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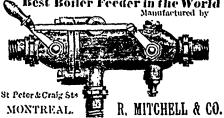
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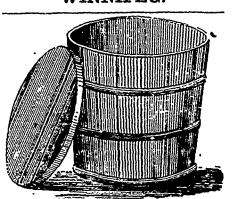
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WINNIPEG, MAY 18, 1886.

Passenger traffic westward is heavy.

S. A. CLARKE, contractor, Regina, is giving up business.

L. Lustko has gone into the butcher business at Stonewall.

A. McKenzie has opened a bakery at Qu'Appelle station.

DIER has sold his interest in the Virden flour mill to F. Koester.

JAS. LAWRENCE, JR., will open a hardware store at Stonewall.

W. GINN, general storekeeper, Dominion City, is out of business.

JOHN DOUGLAS has started a blecksmith shop at Penrith, near Virden.

The new time table on the C.P.R. will go into force on the first of June.

MEIRLE & COPPINGER, general storekeepers, Morden, have removed to Ne'son,

A. J. McGuire & Rro. have commenced the monufacture of cigars in Winnipeg.

W. WILKINSON has started in the produce commission business, at Port Arthur.

THE Bill to incorporate the Manitoba Dairy Association has passed its third reading.

ABOUT 1000 head of cattle arrived at Medicine Hat last week for ranches in that district.

LAKE Winnipeg is said to be free of ice. Steamers will commence running this week.

Sixty tons of freight was started by flat hoats last week from Medicine Hat bound for Prince Albert.

Two tug boats are being built at Sandwich, Out., for Gauthier's fishing industry on Lake Manitoba.

THE H. B. Co.'s buildings at Portage la Prairie will be moved to the vicinity of the post office.

It is said that an elevator will be erected at Wapella, in connection with the proposed flour mill at Moosomin.

ANDERSON & COLLINS, of Brandon, have received the contract to supply the Stoney Indians with beef at 9c per round.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE now has a telephone service, at rates of \$30 per year for business places and \$25 for residencess.

THE C.P.R. directors will erect several hotels along the line. Vancouver and Banff hot springs are the two points so far selected.

S. J. McLaren, dealer in clothing, Port Arthur and Winnipeg, has closed his Winnipeg branch and moved the stock to Port Arthur.

The Manitoba Sun Publishing Co. will shortly commence the publication of a weekly edition. The daily Sun is already achieving great success.

The American Plumbing Co., of Winnipeg, are arranging a dissolution, N. D. McDonald being desirous of withdrawing from the business.

The Rapid City cheese factory will have double the capacity this year that it had last. The factory has been in operation for some time.

The Blackfeet Indians at Gleichen shipped a cefforts of a year ago in car of potatoes to Calgary last week, and are called "better terms."

going extensively into oats and putatoes this year.

During the six months ending May 1st, there were shipped from Virden 250,000 bushels of wheat, 13,000 bushels of oats and 5,500 of barley.

The Hudson's Bay Co's saw and grist mill at Strathclair, were destroyed by fire, on Monday of last week. The lumber was saved but the flour was consumed.

WHITEHEAD, of the firm of Whitehead, & Whitla, general stovekeepers, Brandon, has withdrawn from the partnership, and his place will be taken by J. R. Strome, of the late firm of Strome & Henderson, of Portage la Plaicie.

The Industrial News, a weekly journal to be published in the interest of labor, made its first appearance in this city on Friday. It is a neat little paper typographically, and no doubt will receive a liberal support from those in whose interest it will be published.

The last Manitoba Gazette contains a notice of application for the incorporation of the Manitoba Free Press Company, with a capital stock of \$100,000. The applicants are, W. F. Luxton, Arch. McNee, W. F. Alloway, Alex McDorald, D. H. McMillan and D. L. McIntyre.

The Pray Manufacturing Co. has recently secured the service of Geo. F. Wescott, a gentleman well known to the milling public, having for several years held a responsible position with the Noye Manufacturing Co., and he will pay particular attention to the Pray Company's trade over she line. He departed Monday for Winnipeg, Man., and will make that place headquarters.

In the Local Legislature the Budget speech of Premier Norquay was the feature of the part week, but it was a rather uninteresting one. The honorable gentleman with a display of considerable ingenuity showed how a revenue of over half a million could be expended on a civil service and other details, without grappling with any point connected with the development of the province. Mr. Norquay congratuated Manitoba upon being able to support a system of Government, and culogized his own efforts of a year ago in connection with the equalled "better terms."

Business East.

ONTARIO.

E. Healey, grocer, Hamilton, has sold out.

C. L. Driefer, grocer, London, is selling out. Sengog Paper Co., Lindsay, were burned out.

Richard Raycroft, grover, Hamilton, has sold out.

J. M. Clark, tailors, Hamilton: closed by bailiff.

Conn & Bro., tinsmiths, Ayln et, have dissolved.

Wm. Flynn, tinsmith, Kingston, has assigned in trust.

T. H. Turner, grocer, Toronto, has assigned in trust.

Geo. H. Trylor, publisher, Wallaceburg, has sold out.

Kennedy & West, tailors, Chatham, have dissolved.

Jos. Fee, grocer, Toronto, has sold out to W. L. Brown.

P. H. Black, general storekeeper, Blenheim, has sold out.

Mis. Sarah Walsh, dealer in shoes, Windsor, has sold out.

John Appleyard, tinsmith, Beeton, has sold out to J. Bell.

J. W. Synder, grocer, Thamesville, has assigned in trust.

Jos. Cherney & Son, grocers, Samia; Jos. Cherney is dead.

J. P. Newman, shoe maker, Listowel, has assigned in trust.

Thos. Harrison, general storekeeper, Thorndale, has sold out.

James Mason, dealer in confectionery, Hamilton, has sold out.

Wm. Turner, jr., shoe manufacturer, Hamilton, has assigned.

Geo. Prangley, hotelkeeper, Bothwell, has moved to Strathroy.

C. E. Nelles, harness maker, Port Rowan, has assigned in trust.

A. Wright, shoe maker, Lindsay, has sold out to T. G. Marlatt.

Mrs. E. Bisson, dealer in fancy goods, Aylmer, has sold out.

Rowland & Davis, dealers in stoves, Trenton, have assigned in trust.

Alex. Burgess, dealer in confectionery, Hamilton: closed by bailiff.

F. Marshall & Co., grocers, Toronto, have sold out to A. Waddell.

T. H. Hern, dealer in picture frames, Lindsay has assigned in trust.

Alfred Spafford, hotelkeeper, Toronto, has sold out to T. A. German.

John & Esplin, butchers, Port Elgin, have gone out of business and away.

Mrs. B. Kirton, dealer in shoes and geoceries, Wallaceburg, has sold out.

Jas. A. Milne, general storekeeper, Stirling Falls, has assigned in trust.

A. L. Bishop, dealer in shingles, Bishops vills, has assigned in trust.

A. G. Horwood, hardware merchant, Dovercourt, has assigned in trust.

A. B. Atcheson, general storek seper, Meaford; advertises to sell out.

W. J. Hall, dry goods dealer, Peterboro; advertises business for sale.

A. Clegg, Furniture and grist mill, Peterboro; sold out grist mill.

B. S. Barnard, dealer in fancy goods, Ridgetown; bailiff in possession.

H. R. Graham, dry goods dealer, Meaford; advertises business for sale.

Win. Robertson, general stoickeeper, Dunchurch, has assigned in trust

Sweetman & Huzleton, piano manufocturers, Guelph, have assigned in trust.

Copp Bros., foundrymen, Kamilton; premises and stock damaged by fire.

T. McKenney, & Co., druggists, Thornbury, has sold out to S. L. Howe & Co.

Miss E. Wells, dealer in faucy goods Simcoe, has sold out to Mrs. R. G. Rosser.

Leroy & Co., hotelkeepers, Meaford, have dissolved; M. B. Lloyd continues.

Wm. Bryce, wholesale and retail stationer, Loudon, has sold out one of his stores.

W. W. Chown & Bro., hardware merchants, Belleville, have dissolved; A. R. Chown continues.

Smith & Davidson, dealers in implements, Millhook, have dissolved; Matthew Smith continues.

Hymmen Bros., hardware merchants, Berlin, have admitted R. Chamberlin as partner; style now Hymmen Bros. & Chamberlain.

OUEBEC

Boyer & Co., furniture dealers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Barnston Bros., stock brokers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Superior, Schluberg & Co., jewelers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Trugheim & Co., cigar manufacturers, Montreal, have dissolved.

M. D. Clairvoux, general storekeeper, Hull, ites assigned in trust.

Fletcher Thompson, general storekeeper, Sherbrooke, has sold out.

Green & Houston, wholesale liquor dealers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Ward & Davison, manufacturing ogents, Montreal, have dissolved.

John McDonough, dealer in clothing, Montical, is offering to compromise.

M. Jacobs & Co., eigar manufacturers, Montreal; called meeting of creditors.

A. Martel & Frere, agents, Montreel, have dissolved; style now Martel & Co-sure.

Huston. Fisher & Co., wholesale clothers, Montreal, have dissolved; style now Chas. Huston & Co.

Donot Baribaalt, general storekeeper, St. Genevieve de Batiscan: demand of assignment made on him.

NOVA SCOTIA.

J. Daniel Gorman, grocer, Halifax, has assigned.

J. A. Ward, carriage maker, Cauning, has assigned.

Windsor Gas Co., Windsor; advertises business for sale.

Gates Bros., millers, Melvern Square & Truro, have assigned.

Locke & Johnson, generalstorekeepers, Lockeport, have dissolved.

Movements of Business Men.

S. O. Shorey, wholesale clothier, Montreal, late of Winnipeg, was in the city last week.

E. L. Drewry, president of the Winnipeg Rifle Club, has presented a \$50 cup for competition among members of the club.

Dennis Ryen, of St. Paul, passed through to Rat Portage on Friday, where he is interested in the lumber business.

Recent Legal Decisions.

INSURANCE FOR BENEFIT OF OTHERS .- SUR-RENDER .- A person took out three policies of insurance on his own life for the benefit of his wife and children. After the death of his wife he surrendered the policies, signing as guardian of his children, all of whom, with one exception, were of full age. The New York Court of Appeals held (Whitehead vs. New York Life Insurance Company) that the surrenders were void; that under the New York statutes the policies at the moment of their execution were vested in the wife and children; that the policies could not be surrendered without their assent, and that the surrender having been made without that assent the children were entitled to recover the amount of the policies unforfeited at the time of the surrender, less unpaid premiums and interest.

IMRCENY—LOAN—MISTAKE AS TO AMOUNT.—
A curious larceny case was lately before the English Court for Crown Cases Reserved. In this case, Reg. vs. Ashwell, it appeared that the defendent asked a person for the lean of a shilling. The person asked gave him what he supposed to be a shilling, but which was in fact a sovereign. He changed the sovereign, kept the change, and when told of the mistake at first denied the receipt of the sovereign, but afterwards admitted that he had got it and had spent half the money. The Court held that the defendant was guilty of the crime of larceny.

INSURANCE POLICY-FORFEITURE-WAIVER. -In 1879 one Jones took out an insurance policy in the National Mutual Benefit Association, for the benefit of his family, and paid all the assessments promp'ly until February, 1833, when he defaulted in one beyond the time prescribed by the charter. Under the terms of the charter Jones' membership was thus forfeited, but he subsequently tendered the amount due, and, convery to the provisions of the charter. the secretary and treasurer accepted it, giving him an unconditional receipt. A subsequent assessment was also paid by Jones, upon notice by the secretary and treasurer, and he died shortly afterward. The wife of Jones, as administratrix of her husband, demanded payment of the amount of the pointy, but the company refused on the ground that Jones had forfeited his membership by his default, and that the subsequent acceptance of a tender of money and the assessment made afterwards were unauthorized. It was shown on the trial that this method of doing business had become a practice in the office of the association, and judgment was given for the plaintiff, loss a certain percentage authorized to be withheld by the charter. This decision has just been affirmed by the Kentucky Court of Appeals, Jones vs. The National Mutual Benefit Associ-

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The Commercial

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INDEPENDENCE OF PARLIAMENT.

In its issue of May 7th, the Monetary Times of Toronto in referring to the efforts of Mr. Hugh Sutherland, M.P., for the construction of the Hudson's Bay railway, has the following on the independence of parliament:

"Public opinion is beginning to pronounce adversely to members of parliament being interested in railways which receive grants of public land. At present there is nothing in the law to prevent it, and the question has arisen out of some incidents, real or supposititious, connected with the Northwest Central Railway. It is possible that, in future, the Independence Parliament Act may be so am inded as to exclude members of parliament from public companies which receive aid, in any form from the legislature. Such a measure, if proposed, would probably encounter no opposition from any quarter"

We have no wish to make this instance of Mr. Sutherland and the Hudson's Bay road a special argument in favor of amending the Independence of Parliament Act, not being either so much interested in, or anxious for obstructing this project, as the Monetary Times has so frequently shown itself of late. Nor indeed can we see anything in the terms of the charter which would indicate any special blunder on the part of the Dominion House in granting this charter to one of its own members. As yet it has shown up none of the ugly features rumored about the Northwest Central road, and had the scheme ever disclosed a wide field for plunder for "the boys," it is not likely that Mr. Sutherland and his colleagues would have got the charter so easily through the Dominion Parliament.

But there is undoubtedly wisdom in the amending of the Independence of Parliament Act as shadowed by our Toronto contemporary, and with the passing of such legislation there is no part of the Dominion which would be more benefited than Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. The older provinces of Canada own their own lands and other natural resources, and consequently are in a rosition to grapple with their own public works undertakings without submitting to the meddling of Ottawa politicians. With the province and the terr

tories beyond it is quite different. We are allowed to own and administer none of our lands or other natural resources, and when any public work is undertaken here, Ottawa politicians vote the payment mainly from resources here, and as experience has shown, take care to look after their own interests when so doing. The fact that the Hudson's Bay railway charter is out of the clutches of eastern politicians and in the hands of Northwestern men is one of the greatest mysteries of Ottawa legislation, and can only be accounted for by the supposition that when granted these eastern politicians believed it to be of no value, and merely a charter for an imagina y road. We say it is a mystery, for with the exception of this charter the history of the Northwest since confederation does not furnish another public works undertaking therein, in which eastern interests were not the first, and Northwestern merely a secondary consideration, if considered at all. Any amendment therefor, which would shut out the interference in our public works of members of parliament, who have no interest in this country beyond the desire to make profit out of such interference, would be a change for the better in so far as it would put a check upon political "backsheesh," and would doubtless leave a field for the enterprise and capital of men better fitted to grapple with great public undertakings, than are the bulk of our Dominion M.P's, and especially that class who are most ready to secure and peddle a charter.

But the principle of complete independence need not be confined to the Dominion Parliament, for it can be carried with profit into provincial legislatures, and with telling effect into our Manitoba one. An expensive Royal commission has recently been at work in this province to wash out the filth thrown deservedly or undeservedly upon the leader of the Government in power. As in all such muddles a great share of the mud piled upon Mr. Norquay was probably without foundation in fact. But with an absolute independence of the Local Legislature, which would prevent the use of names of prominent politicians for joint stock booming purposes. Mr. Norquay nor no other member of that house could be made even a dupe of schemers, and the late Royal Commission would never have been necessary. But when we find the name of the Premier of a province on the directorate of a coal-

mining company, which commenced operations with about \$4,500 of cash resources, and in a little over a year reached insolvency with liabilities of about \$60,000; or on the directorate of a gold mining company, which has sunk thousands upon thousands of dollars secured from the sale of stock certificates, and which has never yielded one dollar of returns, but has sunk all in digging a big hole in the ground to which it holds no title, fitting up offices, and supplying printed matter and stationery, we must expect that the mass of people who take only a superficial view of such matters will expect that "there is something rotten in Denmark." therefore the indepenpence of the Dominion Parliament is made so absolute that the names of members can be accepted and used only as men who serve their country purely for the remuneration their country allows them, then by all means let the principle be extended to Provincial Legis'atures, for it is certainly much needed.

A GREAT SCHEME.

The Toronto Globe has been getting its name up of late for crank correspondents, some of whom have shown themselves rather mischievous as well as erratic, as for instance Mr. Conant with his famous letter on the Northwest. But perhaps the most ecstatic crank who has yet scribbled for the columns of that journal, is one who has recently written under the heading of this article. The "Great Scheme" this correspondent has got so impressed upon his narrow and biassed mind is as yet only in the intentions of Senator John Sherman of Ohio, who thinks of placing before the two houses of Congress a huge railroad undertaking, which includes a great trunk line connecting the United States with all the republics of Central and Western South America down south we suppose to the wilds of Patagonia, from which both eastward and westward at convenient distances branches will be run to the Atlantic and Pacific shores.

The financial success of this monster undertaking the Globe correspondent never for a moment questions, but swallows the whole affair with a firm belief in the financial omnipotence of Senator John Sherman, an ex-Secretary of the United States treasury. But the sucking capacity of this ecstatic mortal does not end here, for he jumps to the conclusion that with

the construction of this great trunk line, with its dendritic branches, the whole nations of this continent, Canada excepted, will bury their differences of race, religion, and self-interest, and become members of one great continental family, a sort of continental millennium, in the privileges of which no one in the Old World or north of the forty-ninth parallel of north latitude in the New World will be allowed to participate, but over which the out-spread wings of the American eagle will furnish a protection and shelter. This Globe correspondent reasons, or rather raves, as follows:

"It would divert the trade of that continent from Great Britain to America, because it would enable Americans to make a direct instead of an indirect exchange of products. Reciprocity with each other would mean a tarif wall against the rest of the world. The treas ury of the United States is overflowing with money, and the public credit is unlimited. The manufacturing establishments of the Union are on a scale that reaches beyond home requirements, and they must have an outlet."

After slobbering over half a column or so of this stuff, the ecstatic asks, "Now where is Canada in this matter?"

Any Canadian with the most shadowy knowledge of the geography and topography of Central and South America, the same of the slyness of capital, an ounce of Canadian patriotism, and one half of that quantity of the commonest horse sense, will be ready to answer, "Outside of the crazy hallucination thank goodness."

It is an old saying that converts or perverts are invariably fanatics, and are ever ready to run to extremes. Many people have laughed at Mr. Bernal Osborne's caricature of the Scotchman, who discarded the philobeg for breeches so tight that sneezing or coughing ment certain rupture of those nether garments. A companion picture for this can be found in the atitude of the Globe and other Ontario Reform journals on the question of commercial union with the United States, and a favorite method of airing advanced ideas on the subject is through the medium of correspondents, as the Globe has done on this occasion. The national policy of protective tariffs inaugurated by the Conservative party of Canada has built up a powerful interest in Ontario, formerly the very citadel of Reform politics. Protection has become popular there, because it is lucrative to

the most powerful class in the province, and with that shuffling substitute for honest caution, which politicians know haw to adopt, the leaders and press of the Reform party in Ontario have shelved the old free trade policy, which was the mainstay of the party, and substituted commercial union with the United States. To acknowledge conversion or perversion to protective principles, would be acknowledging a policy of blundering in the past, and furnish the people of Canada with a production of a political "Box and Cox," ten times more ludicrious than the stale old farce itself. For free trade in an unlimited sense, they have substituted free trade with the United States only, which means that Canada is suffering heavily under a protective tariff averaging less than thirty per cent, but would be relieved of its sufferings if buried commercially in the United States, and under a turiff averaging nearly fifty per cent. Truly this doctrine is an eccentric one for a party, which in years gone by has held to free trade as one of the solidest planks in its platform. Of course when pressed the old free trade doctrine can be trotted out and allowed to have a flicker, and the honest voter and tax-payer can behold the exalted tariff of commercial union and literal free trade side by side, and hear the Reform politicians exclaim in showman language, "You pays your money and you takes your choice." The opposition party with such an elastic trade policy forcibly reminds us of the excluded negro in that old ditty of, "Who's dat knockin at de door," whose persistent reply to every interrogation was, "Let me in."

But commercial union has to be handled a little carefully, and its extreme points advanced from anonymous or irresponsible sources, and thus we have the Globe correspondent with his "great scheme" He, like our Winnipeg contemporary the Free Press, is prepared to swallow commercial union on any terms as the "sine qua non" of Canadian hopes, and has discovered in this "great scheme" a sort of "raw head and bloody bones" with which to frighten Canadians into his own visionary views. His pictures of the commercial isolation and desolation, which will befall Canada if she cannot share in this "great scheme" are so terrible that they are incomplete without the "Jack and the beam stalk" preface of "fe! fa!! fo !!! fum !!!!" Our Dominion he pictures shut out from all intercourse with neighboring nations of America, and forced to seek an outlet for our enterprise through the frozen regions of the arctic circle, while to the music of a duet of the American eagle and the screech of the locomotive, United States producers will deluge with their products and at their own prices the whole continent from Mexico to Patagonia. The thought is awful that Canadians are likely to let slip from them all the benefits of participation in this great American continental commercial millennium.

In every bundle of nonsence there are usually some grains of sense, and the "great scheme" correspondent supplies his small share in the following: "The manufacturing establishments of the Union are on a scale that reaches beyond home requirements, and they must have an outlet." It might we'll be added "and an outlet they cannot find." system of protection, reaching to practical prohibition in many instances, the United States have built up a huge producing power in manufactures, but a producing power which is powerless to compete in foreign markets, even where its products are admitted duty free. Its whole system of trade is based upon inflation, and now that a foreign market for products has become a necessity it cannot find one. The result is overproduction, followed by depression, with labor and capital troubles staring the nation in the face, which threaten to culminate in a social revolution, scarcely less serious in its consequences than the great revolution, which swept over France near the close of the past century. Truly a "great scheme" is necessary to lift a great nation from such an unenviable state. Pehaps the one of the Globe correspondent might have the desired effect, but we fear an American continental commercial union such as he has pictured, would have to be preceded by an American continental conquest, and the American people never had much desire for wars of conquest. We may safely conclude therefore that the "great scheme" exists in the imagination of the Globe correspondent, or if Senator Sherman h , admitted its paternity, it is only the frantic clutch for a renewal of power, which would be expected from a man, who as a cabinet mirister bitterly opposed and often frustrated the attempt of President Hayes at reform of a rascally civil service.

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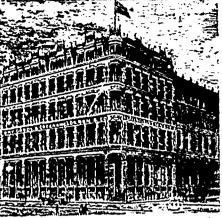
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WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

Any change which may have taken place in monetary matters since our last report has been so slight as not to be perceptible even to the close observer. Last week was one of the usual quiet nature and quite in keeping with the prevailing situation in the money market for some time back. There was a moderate call for straight commercial discounts, but miscellancous transactions were few and far between. Rates of discount continue steady at from 7 per cent. for best paper to 10 for promisenous. The call for advances on real property has been again very light, though some agents report an inproved demand. There has been some slight movement in city properties, and an occasional transaction is heard of. Farm properties are quiet. Rates of interest are steady at from 7 to 9 per cent.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

In wholesale trade circles the past week, has been characterised by that quiet feeling which has been the main feature of the situation for some weeks back. The movement of commodities was not perciptably greater than the previous week, and the holiday coming on Wednesday no doubt had the effect of somewant diminishing the volume of trade for the week. Now that spring seeding operations have been completed, dealers are looking forward to a speedy commencement of the spring and summer sorting trade, which in some lines should set in very soon. Collections have been generally quiet.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.

The season for cross plows, barrows and seeders is now considered over for this spring, and the aggregate trade done in these implements has been only of moderate dimension and not in excess of last year. In wagons a moderate movement is now going on and the demand for breaking plows has set in to some extent. though the call for these latter is not expected to be very extensive before June. The effect of new immigration has not yet been felt on the trude and does not usually appear until June, new settlers generally commencing the first season with the breaking plow. Stocks of implements in the country are lighter this year than for five years back, and are therefore not ont of proportion to the demand.

BOOTS AND SHOES,

Neither wet weather nor fine weather Leems to have any influence on the boot and shoe trade towards developing the usual sorting demand at this season. The trade continues very quiet and with all the rain even rubber goods have not come into request. However, it may be the calm before the storm. Dealers report collections averaging up fairly well.

CLOTHING.

Even during the dullest season there is always a little doing, and this will about explain the situation in the clothing trade. There is very little doing yet in the way of a sorting business. Travellers are now on the road, and already a few orders have been taken for fall delivery. Collections about an average for the season.

CROCKERY AND GLASOWARE.

This line is having its quiet season along with all the other branches of the wholesaie trade, but there is still some little movement, which is in proportion to the general demand at this time. Collections are naidly up to the standard,

DRY COODS.

The indications in this branch during the week have not been indicative of any very sudden awakening to a more active condition of things. In fact ther, has been no change to note in any particular, and exactly the same er litions have prevailed as noted in our last report. There has been only a very moderate sorting trade doing and the movement has been m about the same proportion as during the past few weeks. Now that spring farming operations have been concluded, dealers are expecting an early improvement in the demand for their goods, and the developments of the next few weeks will be awaited with interest. Collections have been somewhat steady.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

Trade continues about as usual and prices are still unchanged as follows: howard's quinine, 90c to \$1.00; German quinine, 80 to 90c; opium, \$4.50 to \$5.00; morphia, \$2 to \$2.50; rodine, \$4.25 to \$4.50; bromide potassium, 50 to 55e; American camphor, 33 to 40e; English camphor, 45 to 50e; glycerine, 25 to 35c, tartaric acid, 65 to 70c; cream of tarter, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg \$5 to \$10; orcarb soda, \$4.50 to \$5; sal soda, \$2.25 to \$2.50; soda ash, \$3 to \$3.25; chlorate potash, 25 to 35c; alum, \$2.75 to \$3; copperas, \$3 to \$3.25; sulphur, flour, \$4 to \$4.25; sulpner, roll, \$3.75 to \$4; American blue vitrol, 6 to 7e.

FANCY GOODS AND SMALLWARES,

Travellers on the road have taken a fair number of sorting orders, but altogether trade has been very quiet since the first of the month. Returns for March and April show those months to have aggregated consider bly better than last year.

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There is nothing new in fresh water fish in the market, and the supply is still confined to the river varieties. These are not in large supply and prices irregular. A consignment of frozen Lake Winnipeg white arrived from Selkirk during the week in good condition. The market is now well supplied with fresh sea fish in considerable variety. Prices are as follows: Salt white, \$4 per bbl; Labrador herrings \$8 per bbl; salmon, \$17 per bbl; mackerel \$1 to \$1.75 per kit; smoked haddocks, 91 to 10c per pound. Fresh see fish are quoted: haddock 10c; cod 10c.

PRUITS.

Choice apples hold steady at old quotations, though the demand is somewhat slower. Oranges have been in light supply and at one time stocks were nearly exhausted. Some Californias are still in the market, but several old brands are now out, among these Riversides. Quotations are as follows: California Oranges, \$4 to \$5.25 per box, Messinas, \$7.50 to \$8, Blood oranges, ½ boxes, \$4 to \$4.50. Apples are in fair supply and are worth about \$4.00 | tractors for buildings now going on in the city.

to \$5.00 for extra choice. Messina lemons, \$8.00; valencia raisins, \$3.75; London layer misine, \$4.00 to \$4.25; black crown, \$5.00 to\$5.25 walnuts, 15 to 20c a lb; almonds, 20c; filberts, 15c; pecans, 16c; peanuts, 17c for roasted and 13c for raw; figs 18c to 20c.; dates mata 8 to 10c; golden 11c. Apple cider. \$10 per bbl.

FUEL.

There is now a steady trade doing with dealers in the city, supplies delivered on the market by farmers having ceased. Americah soft coall has been co siderably reduced in price. Quotations are: poplar \$3.25; to \$3.35; oak \$5.00 to \$5.50; tamarac \$4.50. Prices are for lots, on track Hard coal is worth \$9.00 to \$9.50, and American steam coal, \$6.85 on track. Blacksmiths' coal, \$12.00 per ton. Galt coal sells at \$6.50 on track.

FURNITURE.

About the usual light trade has been doing in this line, consisting mainly of small orders from the country. Collections are slow.

GROCERIES

Sugars still hold very firm and the advance promises to be maintained. T. & B. tobacco is quoted ic higher at the factory, but the price has not changed here yet. Other goods are steady and unchanged. Trade has been rather backward and collections slow Quotations are as follows: yellow 71 to 71c; granulated 81c; lump 97 Coffces, Rios, 12 to 134c; Government Java 28c, other Ir vas 22c; Mochas 31 to 34c. Teas range, Moyune gunpowder 25 to 70c; panfired Japan 23 to 45c, basket-fired 25 to 40c, Ping Sucy young hyson 20 to 30c; Moyune young hyson 25 to 50c; Season's congous, 1885-86, 20 to 55c. Syrups, corn, \$2.30 to \$2.50; sugar, cane, \$2 to \$2.20; T. & B. tobacco \$10.

Prices rule steady and unchanged as follows: Steers. Winnipeg inspection, No. 1 7c; No. 2, 6c; cow., No. 1, 6c. No. 2, 5c; balls, 5c. calf, fine haired real veal, 7 to 13 pound skius, No. 1, 10; No. 2, Sc. Sheep pelts, 30 to 65c. Tallow 31c per lb.

HARDWARE AND METALS.

Block tin has advanced 4cat London. Leads are firm at old quotations. Ingot tin is quoted le higher. Quotations are as follows : Cut nails, 10d and larger \$3.35 to \$3.75; I. C. tin plates, \$5.50 to \$5.75; I. C. tin plates, double, \$11 to \$11.50; Canada-plates, \$3.50 to \$3.75; sheet iron, \$3 to \$4.50, according to grade; iron ripe, 40 to 50 per cent. off list prices; ingot tin, 26 to 30c per lb., according to quality, bar iron, \$2.50 to \$3 per 100 lb; shot, 61 to 7c a lb; tarred felt, \$2.60 to 2.85 per 100 lbs; barbed wire 7 to 71.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Prices remain steady and unchanged as follows: Spanish sole, 30 to 32e; slaughter sole, 33 to 35c; French calf, first choice, \$1 .-35 to \$1.50; Canada Calf \$1.00; French kip, \$1 to \$1.10; B Z 'cip, 85 to 90c; slaughter kip, 55 to 75c; No. 1, wax upper, 50c; grain upper, 65c; harness leather, 33 to 35c for plump stock; American oak sole, 55 to 60.

LUMBER.

Dealers report a good demand from city con-

One dealer reports a better business than for two years back. From the country there has not been much improvement in the demand, though a better call is looked for very shortly.

PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.

A better movement has again set in, but trade is still on the quiet side, the weather having been too wet to induce much of a demand. Quotations are as follows: turpentine Suc; linseed oil, raw 75c per gal., boiled 78c; seal oil steam refined, \$1.10; castor, 14c per lb; lard No 1, \$1.00 per gal; olive, \$1.60 to \$2, according to quality; machine oils, black 25c; oleine. 40c; fine qualities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, headlight, 26c; water white, 30c. Calcined plaster, \$4.00 per bbl; Portland cement, \$5; white lead, genuine. 7.50; No 1 \$7.00; No 2, \$6.50 and window glass, first break, \$2.50.

SADDLEPY AND HARNESS.

A good trade is reported in the demand for manufactured goods. In saddlery hardware and harness sundries there is only a light trade at present. Collections are slow.

STATIONERY AND PAPER.

There has been no change in this branch and nothing special to note beyond the usual steady

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Scarcely any movement in this branch, and little business looked for until the new licenses have been granted. Quotations are: Gooderman & Wo:t's 5 year old, \$2.75; 7 year old, \$3.25; old rye,\$1.80; Jules Robin brandy, \$4.50; Bisquet Debouche & Co., \$4.75; Martell, \$6 Hennesy, \$6.50; DeKuyper gin, \$2.75; Port wine, \$2.25 and upwards; Sherry \$2.25 and upwards; Jamaica rum, \$3 50; DeKuyper red gin, \$11 per case; DeKuyper green gin, \$6 per case; Tom Gin. \$9.50 to \$10.00; Martell and Hennety's brandy \$13.50 per case of 12 bottles.

THE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

There has been scarcely any change in the grain market here during the past week and the situation has remained almost as quiet as for the few preceding weeks. Farmers who have now about completed seeding have been bringing in a few loads at some provincial points, but the showery weather of the week has not been favorable to handling grain, though facorable to growing crops. There is also considerable work to occupy the attention of facinets and keep them from delivering their surplus grain, which they still have on hand after completing seeding, though the amount held in this way is not large. Values have been very steady and with scarcely a change of any kind in quotations. Provisions have been in only moderate demand and prices firm.

WHEAT.

Hardly anything has been done by dealers in the city in handling wheat on the spot, and the movement has been confined to shipments from stocks at Lake Superior ports. Since the comriction of seeding a few loads have been de-livered at some points throughout the province, but these have not been in sufficient quantities

to cause any stir. The weather has been favorable to the growing crop, and frequent warm showers have accelerated the growth. The prospect at this time of year was never better in this province. Some estimates place the increased acreage at 30 per cent., though there is considerable guess work about it, as returns yet to hand are not definite enough to base safe estimate At Montreal Manitoba No. 1 damaged wheat is quoted at 92 to 95c. Quotations here are unchanged as follows: No. 1 hard, 78c; No. 2 75c; No. 1 northern, 75c; No. 2 70e : No. 3 60e.

FLOUR.

The flour market has continued very dull and the output has been considerably curtailed, mills only running on half time. It is reported that rates for flour via the lakes will be 11c per 100 higher than last year, and millers who have been holding stocks for shipment on the openmg of navigation are considerably depressed at this announcement. No exports have been made yet. The new arrangement will favor the exportation of the wheat for grinding in the east, in preference to grinding here and exporting the flour. Manitoba strong bakers has sold in Montreal at \$4.70 to \$4.75. Prices here are unchanged as follows: patents, 2.45; strong bakers, \$2.15; XXXX \$1.70, and superfine \$1.10 to \$1.20.

BRAN AND SHORTS

Steady and unchanged at \$10.25 for bran and \$11.25 for shorts.

Prices remain steady and unchanged at \$2.25 for standard and \$2.50 for granulated.

Offerings continue fairly liberal and prices about the same as previous quotations, at 25 to

ECGS.

Precipts continue to come to hand more fre grand the supply is now in excess of the demand. Prizes have gradually declined and at the close of the week configurents would not bring over 9 to 10c. Another drop to 8c is expected.

There is no change to note in this product. Prime home manufactured is quoted at from 101 to 11c, and medium 91 to 10c.

BUTTER.

There has been some improvement in the receipt of butter, principally in the shape of rolls, though the supply is still none too liberal. Croice rolls bring from 20 to 22e, and tubs and pails about 20c. Nearly all the butter now coming in is new and brings above prices, though some consignments of poor quality will not be taken by dealers at more than 12 to 18c.

OATS.

There has been no demand for oats in car lots, and the feeling is easier, 25c would now be the outside price, and it would be hard to find purchasers even at that figure. loads offered on the market had brought from 25 to 26c.

BARLEY.

There is nothing doing in this grain outside of sales of small lots for seed, which bring about

BACON.

The demand has been limited to a few small lots, which have sold at prices a fraction above last quotations. Dry salt has sold at \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$c, rolls 1 le, breakfast bacou 1 le, o'd dry galt 73c.

Have been in light demand, principally from the city trade, with prices firm and higher, at 121 to 13c.

MESS PORK.

Easier and quiet at 14.50 to \$15.00.

MET I BEEF.

In very moderate demand and unchanged at

LARD.

No change to note in prices. Quotations are: \$2.10 per pail; or 93c per lb for tierces.

DRESSED HOGS.

Trade in dressed hogs is now about over. No more are wanted for packing, and receipts have fallen off to next to nothing. Butchers take the few offered at \$4 to \$4.25.

DRESSED MEATS.

Meats now in the market are fresh killed, and Hind quarters of beef are quoted at 8 to 10c and full carcasses at 7 to Sc. Mutton is firm and higher at 14c. Veal 12 to 14c Prices for dealers' quotations.

OYSTERS.

Old stocks in the city have been exhausted, and on'y occasional small lots of cans are arriving by express. Those now in the market tring 65c.

MINNEAPOLIS.

The markets have been almost steadily declining all the week and the close was at the lowest point on this crop, with but slight firmness manifested in any market. The visible supply decreases too slowly to favor the long side, while constantly fe torable crop reports in this country, with none from others which make a very bad showing, give the bears increasing confidence from day to day, so that they have come to regard themselves as invincible. Foreign demand scems to be too small to count for much in price making, war rumors no longer have any marked effect, and "the country" is generally believed to be on the short side of the market. This latter circumstance, however, was used to day by conservative local traders as evidence that the danger line had been reached on the bear side, the argament being that whenever the big operators in Chicago or elsewhere find "the country" all on one side of the market, manipulation for a squeeze is at once begun.

Receipts here for the week were quite large and shipments only fair in amount. Stocks are large in the Northwest and crop reports of the most favorable tenor.

The highest and lowest wheat prices by grade on 'charge during the week ending to-day, closing prices, and the prices one year ago were:

May 13.

Wheat, Highest, Lowest, Closing 1885. 76] 761 943 No. 1 hard. 803 No. 1 north'n 761 73 73 91 .. 2 .. 72 70 70

Futures were weak and lower, June 1 hard opening at 80c and closing at 77%c; July opened at Slc and clased at 78%; August opened at \$2c and closed at 79gc. June 1 northern opened at 773c and closed at 732c. Goarse grains were quiet, corn closing at 32 to 34c, oats at 31 to 324c, harley at 45 to 60e and rye at 49 to 51c, all by sample.

MILLSTUFF-Has been in good supply and dull, bulk bran closing at \$7 to \$7.50 and shorts at \$7.50 to \$8.25 per ton.

FLOUR. - The market is weak and inactive, with the demand about the same in all grades, except it be for strong bakers', which some millers report a fair inquiry for. The most encouraging news received to day is the Boston report, showing exports last week of 20,000 receipts at that port, hat bbls more than

this is claimed to be mainly on through bills of lading and therefore not a very significant item.

Quotations for car or round lots at the mills are as follows: Patents, \$4.15 to \$4.65; straights, \$4.10 to \$4.30; first bakers', \$3.50 to \$3.75; second bakers' \$2.90 to \$3.20; hest low grades, \$2.00 to \$2.20, in bags; red dog, \$1.50 to \$1.60, in bags.

These quotations are on flour in barrels, except as stated. The rule is to discount 30c per .00 for 250 and 140 lb jute bags, 20° for 95lb cotton sacks, 15c for 19lb cutton sacks, 10c for 24jlb cotton sacks, and 20c for 49lb paper sacks.

There has been no speci. ' change in the situation on the platform from a week ago. Fifteen to 17 mills are kept in motion steadily, and their weekly output does not get far away from 100,000 bbls. Seventeen mills made flour last week, and their total product was 116,000 bbls -averaging 18,600 bbls daily-against 111,170 the preceding week, and 153,174 bbls for the corresponding period in 1885. The same number of mills are running as a week ago, though two pairs of them have changed about and increased the daily output about 1,000 bbls. The eighteenth mill will start to-morrow, adding about 800 bbls more to the daily production. The or ening of navigation at Duluth has had the effec of considerably reducing the amount of flour stored here, it having been shipped quite freely the past few days. There are now probably not to exceed 75,000 bbis in store in Minneapolis. The flour market remains inactive and weak. Many of the mills, however, have enough orders ahead to keep them running for quite a while.

It has been known for some time past that incomplete returns of wheat in store here were made by elevators and careful compiling of the figures chows a glaring discrepancy between official reports and actual figures. Complete figures snow that the total stock here, outside of mills, is fully 1,500,000 and very probably 2,000,000 bus greater than the amount officially reported and used in the weekly visible supply statements of the Chicago and New York exchanges.

The following were the receipts at and shipments from Minneapolis for the weeks ending on the dates given:

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MINNEAPOLIS.

			May 10.	May 3.
No. 1 hard, bu	s.,		1,747,902	1,724,840
No. 1 northern	, bus		1,265,504	1,276,959
No. 2 northern	, bus		528,770	531,148
No. 3,			6,803	7,712
Rejected	••		33,855	33,833
Special bins	• •	••	933,238	1,015,433
			4.510.074	4 700 00-

* To these figures should be added at least 1,560,000 bus, and probably 2,000,000 bus, to show the actual amount of wheat in store.

ST. PAUL.

In elevators May 12. May 5. April 28.

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billeth.

May 10. May 3. April 26.

In store, bus. . . 7,114,308 7,440,485 7,269,227 Afloat, bus. . 124,521 124,521 124,521

Total, bus... 7,238,829 7,565,006 7,313,748 -Northwest Miller,

The State of Trade.

Special telegrams to Bradstreet's indicate that the general trade situation is less favorable than a week ago. This is due mainly to the partial paralysis of business at Chicago, as well as to the disturbed industrial cituation at Milwaukee, Ciucinnati, St. Louis, Baltimore, and elsewhere At Chicago no business of a wholesale character worth mentioning has been done. The few mail orders received have been hung up, and merchants generally are awaiting the settlement of labour troubles. A noteworthy incident is the determination of Chicago metal. furniture works and lumber yard employers to shut down rather than accede to what they regard as unjust demands. A similar spirit is displayed at Louisville. The movement of merchandise at leading cities east and west has been checked by the industrial troubles. Brudstreets' telegraphic enquiries indicate that 325,000 men have taken part in the short-hour movement, that 175,000 have struck, and that 150,000 have received concessions without having to strike. Some 35,000 have gained their ends by striking. It is likely that the apparently ready compliance with the eight or ninehour demand may be checked by the attitude of the western employers already referred to. The outlook for an early or general clearing away of industrial disturbances is not bright. The advance in the Bank of England discount rate to 3 per cent, caused demand sterling exchange to advance to \$4.90, and gold shipments continue to be made, going now to London. Collections generally are poor, rather less satisfactory than a week ago. Sarar is lower and quiet, the demand having fallon away. Coffee is easier, with good crop prospects and smaller request. Padang is higher, with available stocks firmly held. The winter-wheat plant continues in excellent condition. Spring-wheat planting is nearly finished, and prospects for a crop are good. The breadstuffs markets are dull and lower. Louisville advises that indica tions point to a large planting of tobacco. Leading tobacco markets are quiet, with prices steady. The general movement of dry goods has been limited. Print cloths are etronger. Wool is dull, and prices are cut to suit large buyers. Pig iron is quiet, but bar is weaker. The number of failures reported to Bradstreet's this week is 172, against 172 last week, 197 in the first week in May 1885, 132 in 1884, 149 in 1883, and 96 in 1882. Canada had 17, against 27 last week and 33 last year. Tho total in the United States from Jaquary 1 to May 7 is 4,158, against 4,843 in a like portion of 1885, a * 4,516,074 4,589,925 | decline of 685 in 18 weeks of this year. The

total for a like portion of 1884 was 3,987, in 1883, 3'940, and in 1882, 2,663. — Bradstreet's.

Export of Breadstuffs.

The extent of the temporary decline in our breadstuffs export trade is shown in the government statistics for preceding periods of three and nine months respectively, as compared with the same periods last year and in 1884 5. Although there was some improvement in March, as compared with the month preceding it, the aggregate falling off is too heavy to be sneered at. Explained in part by the fact that we were paying too much and therefore asking too much for our cereals during that portion of the erop year preceding March, the position long ago taken by this journal is fully supported by the figures. The foreign buyer has learned how to buy cheapest, and so long as he acts on this knowledge he will turn to other countries for his supplies if they underbid us as they have been doing for a long time. In times of such general depression as has been prevailing throughout the importing countries, the question of value sinks into insignificance as compared with the accessity of securing cheap bread, or a cheap substitute for bread.

Even in this courtry people do not live by bread alone. It is well known that the decline in our exports of cereals and their products is not wholly responsible for the very dull condition of the milling business in this country the past year. The consumption of wheat and flour has fallen away below the normal standard all over the United States. It is true that here, as abroad, this is to be ascribed in part to the many new foods made from other cereals, but if this were all it would not solve the question. Our people have to a great extent followed the example set them abroad, in taking up with other and cheaper articles of food. It is, therefore, wise to expect that nutil there comes a general revival of business, the policy now pursued will be continued, aithough we expect to see much more favorable figures for some months to come than have been compiled daring the pest three months or more .- Northwestern Miller.

The Wheat Crop of Ontario.

We gather from reliable parties in the trade who have recently travelled through the wheat sections of Ontario that the winter wheat fields have been completely changed from a poor condition to an exceedingly favored one, owing to the magnificent spring weather which most parts of Western Canada have been favored with. A month ago the wheat plant exhibited signs of being winter killed, but nature stepped in opportunely, and between her genial smiles and tears, has transformed unpromising wheat fields to conditions which now augur well for the future of the crop. Although in Eastern Canada we have had comparatively little moisture, Western Ontario has been favored with splendid showers alternated by warm sunshine. Ontario farmers have also been blessed with an exceptionally good seeding time this apring, the best in fact ever before experienced, spring wheat, coarse grains and grass seeds, having been sown under most advantageous conditions.

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EASTERN MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

The wheat market opened with a tumble last week and continued at the bottom of the pit throughout, though there were some indications of recovery toward the close. Conservative operators say that the market is oversold, and that a reaction is bound to come. Those opposed to this idea claim that three fourths of the recent buying has been to cover shorts, and therefore the market cannot be very much oversold. A great many of the heavy operators seem to have no settled policy, and the army of small fry who are usually guided in their operations by the movements of the "big ones," are at a loss what course to pursue. Ruling influences on the market have been the came as last week. Favorable crop reports, light exno ts, targe visible supply, etc., beny bear stock in trade. The firmer feeling toward the of the week was brought about by an estimated close decrease in the visible supply for the week, of larger proportion than the previous week. The visible supply for the United States and Canada, exclusive of the Pacific coast, for the week ending May 8 was 41,896,-898 bushels, as compared with 41,832,878 hashels for the same date last year. The decrease for the week was 1,352,109 bushels.

The wheat market opened about he lower on Monday, influenced by an estimate of only a million decrease in the visible supply. Not withstanding that cables were better, prices sold down ic, July touching 791. One principal cause of weakness was on account of the death of C. F. Woerishoffer, who it is said owned about half of the each wheat in New York. There was a belief abroad that this wheat would be thrown on the market, but when it was learned that Woerishoffer had sold against his cash wheat, and that the property would be delivered on contract as they matured, the market became firmer and prices advanced le. There was heavy trading daring part of the morning session. Considerably long wheat came out and shorts covered extensively on the decline. Later a decline set in and the close was at the bottom. Wheat was weak in the afternoon in sympathey with New York, the close being 14c lower than Saturday. Corn and oats were weak in sympathy with wheat, but prices recovered toward the close. Pork opened 10c lower, and dropped another 10c on large receipts of hogs. A partial recovery of prices was recorded later. Closing prices were:

				May.	June.
Wheat	••	••		 €0.751	\$0.771
Corn			• •	 347	351
Oats				 29	283
l'ork				8.55	8.60
Lard				 5.821	5.85

The feeling in the wheat market was again weak on Tuesday, though a fair amount of transactions were recorded. June opened at 77½c, and with liberal offerings declined to 76½c. Cables and crop reports were both unfavorable to higher prices, but later reports of free charters for export advanced prices %c. The close was again weak. Corn was quiet and weak, Oat,

suffered a heavy decline, especially for near deliveries, with free selling. Provisions showed a firmer tendency and considerable trading was done, at better prices. Closing prices were:

				May.	June.
Wheat			 	o. 753.g	\$0.76 7 -7
Corn		• •	 	34)	35§ §
Oats	• •		 	281	281
Pork			 	8.65	8.70-21
Lærd	••		 	5.823	5.87

On Wednesday wheat was dull at the opening, though prices were a fraction better than yesterday. There was very little movement, however, until about noon, when a report from New York stated that Woerishoffer's wheat was being thrown on the market. This started prices downward the decline reaching to the extent of 1½c. Prices declined another ½c in the afternoon, but recovered before the close. Corn and oats were dull and easy. Provisions were also dull and lower. Closing prices were:

				May.	Jure.
Wheat			 	\$0.75	76à.4
Corn				34 §	353
Oats	٠.		 	281	283
Pork			 	9.70	9.70
Lard		••	 	5.874	5.871

The wheet market opened weak on Thursday and continued sluggish during the first half of the morning session. Trading was done on a lower basis, and prices gradually receded &c. It was stated that stocks in the Northwest were larger than had been estimated, and this together with favorable weather, light export, free selling by neavy scalpers and the failure of a large Battimore grain firm, all tended to de press values. Later a firmer feeling was developed, on reported improvements of export movement, and prices recovered to about the opening quotations. Corn was active and higher, on the receipt of cash orders from New York, and other eastern ports. Outs quiet and unchanged. Pork opened dull but recovered some activity later, with an advance ir prices. Closing prices were:

			May.	June.
Wheat	 	 	75	761
Corn		 	354	364
Oats			$28\frac{1}{2}$	281
Pork		 	5.773	5.80
Lard	 	 	$5.92\frac{1}{2}$	-5.923

On Friday wheat opened with a firm feeling, on report of favorable export movement. The market however, seemed to lack support, and soon started on the downward turn, declining 3c, July touching 774c and August 78c. At these prices bottom appeared to have been reached, and prices advanced to about the opening figures. The corn pit was the central scene of activity to-day. Large buying was indulged in by heavy operators, and prices advanced 3c. Oats were steady and quiet. There was fair trading in provisions at lower prices. Closing prices were:

-			May.	Junc.
Wheat	ե		\$0.751	761
Corn		 ••	 353	371
Oats	٠.	 	 288	283.4
Pork			8.75	8.75
Lard			$5.92\frac{1}{2}$	$5.92\frac{1}{2}$

On Salurday wheet was fairly firm, though

there was a considerable range to prices. Values went down to 4r below yesterday but closed higher and steady, influenced by favorable export reports. July closed at 78%c. Provisions were firmer and higher. Closing prices were:

Wheat	 		 Mcy. \$0.75₹	Juuc. 767
Corn	 		 _	_
Oats	 		 _	
Pork	 ٠.		 Ց.77ֈ	8.80
Lard	 •	• •	 5.95	5 761

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

There has been about the usual number of transactions in bank stocks, and changes in quotations have been slight. In miscellaneous stocks scarcely a transaction is reported. Northwest Land sold at 72½ for 30 shares. C.P.R. Land grant bonds were held at 105 with bids as quoted. Manitoba Loan was offered at 100, with 90 bid. Mortreal was held at 117. Closing bids for May 12 as compared with May 5, were as follows:

		Ma	ay 12.	Ma	y 5.
Montreal			2143		215
Outario		• •	1147		1154
Toronto			201		2011
Merchants'			124		1241
Commerce			1231		1224
Imperial			137		1371
Federal			1124		1124
Dominion	••		2101		2091
Standard			1233		124
Hamilton			135		135
Northwest Land	• •		75]		72
C.P.R. Bonds			1033		1034
do Stocks		••	_		

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

There appeared to be some anovement amongst shippers to buy for export, early in the week, but the demoralized state of outside markets had the effect of putting a damper on operations here, and the market was very quiet towards the close. Holders have maintained a firm attitude all along, and have been unwilling to make any concessions, but many are now becoming a little dubious as to the value of their property and are beginning to lose confidence. The weather throughout the province has continued favorable to the growing crops and fall wheat is well advanced for the season. Provisions have been quiet and steady.

WHEAT.

The feeling has been easier in all grades, and transections have been at lower prices. No. 2 red winter sold at 83c and sample fail at 81½c on track. No. 2 fall would bring about 82c and No. 2 spring from 83 to 84c.

PLOCE.

Has been very quiet all the week and no transactions have been reported except a few lots of low grades. Superior extra could have been obtained at \$3.65 and extra at \$3.55.

OATS.

Offerings have continued liberal and prices easier. Cars have sold at from 34 to 35c, and at the close of the week offerings at 34c were not taken.

BARLEY.

Nothing doing in this grain and none either offered or wanted. Loads on the street sold at 60c by sample.

PEAS.

Unchanged et 59 to 60c.

POTATOES.

Offerings have been abundant and prices weak. Early rose sold on track at 40c and white varities at 55c.

APPLES.

Nothing doing in car lots. Small lots have sold at from \$1.50 to \$2.00.

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Consignments have been taken steadily at 11 to 114c. Though receipts are large, prices have been firm, packers having commenced operations.

BUTTER.

Receipts of large rolls have been on the increase, and fully equal to the demand for local consumption. Prices show a decline as compared with last week. Rolls have sold at from 15 to 18c, the latter price for extra choice only. Choice tubs have brought about the same but poor qualities would only bring 12c. Old was offered at 7c without buyers.

CHEESE.

New cheese has been in fair supply and in small lots brought 10 to 10½c, with sales of 50 boxes and upward at 9½c. Old is nearly out of the market.

PORK.

Dull and steady at \$13.50 for small lots.

BACON.

Has held steady in price and the demand limited. Prices were as follows:—Long-clear in tous and cases fairly active at 7½ to 7½c; Cumbe: land inactive at 6¾ to 7c, and sweet pickled at 7¾ to 8c. Short rolls in good demand at 8½ to 9c; bellies at 10 to 11c, and boncless at 11c, with some old offered at 7½ to 8c Large lots could have been obtained at a shade under quotations.

HAMS.

Hams have been scarce and in good demand. Smoked sold in lots of 50 to 100 at 102 to 11c. Smaller lots brought je more.

LARD.

Large pails have sole at 84c and small pails at 9 to 94, according to quantity.

HOGS.

Have been readily taken at \$6.50 to \$7 for all offered.

General Notes.

The Dominion Government has promised to bring in a bill to prohibit the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine.

There is now in store in Montreal 1,367,364 bushels of grain, against 431,496, bushels a year ago, showing the large increase of 936,370 bushels.

The annual statement of the Bank of Montreal shows a surplus of over half a million dollars to be caried over, after paying a dividend of ten per cent and a bonus of one per cent.

Six dollars is about all that is offered for fair six to the 1,000 logs at Minneapolis. Where the profit comes in to the logger who cuts \$3 stumpage is hard to find out, yet it must be so or they would quit doing it.

The representatives of the starch manufacturers of the West and Buffalo met in Chicago Thursday, and organized a pool to govern production in certain lines of goods. A slight advance on ruling prices was ordered.

The report of the mirister of railways for last year shows 10,150 miles of railway in operation. Money invested amounts to \$625,754,500; carnings for year, \$32,227,460; work-

ing expences, \$24,015,351; net earnings, \$8,-212,118; passenger carried, 9,692,599; people killed 157; injured 684.

The Chicago Journal of Commerce is authority for the following statement: This country is actually exporting more oleomergarine than butter. In 3 years the records show 100,000,000 of oleo to 54,000,000 pounds of butter.

Advices from Montreal state that during the past few days about 300 boxes of new cheese have been received, sales of which have been made to the local trade at 104c to 102 per 1b, but these prices are no criterion whatever for export trade, as shippers would not pay over 9c and perhaps not even as much.

An offer of 76c. on the dollar has been made by James Brown & Son, of Montreal. The firm has carried on a wholesale dry goods basiness since '80, and their liabilities do not exceed \$50,000, all of which is to Montreal firms. They will require the compromise to be spread over twelve months, the two last payments to be secured.

The Ontario Metual Life Assurance Co. did new business for the year to the extent of \$1,867,950. The premiums for the year were \$237,665,32 and the surplus on the reduced standard \$38,892.69. The lapses seem to have been considerable during the year, which would indicate that money has been scarce, and that people have found it difficult to pay premiums. Other companies have had a similar experience.

The total value of goods entered for consumption at the Port Arthur Custom House for the month of April, 1886, was \$25,290. The revenue collected by Mr. Nicholson for April amounts to the handsome sum of \$6.896.16, which is extraordinarily large for a winter month. The increase is principally due to the large importations of machinery for the new silver mills at the Rabbit Mountain and Beaver Mountain mines.

A meeting of the creditors of the Lenham Elevator Co. was held at Duluth, April 28. W. C. White, attorney for the concern, made a statement of its affairs. From this it appears that the liabilities of the company amount to \$350,000 in round numbers, and the assets to \$270,000. The company owes farmers in Dakota for 20,000 or 30,000 bushels of wheat. The elevators in Dakota have passed into the hands of the Van Desen Co.

Selections.

It is now recommended to boi' shingles intended for a roof in a solution of lime and salt. It is claimed that it adds a good many years to the usefulness of the shingle—by preventing them from decaying.

It would seem that the next field for the dust collector to fill is to be found in coal mines, as recent investigations in Germany indicate that many of the explosins heretofore attributed to fire-damp were really due to ignition of clouds of fine coal dust in the zir. The matter is one worthy of thorough investigation.

Green wood cannot be properly seasoned or dried in five days, any more than green cheese can be ripened in that time, yet each of the nine lumber-drying kilus at the Pullman Car Works, has a capacity to turn out 300,000 feet, tupposed to be fit for car building, in the above time. It is pretty generally acknowledged that kiln dried timber must be injured in fiber, and so roasted on the outside as to be brittle and unfit for many purposes. At least this is what a Chicago carriage journal thinks.

The Budget says:—Suicide may be said to be no longer a defence in the matter of payment of death clams. The Mutual Life Insurance Company some time ago abandoned the suicide clause in its policies, relying upon a knowledge of the applicant, his habits, financial affairs, etc., fn protection. This is a wise course, and we have no doubt that the experience of the old companies will go to prove that the claims from suicide, which could have been successfully resisted, have been very few. Why then keep the obnoxious clause in the policies. The contracts of many of the companies can be improved very much in the direction of liberality.

Duluth Flour Receipts.

A Duluth railroad man is thus quoted: Six years ago, the St. Paul & Duluth road handled 225,000 bbls of flour, all from Minnerpolis, and it was onsidered a big dusiness. When it got up to 500,000 bbls a season we considered the amount something wonderful. Last year it was neatly 1,200,000 bbls and if the company had had the folling stock it would have been 1,500,-000 bbls. Daluth now gets a large quantity of flour ontside of that which comes from Minneapolis, and in a few years the traffic would be immense, even if Minneapolis did not send us a barrel. The road will be in better shape this season than ever before to handle its flour busiacss. The company will have an addition of 500 lox cars to its rolling stock over last year, and the new flour houses will make the same number of cars do twice the amount of hauling. Cars will suffer no such delay this year as they did last. A train of box cars arriving in the morning will be unloaded during the forencon and started back in the afternoon .- Northwestern Miller.

Wildcat Competition.

We see it announced in the Review that "the Fidelity and Accident Company of the United States in order to meet the blatant promises of and groundless pretcusions of the assessment accident companies, has decided to create a new hazard "-that's what they call it-in addition. to present "preferred," to be designated as class "A," etc., the object, apparently, being to show that although the pretersions of the aforesaid assessment companies are groundless, the company will offer insurance about as cheaply as the assessment companies. In other words, "the assessment companies are deceiving the public, by professing to give insurance at rates which are ridiculously low, but we can give insurance just as cheaply as they promise to give it, notwithstanding that their pretentions are groundless." There is altogether too much of this kind of thing. A company which does not issue tentine policies will publish cartloads of circulars to prove that it is impossible to realize the estimates made in . connection with tontines, but strangely enough

in almost every case they will unively show you that they can do just as well for their policy holders as the tentine company promises.

We have in our minds the case of an insur ance manager who went into the witness box in a law suit for the express purpose of proving as an expert that the estimates under a tontine life policy were umealizable, and before leaving the stand he stated that the company he re presented did even greater things for their policy-holders than that promised in the very estimates which he was there to condemn. It is time this sort of thing was stopped. It is unworthy of any respectable company to stoon to compete with illegitimate concerns. either in plans or premiums, and any company attempting it is, in our opinion, simply sowing the wind by tampering with a dangerous thing which will result in their reaping the whirlwind of public disapproval and the withdrawal from them of the confidence of business people. - The Budget.

The Steel Rail Trade.

In an article on the steel rais combination the Iron Age says: It is accepted generally as an incontrovertible fact, that our iron works can have full employment only when the railroads are buying normal quantities for renewel and are extending their lines into new territory at the same time. They are doing this now, there being no better gauge to it than their purchase of rails. According to the Board of Control, the orders booked for 1886 delivery up to the 1st of April aggregated \$69,000 tons, and since then a number of additional orders have been placed, carrying the total to at least 900,000 tons. According to these returns, also, a number of the leading mills have filled their allotment of the 1,110,000 distributed, and before long the question may again come up whether or not there is to be a further increase.

The For Trade.

John Martin & Co., fur dealers, Montreal, issued the following circular: The uncertainty of the European markets seems to have been interpreted by speculative minds as only a lull before greater activity, but that there are good grounds for this coaclusion is very questionable. Twelve months ago we reported the Russian trade as having been disastrous to the Leipzig Merchants; this season, however, the position is very different, not only has the past years been a successful one to Russian traders, but the prospects are apparently bright enough there to warrant the purchase of enormous quantities of goods for that market, at advances of 50 to 75 per cent over last year's prices. Admitting this tendency of things in the cast, however, will not account for the speculative spirit of buyers for the English or American markets, and a matter of strong proof against any sub stantial reason for the universal advance of prices is the fact that many of the most reliable London Houses considered it wise to refrain from laying in stocks at the current high figures. Trade in England and France last year was moderately good; the healthier turn of fashion has doubtless had much to do with this, and the most casual observer could not but notice

the improvement of styles in turs. No longer does one see the endless variety of common dyed stans, but rich, natural colors are alone exhibited by the best furriers, and many beautiful articles are seen in Mink, Sable, Plucked O' and Beaver, Skunk, Bear, Oppossum, Chinchilla, etc. The most active demand last year was for Brown and Grizzly Bear for trim mings; Oppossums were also very largely used; Seal Dolmanettes, for spring and fall wear, had such a large sale that the medium size pups, used chiefly in making these garments, advanced fully 30 per cent; Round Boas, in Raccoon, Oppossum, Mink, Skunk, etc. are the newest things in the London market, and are selling well.

As to what will be feshionable in Canada for the app. oaching season, we do not hesitate to prophecy a continued sale for Beaver and Otter; Skunks will probably be even better called for than during the last few seasons. Mink will enter again into favor, and so sure are the trade of its appreciation that prices have already greatly advanced. Seals remain at about lost year's prices (excepting in medium size pups), and as good value can be offered, the usual trade may be expected. In staple lines, (i.e., Persian Lambs, Bokharon, Astrican, etc.,) there will not 'ikely be much change, prices are but little altered.

Causes of The Low Prices of Wheat In Great Britain.

The fall in silver has caused India wheat to be freely offered in British and Continental markets at extremely low rates. Under such circumstances British holders might have hoped and demanded higher prices but for the encrmous American accumulation, and the prospect that a collapse of speculation here might flood the markets with supplies. In view of that possibility British holders have not dared to keep their grain for better prices, and have been compelled to compete with offerings from India in order to sell at all. The result is an average of only 29s. Sid. for the past eight weeks, against 33s. 4ad. for the first eight weeks of 1885, and 37s. 111d. per quarter for the first eight weeks of 1884. Thus it is elident that the low price of silver, though not the only cause, has been an important cause of the paenomenal decline in the price of wheat, and that speculation here has also operated powerfully in the same direction, notwithstanding prices are much higher here than at Liverpool. At 29s. 4d. for eight bushels, with exchange at \$4.59, British wheat is selling at about 893 cents a bushel, which is less than is asked for No. 2 red winter at New York .- N. Y. Tribunc.

Ethics of Speculation.

Specifing of successes and failures in speculation, an old commission merchant says in Daily Business. "Luck has something to do with giving successful men in any line of business a start, but the really great speculators have a genius for trade the same as men have special talent in art, oratory, law, literature and state manship. The geniuses loom head and shoulders above their fellow men. They go to the front

and win riches or fame by the exercise of natural gifts. There are a dozen men over there in the wheat pit who finave a genius for 'scalping.' They are almost uniformly successful. Other men here have a genius for speculation. They may be uncultured and seemingly very commonplace, but they apply correct principles to their business, and they have the daring of the natural gambler, reinforced by the grasp and conservatism of the merchant and the shrift of the financier. Great speculators are born with the stamp of genius upon them. It can not be acquired, though it may be quickened and cultivated to an unlimited extent. This may have a fatalistic ring, but I can never bring myself to believe that a person not endowed with natural gifts of a high order can rise to phenomcual heights of success, us matter what advan-tages he may have or how hard he may work."

The Co-operative System.

The final outcome of the labor troubles will undoubtedly be the adoption of the co-operative system. The Pillsbury Milling Co. of this place have for years partially adhered to this place have for years partially adhered to this plan, and last year divided among their employes about \$30,000, after having paid them their weekly wages. Other firms throughout the country are giving employes an interest in the profits of their business. One of the latest instances we have noticed is that of a firm of sheet wetal workers in Chizago. An agreement was entered into by the house and all employes who have worked with the firm for six months whereby a sum not less than \$10,000 is to be divided in proportion to the wages commanded, among the workmen at the end of the year. The plan has been in vogue for some time past, but included only a certain grade of employes. Now it is extended to embrace all, and is based on the percentage of business done. Should the showing for the year justify the divison of more tran \$10,000, the men will receive their ratio. In this way all persons connected with the firm become interested in the amount of trade secured and are willing to work as many hours a day as health and demands of customers permit.— Minneapolis Commercial Bulletin.

United States Crop Report.

The May report of the Department of Agriculture indicates an improvement in wheat of 2 points, with a general average condition at 95. There is no marked change anywhere, but a slight advence is noted in the Ohio valley, Missouri, Texas, Tennessee, The Carolinas, Virginis and Maryland. The May average last year was 70. The season has been favorable, and the crop is more advanced than usual. The averages in the principal states are: New York, 96; Pennsylvania, 95; Ohio, 97; Michigan, 91; Indiana, 98; Illinois, 92; Missouri, 101; and Kansas, 67. The condition of rye averages 96, and of barley 97. Cotton planting has been delayed by cold rains on the coast and by overflows on the Gulfcoast. The proportion to be planted in May averages 20 per cent. In average years the proportion does not exceed 14 or 15 per cent.

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A Good Class.

We have, through the kindness of Mr. Ken, of the freight department of the C P. R., been furnished with an accurate return of the number and destination of the cars of stock and immigrants' effects arriving in the country and have repeatedly visited the stock yards to take note of the quality of this immigration, and have a little talk with the men we find there. They are the very men we want to see, many of them have been here before, they have secured homesteads in the years just past, and went down last fall to bring up their families and effects, and the contents of one of these cars are both curious and valuable, horses, cattle, pigs, poultry, a collie, which his owner proudly assures you is a good "heeler," and other household pets besides. Then there is a barrel of apples from the old home orchard, bags of choice grain to be tried on the new farm, boxes of grocery goods, and as a rule the tools and implements from the old farm, which their experience here has shown to be available for use on the new. There is no ruch for this or that favorite section, you find people bound everywhere, from Morris to the Rocky Moun-For Southern Manitoba there came along the North Shore Route within the month from March 15th to April 16th, 22 cars of live stock and 30 cars of immigrants' effects. Between Winnipeg and Brandon there were in the same time 36 cars of stock and 40 of immigrants' effects, between Alexander and Regina 23 cars of stock and 40 of effects, and between Grand Coulee and Canmore 39 cars of stock and 18 of effects. By way of St. Paul, M. & M. there came within the month 19 cars in all, of which 13 cars were stock for points between Winnipeg and Brandon. -Nor' West Farmer.



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