldsize Japan, \$1.50; No. 1, orange shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50. These prices are for less than barrels, and would be shaded for full barrel lots.

SUNDRIES.—Glue, S.S., in sheets, per lb., 12½ to 15c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 17 to 18c. Stove gasoline, per case, \$1.00; benzine, per case, \$1.00, benzine and gasoline, per gallon, 50c. Axle grease, Imperial per case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, per case, \$3.50, diamond, do, \$2.25 per case. Coal tar, per barrel, \$8, Portland cement, per barrel, \$1.25, plaster, per barrel, \$3.00; plasterer's hair, \$1.10 per bale; putty, in barrels, per lb., 8c; less than barrels,

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

LINSEED OIL.—Raw, per gal., 67c; boiled, per gal., 70c in barrels.

PETROLEUM.—Para spirits, in barrels, per gallon, 65c; less than barrels, per gallon, 70c.

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; neatfoot oil, \$1.25; steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 per gallon.

REFINED PETROLEUM.—The prices here are as follows: Silver star, 21½c; crescent, 27½c; oleopheno, 29½c in barrels. In car lots 1c per gallon discount is allowed off prices in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 3½c for cocene and 30c for sunlight.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT.—Wheat has again averaged lower this week in leading markets, prices declining at Chicago to under 60c per bushel. Lower cables and large northwestern receipts appear to be the weak points. American markets are getting no support from across the Atlantic, and exports are comparatively light. The visible supply made its first increase on this crop last week, and stocks from this forward will steadily increase, as receipts at northwestern states points are becoming very large.

In Manitoba new wheat was beginning to come in quite freely at some of the earliest crop points, but the heavy general rains on Friday would put a stop to all threshing and harvesting work for the balance of the week, and check deliveries. At this date last year new wheat was moving lakeward quite freely, but the shipping movement has hardly started yet. Most of the wheat coming in is going into store. There has been scarcely any buying yet, but exporters and millers are getting their buyers placed in country markets and will soon be ready for business. A little wheat has been purchased from farmers in country markets at a range of 40 to 45 cents per bushel. The low price at which the market is opening is causing a very unsatisfactory feeling in the country, but a portion of the crop will have to go out at once regardless of prices. Lake freights at Duluth were quoted at 3½c to Buffalo and 5c to Kingston, per bushel. There is no business doing in round lots of Manitoba wheat, but on a basis of Duluth prices, No. 1 hard would be worth about 55 to 59c afloat Fort William, or 46 to 47c on track Manitoba country points. Stocks at Fort William Sept. 1 last year were \$27,555, receipts for the week being 212,688.

Exports of wheat, from both coasts of the United States and Canada, this week, amount to 2,230,000 bushels against 1,871,929 bushels last week; 3,207,000 in the week a year ago; 4,902,000 bushels two years ago; 8,577,000 bushels in the week in 1892, and 4,723,000 bushels in the like week in 1891.

FLOUR.—The market is weak at the recent decline, and still lower prices are looked for. Sales by millers here are made at \$1.95 for patents and \$1.75 for strong bakers per sack of 93 lbs. delivered to city retail dealers. Second bakers \$1.55 to \$1.65, XXXX about \$1.25 to \$1.30 per sack according to brand. These are net cash prices the nominal quotation being 5c higher.

MILLSTUFFS.—Millstuffs are becoming more plentiful. The quotation to the local trade is \$11 for bran and \$13 for shorts per ton, with small quantities held at \$1 per ton more. Prices declined 50c in eastern markets recently.

GROUND FEED.—Prices are easy, but range from \$19 to \$21 per ton, as to quantity and quality, for ground oats and barley feed. As soon as new feed grains begin to move freely, lower prices are looked for.

OTMEAL.—The tendency is easier, in sympathy with the lower tendency in oats. We quote \$1.90 to \$2 per sack of 81 pounds in broken lots to retail dealers, as to quality. Standard and granulated meal, \$2.15 in small lots, per sack of 100 lbs. for best grades. Eastern markets have made a farther decline of 10 to 15c per barrel.

OATS.—The market is weak and declining tendency. Car lots or new oats were being offered this week at 22 to 23c, but buyers were bidding only about 20c as a rule. A few loads were brought in by farmers and sold for 22 to 23c per bushel. Manitoba will have by far the largest surplus of oats for export that the province ever produced. The feeling is that the crop is larger than the official estimate. The crop in the United States is reported to be large and prices there are declining. In Ontario country markets prices range from 22 to 24c per bushel.

BARLEY.—No business doing. Offering at 28 to 30c per bushel of 48 pounds for feed grade. Prospect not encouraging as to prices for producers. Feed barley in Ontario country markets is worth about 35c per bushel.

OIL CAKE.—Ground oil cake meal is quoted at \$24 per ton in sacks, with small lots at \$25.

FLAX SEED.—No business doing here yet. On Thursday at Chicago flax seed sold at 98 to 99½c per bushel. There prices are much lower than a year ago, when flax sold at \$1.15 to \$1.50 at Chicago.

BUTTER.—The markets are quiet, and eastern advices this week are rather less favorable to holders. It is said that the square package for creamery butter is becoming very popular for export markets, and should receive the attention of our makers. We quote round lots of dairy at 8 to 8½c. As high as 8½c has been paid in the country for a good lot of dairy. Creamery, fair to choice, 14 to 15½c.

CHEESE.—The situation here is easier. Buyers offer 6c, and for a specially desirable lot, or for a small lot to complete a car for shipment, 6½ and possibly even 6¾c might be paid here. At the Ontario country markets this week prices were lower. At Ingersoll 7½c was the highest bid, which is ½ to ¾c lower than a week ago. At Belleville the best bid was 7 9-16c. This shows that the late bulge is not holding out. A lot of cheese is being held in Ontario to try and force up prices.

EGGS.—Buyers are paying 11c, and selling candled stock at 12 to 12½c

LARD.—Prices are the same. - We quote Pure, \$1.80 for 20 pound pails, and \$1.50 for 50 lb pails; pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$7 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 9c pound.

CURED MEATS.—Hams have been advanced ½c, but other lines are about the same, except back bacon, which is lower. Smoked Meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 12½c; breakfast bacon, ballies, 12½; do backs: 10½; picnic hams, 9½; short spiced rolls, 7½; long rolls, 7½; shoulders, 8c; smoked long, clear, 10c; smoked jowls, 5½c. Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 9c per lb.; shoulders, 7c; backs, 9½c; canvassed meats, or put up in parchment paper, ½c per lb. extra; barrel pork, heavy mass \$15.00; clear mass \$16.00, short cut, \$18.00; rolled shoulders, \$15 per barrel, pork sundries; fresh sausage, 7c; bologna sausage, 7c; German sausage, 7c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 2c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casing, 30c lb.

VEGETABLES.—Prices are: Potatoes, easy at 20 per bushel. A few have sold as low as 15c per bushel. Green stuff, including all roots, onions, etc., per doz. bunches is quoted at 5 to 8c all around; cabbage 15 to 25c per dozen; cucumbers 7 to 15c per dozen; cauliflower 30 to 50c per dozen, as to size; green peas, in pod, 30c per bushel; celery 20 to 25c per dozen bunches; green beans 1 to 1½c per lb.; rhubarb 10 to 12½c per dozen bunches; onions, 75c per bushel, or 1½c per lb.; turnips 20c per bushel; corn, 7 to 8c per dozen ears. A few ripe native tomatoes are offering at 6 to 7c per lb. and Eastern tomatoes \$2.50 per bushel basket.

POULTRY.—Chickens are higher per pair. Chickens 40 to 45c per pair; spring chickens, 35 to 40c per pair; turkeys 8 to 9c per lb. live weight. Ducks 10c dressed. Wild ducks 20 to 30c per pair.

DRESSED MEATS.—Prices are unchanged for beef. We quote beef at 4 to 5c, as to quality. Good beef is selling at 5c; mutton easier at 6 to 6½c, mostly going at 6½; lamb, 6½ to 7c; pork 5½ to 6c; veal, 5 to 5½c.

HIDES.—Hides have been lower in Chicago recently, the market having broken some from the top. We quote: Hides, Winnipeg inspection, green, 7½c for No. 1 cows, 6½ for No. 2, and 5½c for No. 3. No. 1 heavy steers, 7½c, No. 2 Steers, 6½c; branded hides grade No. 2, when not otherwise damaged to reduce them to No. 3. We quote: Calf, 8 to 15 lbskins, 6 to 8c per lb. Deacons, 25 to 40c each. Kips 5 to 6c. Sheepskins, rocou kill, 30 to 35c. Lambskins, 30 to 35c each. Tallow, 4 to 5c rendered and 2 to 3c rough.

WOOL.—We quote 10 to 11½c as to quality for unwashed Manitoba fleeces. Over 12c was paid for one lot of ordinary fleeces, on sale by tender, this week. Markets abroad are quiet but firm.

SENECA ROOT.—About 18c is the usual price for small lots of dry root, and up to 19c for choice, fine bright root; dark coarse root is slow sale, and the general feeling is easier.

HAY.—Loose hay on the street market is selling at \$3 to \$1 per ton. We quote new baled prairie at \$5 on track here.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE.—Considerable business has been done at the yards here this week. Gordon & Ironside sent three trains forward early in the week, two of range and one of domestic cattle, totalling up 1,100 head altogether. On Thursday they sent east 80 head of butchers' cattle, with a mixed train of sheep, and yesterday they sent forward two trains of cattle of 19 and 18 cars respectively, making 680 head more, or in all about 1,850 head. They will have in a couple more train loads to-day to ship at once. The Cochrane Rancho Co. shipped 32

cars of range cattle this week—about 600 head. Mullins and Wilson had in about 250 head of Manitoba cattle, which they sold to Gordon & Ironside, and these are included in shipments above. Prices are steady. We quote 2½ to 2¾ for loads of fair to good butchers' cattle and 3 to 3¼ for export. It was reported that nine cars of a train load shipped by Gordon & Ironside were ditched on the north shore and a number of the cattle killed. A city daily paper contained a scare article one day this week about a large number of diseased, hurt and even dead animals being taken from cars here and sold by exporters to local butchers. While a few animals which are unfit to ship east are sold here, the number is comparatively trifling and does not come anywhere near the number reported in the article referred to. Dead animals, of course, are not sold for meat, as no butcher would take them even if shippers offered them, which they would not do. Occasionally an animal which is overcome with heat or thirst is found in cars arriving, but they do not average two to a train, much less two to a car, as stated. These animals are not diseased, and with a little rest and care would be all right in most cases, but we do not think they are in good condition for the butcher while in a prostrated condition.

HOGS—Very dull and nominal at 4 to 4½ off cars here.

SHEEP—Gordon & Ironside made their first export shipment this week, of 1,042 sheep from the C. A. C. Co.'s ranges, and they will have another shipment in about Sunday. We quote 9c off cars here for good butcher's sheep.

HORSES—One car of range horses passed over for Liverpool.

At Toronto on Sept. 8 export cattle sold at 3½ to 4¼, and a few picked at 4¼ per lb.; bulls 2½ to 3¼. Most offerings a poor class. In butchers stock, light cattle sold at 2½ to 2¾ per lb, and good at 2¾ to 3¼, with a few fancy 3½. Lambs slow at 8 to 8¼ per lb. export sheep, 9½ to 9¾ and 9c for bucks. Butchers sheep \$2.50 to \$3 per head. Hogs were dull and easy, best selling at \$1.70 to \$1.75 per 100 lbs. off cars; stores \$1 to \$1.10; heavy hogs, \$1.40 to \$1.50 per 100 lbs.

At Montreal on Sept. 5, cattle were slow sale and at the close many remained unsold, principally on account of lack of steamship space for export. Export cattle ran from 3¼ to 3¾, best butchers stock, 2¾ to 3¼; inferior not wanted but a few sold from 2c to 2½. Sheep slow at 8¼. Lambs, from 9c to 9¼.

At Chicago on Sept. 6 cattle were firm, good cattle selling at \$3.50, with range steers going at \$1 to \$1.50 per 100 lbs. Hogs sold mostly at \$1 to \$1.40 per 100 pounds as to quality. Lambs were 2c lower at \$3 to \$1.75, and sheep ranged from \$2.50 to \$3.60.

The Weather and Crops.

The weather has not been all satisfactory this week. Light rains were experienced during the early part of the week at a number of points, and a long, drizzling rain covered the country on Thursday night and Friday, starting in the west and extending eastward, lasting from ten to twenty hours. This effectually stopped all harvesting operations for the balance of the week. The rain was accompanied by low temperature. It may injure imperfectly built stacks in some cases.

A good deal of stacking and some threshing was done in the fore part of the week, and in the late districts cutting was still going on. There is considerable grain uncut still in a few very late districts, principally oats, and some of this which is quite green yet, can hardly be expected to ripen, but will be cut for fodder. The movement of new wheat was just starting nicely when checked by the rains.

Samples of wheat affected by frost have been shown from some districts which were supposed to have entirely escaped damage. Some few points in Southern Manitoba being slightly affected, though it was at first supposed that the south, east and central districts had entirely escaped. Still we think the damage is very light in the south, and the serious injury is confined largely to the western districts referred to last week. The second frost, on Aug. 31, which we merely mentioned last week, also caught a little late wheat in some districts which were not anected by the first frost, though this second frost was also most severe in the same sections where the first one was felt the most. The last frost, however, extended farther west and will leave its traces in the late portion of the wheat crop in the country west of that which was affected by the first frost, taking in the Qu'Appelle region. It was not felt in Eastern Manitoba. There was a brisk rain this afternoon again at Winnipeg, but it was apparently a local shower, and weather reports are favorable for clear weather.

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.

Monday being Labor Day holiday, business was suspended.

On Tuesday there was rather an improved feeling at the opening, induced by higher cables, but large spring wheat receipts turned prices downward, and at the close values were ½ to 1c under Saturday. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat.....	60	—	61½-7	66
Corn.....	31½	33½	29½	30½
Oats.....	18½	18	—	21½
Pork.....	8 45	8 62½	—	—
Lard.....	5 82½	5 87½	—	—
Short Ribs.	5 65	5 70	—	—

On Wednesday wheat again declined heavily, cables being lower, foreigners were free sellers, and spring wheat receipts were large. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat.....	59½	—	60½	61
Corn.....	32½	31½	27½-28	29½
Oats.....	18½	18	—	21
Mess Pork..	8 25	8 35	—	—
Lard.....	5 82½	5 90	—	—
Short Ribs.	5 60	5 65	—	—

Cables were weak on Thursday, and receipts were large, but nevertheless prices moved up toward the close. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat....	59½	—	60½	61½
Corn.....	33	32	28½	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8.95	8.45	—	—
Lard.....	5.70	5.95	—	—
Short Ribs.	5.65	5.70	—	—

On Friday cables continued lower, and receipts large, and the market declined. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat....	59½	—	59½	63½
Corn.....	33½	32½-4	28½	29½
Oats.....	19	18½	—	21
Pork.....	—	8 60	—	—
Lard.....	—	5 97½	—	—
Short Ribs.	—	5 72½	—	—

Closing prices on Saturday were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat.....	58	—	59½	63½
Corn.....	32½	—	28½	29½
Oats.....	19½	—	18½	21½
Mess Pork..	—	8 45	—	—
Lard.....	—	—	—	—
Short Ribs..	—	—	—	—

A week ago Sept. wheat closed at 60½c.
A year ago Sept. wheat closed at 54½c.

Duluth Wheat Market.

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

Monday—Aug —Holiday.
Tuesday—Aug —c., Sept. 6½c. Dec. 6½c.
Wednesday—Aug. Sept. 6½c. Dec. 6c.
Thursday—Aug. —c., Sept. 6½c. Dec. 6½c.
Friday—Aug. —c., Sept. 6½c. Dec. 6½c.
Saturday—Aug —c., Sept. 6½c. Dec. 6½c., May, 61 c.

A week ago to-day, (Saturday) prices closed at 59½c for September, and 60½c for December. A year ago September wheat closed at 5½c, and two years ago at 62½c. No. 1 hard is quoted at about 7c over No. 1 northern, No. 2 northern 3 lower than No. 1 northern for cash wheat.

Minneapolis Wheat.

No. 1 Northern wheat closed on Saturday at 51½c for September delivery, December at 53½c and May at 59½. A week ago September wheat closed at 57½c.

New York Wheat.

On Saturday, Sept. 7, December wheat closed at 65c, and May delivery at 68½c. A week ago wheat closed at 65½c for September and 68½c for December.

The Millers' Association.

The first meeting of the recently organized Manitoba and Northwest Territories Millers' association was held in the office of R. Muir & Co., Grain Exchange building, Winnipeg, on Tuesday evening last. Those were present: A. Kelly, W. Herriot, J. S. McKay, M. Leitch, R. C. Eanis, E. Peplow, and J. H. Joyner. Mr. Kelly presided and in the absence of Mr. Muir, A. L. Parsons acted as secretary.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, it was decided on motion to cut the word "Territories" from the title of the association, thus making it read: Manitoba and Northwest Millers' association.

It was also decided to apply for a Dominion charter of incorporation, and the executive committee was instructed to take the necessary steps in connection therewith. This was the most important matter brought up at the meeting, and led to considerable discussion, the question being whether to affiliate with the Dominion Millers' association of Ontario, or form an independent association. The members were all but unanimous in favor of an independent organization, as it was felt that in some respects the interests of the Eastern and Western millers were not identical, and possibly they might be antagonistic in some matters. It would be therefore unsatisfactory to be united with an association with which they felt they might not always be in perfect harmony.

The annual membership fee was placed at \$10 for mills of 100 barrels capacity and under, and 10 cents for each additional barrel, payable semi-annually on Oct. 1st and April 1st.

The executive committee was instructed to select a trade mark for the association and have the same registered according to law. This is a very important matter, as it will give a distinctive mark for hard wheat flour manufactured in Manitoba, and buyers in Eastern markets will thus be able to distinguish genuine Manitoba flour, manufactured wholly from Manitoba wheat, from Eastern made flour, in which a limited admixture of Manitoba wheat has been mixed with Eastern grown wheat.

The meeting then adjourned.

The Montreal Gazette of Wednesday last says: "One of the most important transactions which has taken place in the flour market for some time past was the sale of 6,000 sacks of Manitoba patent for export to Glasgow made by the Lake of the Woods Milling company. This firm's sales for the past two weeks amount to 12,000 sacks for export.

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British Columbia Markets.

(BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.)

Vancouver, September 7, 1895.

There is an over-supply of poor creamery butter and prices for anything off grade are decidedly lower. Eggs are 1c lower. Oats, hay and feed are abundant and lower.

Butter.—Manitoba dairy butter, old 8 to 8c, new 10 to 12c; Manitoba creamery, 17 to 18c; do. off grade 6 to 12c per lb.; Manitoba cheese 8 to 10c per lb.

Cured Meats.—Hams 14c, breakfast bacon, 14½c; backs, 12½c; long clear, 10c; short rolls, 10c; smoked sides, 11½c. Lard is held at the following figures: tins 10½c per pound; in pails and tubs, 10c; mess pork, \$17; short cut, \$18.00.

Fish.—Prices are: Flounders, 8c; smelt, 5c; sea bass, 4; black cod, 6c; rock cod, 4c; red cod, 4c; tommy cod, 4c; herring, 4c; halibut, 7c; whiting, 6c; soles, 6c; crabs, 60c doz.; smoked salmon, 12½c; salmon 7c; smoked halibut, 10c; bloaters, 10c; kippered cod, 9c; sturgeon, 6c; trout 10c per lb.; salt salmon, \$6 per barrel.

Vegetables.—Potatoes new, \$9 to \$10 per ton; onions, silver skins, 1½c; cabbage, 1½c; carrots, turnips and beets, ½ to 1c a lb.

Eggs.—Fresh, local, 25c; Eastern 16c per dozen.

Fruits.—Australian lemons, half boxes, \$2.50; Australian oranges, half boxes, \$2.50; B. C. plums, 30 to 60c; peaches, \$1.10 per box; oranges, Mediterranean sweets, \$2.75; St. Michael's \$3.00 per box; apples 75c to \$1.35 per box; tomatoes \$1.50; California pears \$2.00 box.

Nuts.—Almonds, 15c; filberts, 14c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 15c; walnuts, 10 to 16c lb.

Flour.—Manitoba Patent, per bbl., \$4.70; strong bakers, \$1.50; Oregon, \$3.80.

Meal.—Oatmeal—National mills, Victoria, at Victoria, 90-lb sacks, \$3.15.

Grain.—Washington State wheat \$25 per ton f.o.b. Vancouver, duty paid. Local oats, \$20 per ton.

Ground Feed.—National mills chop, \$20 to \$22 per ton; ground barley, \$22 ton; shorts, \$19.00 ton; bran \$17.00 ton; oil cake meal, \$39 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver, including duty paid on imported stuff.

Dressed Meats.—Beef, 6½ to 7c; mutton, 7½ to 8c; pork, 8½ to 9c; veal, 8 to 9c per lb.

Hay—Nominal at \$8 per ton.

Live Stock.—Calves, 5c; steers, 3 to 3½c lb; cows 2½ to 3c; sheep, \$3 to \$3.25; hogs, 5½ to 6c; lamb, per head, \$2.50 to \$3.00.

Jugars—Powdered and icing, 5½c; Paris lau.p., 5½c; granulated, 4½c; extra C, 4½c; fancy yellows 4c; yellow, 3½c per lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 1½c per pound; .0 gallon kegs, 2c; 5 gallon kegs, \$1.25 each; 1 gallon tins, \$3.75 per case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$4.50 per case of 20.

Teas.—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good, 15c; choice, 25c. Ceylons: Fair, 25c; good, 30c; choice, 35c per lb.

British Columbia Business Notes.

The stock of John Hilbert, undertaker, Nanaimo, is advertised for sale.

Paul Newman, manufacturer cigars, Nanaimo, is out of business.

Yoddall & Sinclair, grain, New Westminster, have dissolved; Marshall Sinclair continues.

Utley & McDonald, tobacconists, Rossland, have dissolved; McDonald continues.

The stock of John Whitmore, grocer, Vancouver, is advertised for sale.

The Live Stock Trade.

Chas. Knox has purchased over 100 head of young cattle at Morden, Man., to take west to the Alberta ranges.

Mr. Prince, of Battleford, Sask. territory was in Winnipeg last week, returning from a trip to Montreal, where he has been with a train load of cattle, purchased in the Saskatchewan country a short time ago. On his return Mr. Prince will get together another load for export to the Old Country, to leave Montreal on the 16th of the month.

A shipment of 200 head of cattle made from Winnipeg about three weeks ago, is said to have reached Liverpool in thirteen days, which is quick time.

At Liverpool on September 2, trade was firm and the advance in prices noted last week maintained, choice Canadian steers being quoted at 11½c. For sheep values were steady at 13c. At London the tone of the market was weaker and prices show a decline of ½c since last Monday, choice Canadian steers being quoted at 11½c, while sheep were steady at 13½c.

At the Point St. Charles market, Montreal, on Sept. 2 the offerings were large, principally butcher's stock. A few loads of export stock sold at 4c and butchers' cattle at 2c to 3c per lb. Sheep sold at 9c to 9½c and lambs at \$2.50 each. The receipts of hogs were larger and the market was easier at 5c to 5½c per lb.

Prof. Saunderson's Visit.

Prof. Saunders, director of the Dominion government system of experimental farms, returned to Ottawa on Friday, from his annual visit to the west. The professor has given most of the time which he had to spare for the west this year to British Columbia, and while in the Pacific province he was actively employed looking into the fruit and other agricultural resources of the country, addressing meetings, etc. He devoted a short time in the far western portion of the territories to the question of irrigation, and was surprised to find the advancement that has been made in the Calgary district in this respect. In Manitoba, where his last investigations were conducted, he drove with Mr. Redford, manager of the branch experimental farm at Brandon, over a large portion of the best grain sections, and was greatly pleased with the crops. The oat crop particularly took Prof. Saunderson's attention. The oat crop in Manitoba, he says is simply superb, and he is certain the yield will greatly exceed the official estimate. The wheat crop also he thinks has not been at all over-estimated in the official report. Regarding frost, Prof. Saunders confirms the report of The Commercial that except in the west and northwest very little damage has been done. He found traces of frost at two or three points in the south, but as a rule the great southern and eastern wheat districts of Manitoba were found to be practically free from damage.

Wheat Stocks.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Aug. 31, 1895, shows an increase of 850,000 bushels, against an increase of 2,170,000 for the corresponding week last year and a decrease of 359,000 bushels the corresponding week two years ago.

The following table shows the total visible supply of wheat at the end of the first week in each month on the dates named for four years, as compiled by the Chicago board of trade:

	1895. bushels.	1894. bushels.	1893. bushels.	1892. bushels.
Jan. 2...	88,531,000	80,222,000	81,228,000	45,907,000
Feb. 6...	88,378,000	79,583,000	81,331,000	43,101,000
Mar. 4...	78,705,000	75,569,000	79,038,000	41,556,000
April 1...	74,308,000	71,458,000	77,651,000	41,036,000
" 8...	72,703,000	70,762,000	77,291,000	41,177,000
" 15...	70,487,000	69,217,000	76,096,000	42,655,000
" 22...	68,628,000	68,425,000	74,869,000	39,149,000
" 29...	65,776,000	68,552,000	75,027,000	37,930,000
May 6...	62,106,000	65,156,000	73,069,000	36,190,000
" 13...	59,623,000	63,510,000	72,632,000	35,190,000
" 20...	58,434,000	62,044,000	71,392,000	33,677,000
" 27...	51,244,000	61,329,000	70,159,000	29,622,000
June 3...	52,229,000	59,291,000	71,080,000	27,910,000
" 10...	49,739,000	58,211,000	69,662,000	26,950,000
" 17...	47,717,000	57,008,000	68,376,000	2,000,000
" 24...	46,225,000	55,832,000	68,091,000	21,561,000
July 1...	41,701,000	54,057,000	62,318,000	21,827,000
" 8...	43,350,000	51,114,000	61,310,000	23,130,000
" 13...	41,237,000	53,154,000	59,328,000	21,430,000
" 20...	40,437,000	53,771,000	58,001,000	23,048,000
" 27...	39,233,000	57,144,000	59,319,000	23,697,000
Aug. 3...	38,517,000	67,010,000	59,124,000	26,673,000
" 10...	37,839,000	62,321,000	58,862,000	28,2,000
" 17...	36,822,000	63,900,000	57,812,000	31,775,000
" 24...	34,683,000	61,771,000	57,240,000	31,950,000
" 31...	35,138,000	63,919,000	56,931,000	3,369,000

Bradstreet's report of stocks of wheat in Canada on Aug. 26 is as follows:

	bushels.
Montreal.....	61,000
Toronto.....	5,000
Kingston.....	31,000
Winnipeg.....	18,000
Manitoba elevators.....	450,000
Fort William, Port Arthur & Keewatin.....	480,000

Total stocks in the United States and Canada as reported by Bradstreet's were as follows, on Aug. 26, 1895:

	bushels.
East of the Mountains.....	48,469,000
Total stocks a year ago were:	
East of the Mountains.....	75,853,000

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Dairy Trade News.

The Cartwright Cheese company, Cartwright, Man., are making a shipment of 800 cheese to England through a Montreal firm.

Andrew Clements, representing a leading Scottish firm engaged in the importation of dairy products, is making a tour of Manitoba with the object of doing a trade with this country in the future. His firm bought a large quantity of the winter creamery exported by the Dominion government last winter.

The British Dairy Farmers' association contemplate holding their annual meeting next year in Canada, and if satisfactory arrangements can be made, some 75 to 100 representative British dairy farmers will visit the Dominion next year.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: "About four carloads of creamery butter have been received here from Manitoba this week, the quality of which compares very favorably with the best makes of Ontario creamery, and some of it has sold on this market at from 17 to 17½c, the latter price being for fancy quality. This speaks volumes for Manitoba creamery, and we would advise the farmers of Manitoba to abandon the manufacture of dairy butter altogether, and go exclusively into the production of creamery, because as a rule the dairy butter shipped to this market from Manitoba has been poor stuff and must have proved unprofitable to those who shipped it. The dairy butter recently shipped here from Winnipeg only fetched 11 to 12c. About 150 pkgs. of the creamery above referred to were sold for export, some of which were neatly packed in square tubs after the Australian style. Manitoba cheese also sold in this market a few days ago at 7½ to 7¾c, and is considered of fair quality. The great fault found with these shipments is that the June, July and August makes are all mixed together, instead of each month being kept separate. The best qualities are on a par with French (Quebec) goods." Regarding dairy butter The Commercial might add that heretofore only the poorer qualities have been sent to Montreal, after the best had been picked out for the western trade. This will explain the Trade Bulletin's remarks regarding the poor quality of our dairy butter. Some of the cars of dairy butter shipped east from here have been only the culls, which could not be disposed of for the local or western trade.

The Labor Market.

Last week we referred at some length to the labor market. Later reports from the country indicate that men were wanted for harvesting at quite a number of points, as many as 25 being wanted at one place, and orders for help were coming in by wire, with very few men available. At some points where a surplus was reported a week ago there is now a scarcity of farm help. There appears to be work for all and more wanted, though, of course, only for a few weeks will the harvest demand keep up. A great many men are wanted for railway work. Wages of railway employees have been advanced in some cases.

It appears from this that the cry raised about two many men having been brought in from Ontario, had no foundation in fact, and was started by a few who did not want work at any price. Mr. Calder, the leading employment agent in Winnipeg, said on Friday that he wanted over 300 men, about 150 of whom were wanted for farms, and the balance for railway work. They can get but very few men for any work, and he thinks another excursion party would have been a benefit. He was sending to points south in the States to try and get men for

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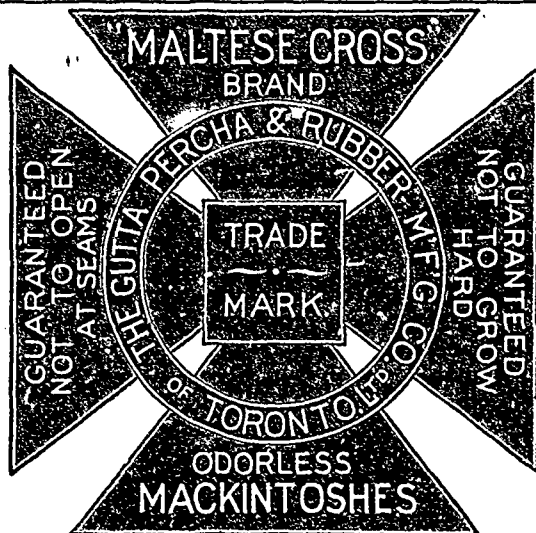
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railway work here. Telegrams were coming in from all parts of the country for farm help, from \$25 to \$35 per month being offered for experienced men such as capable stackers, and \$1.50 to \$1.75 was being offered for men for threshing gangs. This shows that but for the influx from Ontario the country would be in a disastrous position to-day for lack of men for the harvest.

Grain and Milling.

It is not likely that northern spring wheat will command as much premium over winter and eastern spring wheats this year as usual, owing to the light crop of the latter and the big crop of northern spring wheat. This is already shown in the St. Louis market. St. Louis is the leading winter wheat market, and that market is already considerably higher on this crop, in proportion to other markets, than it was a year ago. For the same reason, Manitoba wheats will not command the same premium in Eastern Canada this crop year that they did during the past year.

R. Muir, of R. Muir & Co., returned on Wednesday from a trip to Eastern Canada.

Mr. Thompson, manager at Winnipeg for the Ogilvie Milling Co., returned this week from the East, greatly benefitted in health, and looking quite rugged and hearty. Mr. Thompson remained quite a while at the sea coast of Maine and was much benefitted by the bathing and sea air.

The meeting of the grain standards board, to select standard samples for grading the crop of 1895, has been called to meet in Winnipeg on Sept. 24. It was decided that this was fully as early as the board could meet, as a number of samples of wheat have to be procured from all the principal wheat sections, and in some sections very little threshing will be done much before that date.

Several contradictory press telegrams have been received here from Ottawa regarding new regulations for grading and handling wheat this year at Fort William. It has been reported that the mixing of scoured wheat with the No. 1 hard grade would be prevented, and again this has been denied. No official report has been received here, and it seems uncertain what may be done. From all that can be learned, it seems that the government is afraid to take any radical steps to prevent mixing, as it would place our lake ports at a disadvantage as compared with Duluth. It is well known that mixing is more largely done at Duluth than at our upper lake ports, including the mixing of scoured wheat with their No. 1 grades. The

opinion of The Commercial is, that so far as the wheat grower is concerned, a great deal more has been made of this question than its importance demands. The farmer would be the chief sufferer by the preventing of mixing, as the sale of smutted wheat would be rendered more difficult, and the price of this class of grain would be reduced to the grower.

The last Ontario crop bulletin says reports regarding fall wheat are, on the whole, favorable. The crop was cut earlier than usual, but, notwithstanding the rapid ripening, the berry is frequently described as plump and of good quality. Owing to the drouth, the straw is short. The crop was harvested in good condition, and farmers generally find but little reason to murmur at the return. Spring wheat had not progressed far enough to give a reliable report, but the preliminary estimate of yield is about 14 bushels per acre.

The big hurrah worked up over the Manitoba crop has certainly helped the Chicago bears very materially to put down prices, as well as frightening exporters from buying, as taken in connection with the big crop in Minnesota and the Dakotas, it has caused a fear that the markets will be deluged with the new Northwestern crop, causing lower prices. To anticipate this expected wheat deluge, prices have steadily declined. The Manitoba crop boom has probably knocked not less than 5 cents per bushel alone off prices, so that Manitoba farmers will have to pay through their nose for the "boom" reports sent out. That an exaggerated impression has been created abroad of the Manitoba crop, both as regards quantity and quality, is quite certain.

Winnipeg Clearing House.

Clearings for the week ending September 5, were \$798,483 balances, \$133,680. For the previous week clearings were \$833,622. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were \$769,426. For the month of August clearings were \$3,937,780, as compared with \$3,695,874 for August last year.

Following are the returns of other Canadian clearing houses for the weeks ended on the dates given:

	Aug. 29.	Aug. 22.
Montreal..	\$ 9,819,427	\$10,789,830
Toronto...	4,678,179	4,883,675
Halifax...	1,027,854	1,388,874
Winnipeg.	883,622	990,452
Hamilton .	498,600	550,858
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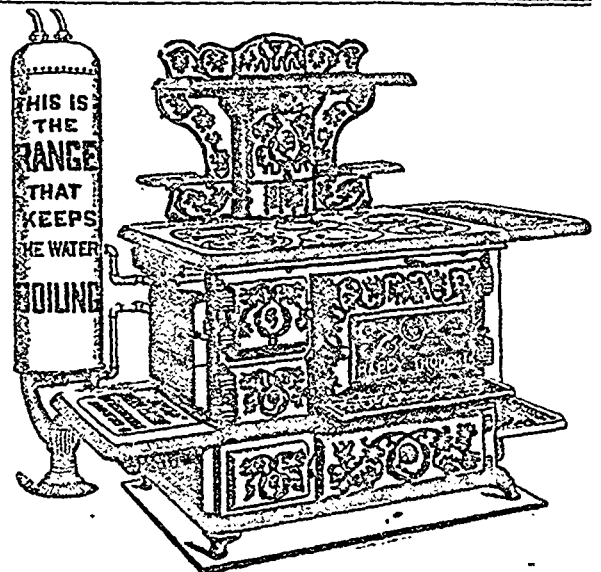
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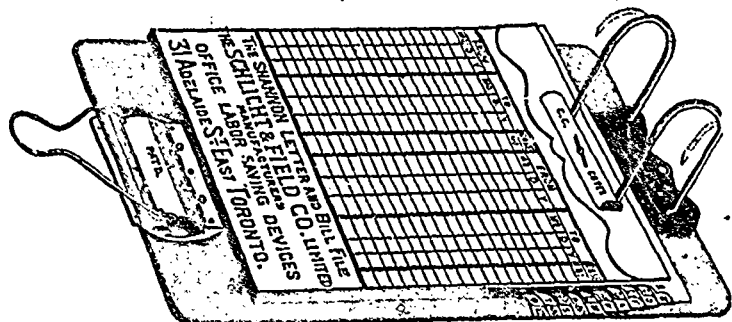
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Flour.—The decline in the price of flour referred to by us last week has not induced a more active demand, but, on the contrary, dealers assert that trade is duller than ever. As regards Ontario straight roller flour, sales have been made at lower figures than ever; car lots on track here having been offered at \$3.35, which is 25 to 30c below our last week's quotations. United States straight rollers are offered at \$3.20 laid down here in bond. Ontario straight rollers have sold in broken lots at \$3.45 to \$3.55. Manitoba strong bakers', best brands, are quoted at \$1, while other brands of Manitoba strong bakers' are selling at \$3.65 down to \$3.40, the latter for medium grades.

Oatmeal.—The decline quoted last week has been emphasized by further offerings at a shade under last week's quotations, car lots of rolled oats having been offered on track here at \$3.70. In a jobbing way granulated commands more money than rolled oats, owing to scarcity. We quote: Rolled and granulated \$3.80 to \$3.90; standard \$3.70 to \$3.80. In bags, granulated and rolled are quoted at \$1.90 to \$1.95, and standard at \$1.75 to \$1.85. Pot barley \$1.25 in bbls. and \$2 in bags, and split peas \$3.50.

Bran, etc.—The market for bran has been quiet, but prices are firm at \$17 to \$17.50. Shorts are steady at \$19.00 to \$20.00.

Oats.—A large crop of oats has been secured in this province. Sales of old No. 2 white have transpired at \$1 to \$1½. No. 3 is quoted at 93½c, and Manitoba mixed at 82½c.

Barley.—New samples continue to arrive, most of which are weather-stained, and will have to sell for feed, which is quoted at 47 to 48c. Malting grades which are going to be scarce are quoted at 55 to 58c.

Butter.—During the past week there have been sales of Manitoba fine to choice creamery on this market at 17 to 17½c, the butter representing the latter figures being equal to the best Ontario brands. In dairy butter, sales of fine selected Eastern Townships have transpired at 15½ to 15¾c, one lot bringing 16c. A lot of Manitoba dairy butter was reported sold at 11 to 12c. Western is not much sought after, and the few sales of this class reported were at 13 to 14c. Small jobbing lots and single packages to the retail trade are 1 to 2c higher than the above.

Cheese.—The market has been firm for August goods, but quiet, owing to the failure of the English demand to respond to the advanced prices paid on this side. At the boat on Monday last about 8,000 boxes of French (Quebec) cheese were disposed of at 7½c to 8c, chiefly at 7½c, which shows an advance of about ½c on the week. Finest Western August cheese going out by this week's steamers will

cost 8½ to 8¾c. Finest Ontario, 8 to 8½c; Eastern townships, 8 to 8½c; Quebec, 7½ to 8c; undergrades, 7 to 7½c.

Eggs.—Grocers have been taking a few more lots of choice candled stock at 11 to 11½c, and a few single cases of fancy fresh stock have brought 12c; but it is difficult to get over 11c for the best, candled stock in round quantities. No. 2 are being worked off at 9 to 10c.

Hides.—We quote prices here as follows: Light hides 8½c for No. 1, 7½c for No. 2, and 6½c for No. 3; to tanners 9½ to 10c for No. 1; heavy hides 8½ to 9½c; calfskins 8c; lambskins 85c; clips 85c.—Trade Bulletin, August 30.

The Boom in Iron.

The Iron Age of New York says: "Under great excitement the market in the central West has scored its greatest advance in so brief a period in Bessemer pig iron. Last Wednesday sales were being made at \$14 at Valley Furnace. On Monday, after heavy transactions, \$15.25 was paid. Subsequently \$15.50 was offered and refused and now the few sellers are demanding \$16. This represents an advance of nearly \$7 per ton above the lowest point touched early in the year. It is a noteworthy fact that some of the largest producers of pig iron for conversion into steel have been heavy buyers right close up to the highest price recorded for actual transactions. It looks, too, as though some of the big concerns must have pretty good indications that the railroad demand, as yet still moderate, is bound to become heavy in the winter and spring and are now covering a probable shortage of raw material. This applies primarily to steel rails and it is very likely that a further advance, in sympathy with higher cost, will soon be agreed. Steel billets have partly followed pig iron, so that now \$23 at Pittsburg is a firm quotation. The last advance in pig iron and billets has not yet found expression in prices for finished product, so that an advance all along the line looks imminent. In those branches which are well organized the next meeting will lead to the necessary marking up. Foundry iron has steadily gained momentum, and is being gathered for a further rise, which is regarded as imminent by many in the trade, in spite of the fact that the largest single metal industry, the cast iron pipe trade, is swiftly approaching its dull season."

J. K. Macdonald, of Toronto, managing director of the Confederation Life Association, his son Charles, and private secretary Mr. Cork, are in the West. Mr. Macdonald is on his way to the Pacific coast and on his return will remain for some time in Manitoba.

Winnipeg Markets a Year Ago.

Wheat.—No. 1 hard, c.i.f. Fort. William afloat, 55 to 55½c new and old wheat ½ to 1c more.

Flour.—Local price, per sack, Patents, \$1.55; Bakers, \$1.45.

Bran.—Per ton, \$11.

Shorts.—Per ton, \$18.

Oats.—Per bushel, new, 25c, old, 23 to 30c.

Barley.—Per bushel, _____

Butter.—Dairy 10 to 14c.

Cheese.—9 to 9½c.

Eggs.—Fresh, easier at 9 to 11c.

Beef.—Fresh, per lb., 5 to 5½c.

Mutton.—Fresh, 8c.

Hogs.—Dressed, 5½ to 6c.

Cattle.—Butchers, 2½ to 2¾c.

Hogs.—Live, good packing 4 to 4½c off cars.

Sheep, average butchers 3c, live weight.

Seneca Root.—23 to 25c per lb.

Chickens.—per pair, 45 to 50c.

Hides.—No. 1, 2 to 2½c.

Potatoes.—new 30 to 35c per bushel.

Hay.—\$4.50 to \$5.00 per ton, car lots.

Wool.—6 to 8½c, unwashed fleece.

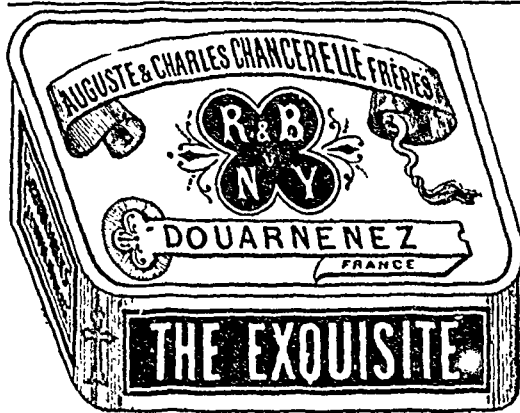
This week last year wheat was moving actively. Elevators at some points were beginning to get filled up and shipments eastwards had begun at the rate of about 50 cars per day. Buyers were paying 40 to 42c to farmers at country points. The first export of sheep ever made from the west went forward this week last year.

The Foreign Wheat Crop.

Details of the Hungarian government estimate of the wheat crops of the different countries are, in bushels: Great Britain, 46,811,000; France, 301,573,000; Germany, 103,550,000; Austria, 45,392,000; Italy, 114,898,000; Belgium, 21,277,000; Spain, 86,528,000; Russia, 415,053,000; Hungary, 150,361,000; India, 237,456,000; United States, 403,017,000; Canada, 51,066,000; Roumania, 62,414,000; Bulgaria, 52,482,000; Turkey, 42,555,000; Argentine, 60,995,000; Australia, 35,746,000. The Netherlands, Switzerland, Denmark, Scandinavia, Portugal and Greece, together 29,502,000; Servia, 8,511,000; Chili, 13,400,000; Africa, 47,094,000; all Asia, except India, 70,950,000; total, 2,402,671,000.

The report that the Massey-Harris company has amalgamated with the Bain Brothers' Manufacturing company, of Brantford, and will branch out into the manufacture of vehicles, is said to be somewhat premature, though negotiations are proceeding to that end.

Monday, Sept. 9, has been definitely fixed upon for the date of opening the new Canadian Soo canal.



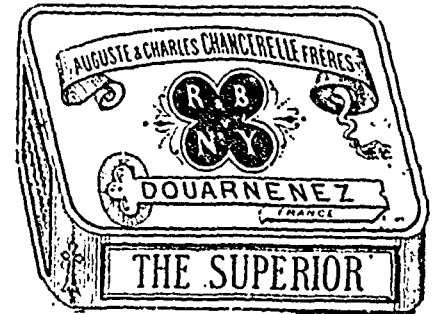
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Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

The following shows the number of cars of wheat inspected at *Winnipeg for the weeks of 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.	Aug. 3	Aug. 10	Aug. 17	Aug. 24	July 27
Extra Manitoba hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 hard.....	1	3	47	23	11
No. 2 hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 North'n.....	0	0	10	3	1
No. 2 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	0	0	0
No. 1 Rejected.....	1	0	1	0	0
No. 2 Rejected.....	0	0	1	1	0
No Grade.....	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	2	3	69	32	12
Same week last year.....	38	74	106	136	55

*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.

Grain and Milling Matters.

A statement by the Minnesota Railroad and Warehousing Commission, shows that a lot of Duluth No. 1 hard wheat which sold in London recently at equal to 80¢ per bushel, was sold at a loss of 1.18 cents when compared with prices at Duluth. In other words the wheat was worth 68¢ at Duluth, and it cost 81.43 cents to lay it down in London, at the time the sale was made, thus showing that the Duluth market was about 1¢ above an export basis on Aug. 18. Prices in both markets have declined since that date.

The Liverpool Corn Trade News of August 20, in estimating the yield of oats in principal countries, says: "The yield in Canada is estimated at 45.3 bushels per acre, pointing to a total yield of about 21,900,000 bushels." This is the estimated yield of the province of Manitoba alone, and is only a small portion of the oat crop of Canada.

All the machinery for the new sorting elevator at Winnipeg has arrived, and will be placed in position immediately. The elevator will be ready for operation in about three weeks and will no doubt have a busy season removing superfluous matter from Manitoba's big wheat crop.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company have constructed a new stone foundation under their elevator at Port Arthur, which is leased by Marks, King & Co.

Leitch Bros., Millers of Oak Lake, Man., are giving their mill a thorough overhauling as well as improving the superficial appearance of their mill with a coat of paint.

The large store house in connection with Dow & Currie's oatmeal mill at Pilot Mound, Man. is completed.

A correspondent at Qu'Appelle, Assa., says: S. P. Clark, representing the Northern Elevator company of Winnipeg, was in town this week seeking a site for an elevator. At the same time almost, another syndicate was looking up land for the same purpose. It is believed that the latter, if not the former also, will build here this fall.

The annual wheat crop estimates for Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota, compiled by H. V. Jones, commercial editor of the Minneapolis Journal, is published. The total yield of wheat in the three states is placed at 166,000,000, divided as follows: Minnesota, 64,000,000; South Dakota, 89,000,000, North Dakota, 63,000,000. The acreage is placed at 3,825,000, each for Minnesota and North Dakota, and 3,000,000 for South Dakota, thus making the average yield

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about 17 bushels per acre. The quality of the crop is relatively not as good as last year, but the report of damage is referred to as not being an important factor.

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Permit me to say that I have endeavored to fill a long felt want, and have come to stay, and whatever else I may do I purpose to study the interests of the producers of this country before anything else, and if buyers and others do not like it I cannot help it.

Do you know what is going to happen? What was wheat worth last May and June? \$1.00. Why? Because it was all cleaned up. What is butter and cheese going to be worth next January and February? Butter from 15 to 20 cents, as to quality. Cheese from 10 to 12½ cents. Why? Because the market is going to be cleaned up. There is no butter of any account in Winnipeg; already grocers are around to buy fine stock. Manitoba butter will be cheaper in Montreal next winter than in Winnipeg if you don't take care, after you are sold out. In June and July you had to sell; what else could you do? There was no place to keep it; all that is changed. I offer to store your stock, keep it good and arrange for advances for a small price. Don't throw your produce away. Now see, by holding and storing you run no risk of having to take less, and you stand a chance to participate in a very material rise.

When I say store your butter I mean that you should get it away from unfavorable surroundings and into good storage. Storekeepers especially cannot avoid the contaminating proximity of the one hundred and other classes of merchandise. Ship it away as fast as it comes in. It will be as much under your control here as if in your own cellar, so far as selling it is concerned. This is essentially a public Cold Storage Warehouse, recognizing positively no control but my own, and is here for your use. By sending your Butter here you will have ten chances to sell at good prices to one if held at home. The best place in the city to store and sell Eggs and Poultry.

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We hear some complaints from parties who have shipped dairy produce from Manitoba to Montreal and have not had satisfactory returns. Country shippers here should be on their guard as to whom they consign goods. There are some commission houses in Montreal, as well as in other cities, who will not prove very satisfactory persons with whom to do business. Some of these houses are all right financially, but in other respects they have a bad record. Consigning goods to unknown parties is always something which should be done with the greatest care. There are some excellent produce houses in Montreal, and care should be taken to select good firms only when goods are consigned. It will not do to place much confidence in newspaper puffs, as to the business standing of men who talk freely to reporters, as a means of advertising themselves and soliciting consignments. We hear of some lots of goods consigned to Montreal parties from whom it has been impossible to get any returns, and we just drop a word of caution to Manitoba shippers who think of consigning dairy products to that or any other market. Before doing so, try and get some reliable report on the subject.

Marketing Creamery Butter.

To the Creameries of Manitoba :

The marketing of our creamery butter at the proper time is one very important feature in building up our reputation as a butter producing province. The latest reports on shipments of creamery product from Manitoba says:

"That the butter is well made, but somewhat off its flavor." This is due to creameries holding butter too long in improper storages at the factories. It is most important that the butter should be shipped regularly every two weeks or every week if possible. It would be better to sell regularly even at the present low prices and get it placed in the consumers hands in a fresh, wholesome state, than to hold it for weeks, even months as is done in some cases, until the article is stale and off its flavor and unsaleable.

It is a regrettable fact that a few of the creameries have held the whole season's make with a view to securing higher prices, but the early made butter cannot now be of finest quality, as the fresh rosy flavor has more or less departed from it. If creamery men do not feel disposed to sell at prices that are going when the butter is ready to sell, they should ship the goods to some cold storage regularly and not hold it at the creameries where the refrigerator rooms are, I regret to say, very imperfect.

There is a wide difference between creamery butter and dairy butter, and the former requires very careful attention to protect it after it is manufactured. Creamery is very much finer in quality and consequently more delicate in its nature than dairy butter, therefore it is imperative that it should be marketed at the earliest possible date after it is made. The reputation of the province should be the first matter to consider and even if the farmer has to take a little lower price at certain times in the year it is far better to do so and sell the butter fresh than to place old butter on the market and get a lower price after the butter has deteriorated and a bad reputation.

This year the eyes of the world are upon this province in a dairy point of view, hence it is important that every possible care be exercised in handling our creamery output. It would be money in the farmers' pockets in the end to sell this year even at a loss in order to place our creamery butter on the market in the finest possible shape for there is no other way known on earth to establish a good reputation than by giving the consumers our butter fresh and wholesome and regular.

What the market requires in creamery butter is sweet, creamy flavor and mild, clear in color and properly packed. Every package must be lined with parchment paper and must be neat, tidy and clean in appearance.

I trust that these hints, coupled with those given so often personally will be acted upon and that the next report upon our butter will be more favorable.

C. C. MACDONALD,
Dairy Superintendent.

Stuart & Harper, dealers in machinery, Winnipeg, report a good trade this season in engines and boilers for cheese and butter factories. They have also had several contracts for supplying machinery for new flour mills, or improving old mills, and also for elevator machinery. This firm handles every class of machinery except agricultural, including flour mill, saw mill and elevator machinery, steam engines, boilers, etc. They also handle machinery plants from defunct or bankrupt establishments, and do a large trade in buying and selling second hand machinery, so that they frequently have bargains to offer in lines of machinery. The Dodge wood split pulley is a line which they handle

which is having a large sale. They have a machine shop in connection with their establishment, by which they are enabled to put all second hand machinery in good order for purchasers. They also do electrical repair work.

The following item from a Montana paper will show one of the dangers of wire fences: The Benton River Press reports that "while a band of 800 cattle were being driven along a roadway, fenced in on both sides with barbed wire, a heavy thunderstorm broke over the outfit, and a bolt of lightning striking a fence post near by, tore off the wires for a stretch of nearly 800 yards. The wires were so highly charged with the electric fluid that thirty of the animals which were crowded by the others against the wires, were instantly stricken dead."

The announcement is made that the Banque du Peuple, of Montreal, which suspended recently, will open again for business about the 1st of October.

The territorial legislative assembly was opened at Regina on Aug. 30. The address from Governor Mackintosh was an unusually lengthy one and covered a great variety of subjects, including the crops, the exhibition, progress of irrigation, school matters, mining, stock raising, etc., etc.

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