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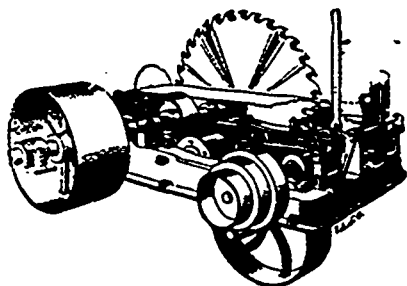
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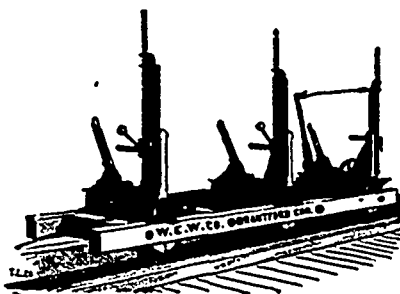
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BRITISH COLUMBIA MINING LAWS.

The bill passed by the British Columbia legislature to prohibit aliens from owning placer mining claims in that province, is receiving a great deal of attention from the press all over the country. Some papers take the view that the bill is aimed at United States citizens. This is, of course, wrong. The bill has no doubt been introduced for the benefit of the province, and it does not discriminate against any particular class of foreigners. All are treated alike. The people of British Columbia, it may be presumed, know their own business best, and they seem almost unanimously in favor of this measure, as it was supported by both government and opposition members of the legislature. It is undoubtedly their belief that the measure is in the interest of their province. This is the sole object in adopting the measure. There is certainly no sentiment of hostility to the United States or any other country in the matter. Nor can the people of the United States complain that the action of the British Columbia legislature is unreasonable or unjust, seeing that the republic has always excluded foreigners from exercising ownership of mineral properties in their country. Many Canadian papers look upon the United States tariff as a measure dictated by hos-

tility to this country. This is all very absurd. The United States tariff policy is dictated by what the people of that country believe to be in their own interest, and that Canadian trade is made to suffer thereby is not a matter for consideration in framing that policy. It is just as unreasonable, as many Canadian journals take it, to suppose that the British Columbia mining measure was directed against the United States.

Neither can we consider it a hardship, against which we should retaliate, that Canadians have been excluded from operating mines in the United States. If the people of the United States consider it is a wise policy to exclude foreigners in this way, it is their own business, and we have no right to complain, any more than they will have a right to complain in the matter of the present action of the British Columbia legislature. Besides this, Canadians have the largest and richest undeveloped mineral country in the world. We have all we can attend to at home. There is ample scope within our own boundaries for the energies of those who seek investments of this nature. In fact it may be considered that the exclusion of Canadians from United States mines has been a benefit to Canada, as it has kept our people at home and compelled them to devote their energies toward developing their own country.

But while the people of British Columbia may be unanimously in favor of the new measure, it does not follow that they have adopted a wise policy. Looking at it from this distance there seem to be good reason for doubting the wisdom of this new policy. Canada, as we have already mentioned, has vast undeveloped mineral regions, a considerable portion of which is in the province of British Columbia. It would appear to be to our benefit to have foreigners come in to assist in the development of this wealth. The country is made richer and trade and industry are increased by the development of our mineral regions. Our own people get the benefit of the expansion that follows, though much of the development may be done by foreigners.

Dry Goods Trade.

A Montreal agent writes: We beg to advise that owing to the rapid advance in the price of Egyptian cotton and the difficulty of procuring American cotton suitable for the purpose of manufacturing fine goods there is a strong probability of all classes of fine cotton stuff advancing in price.

Spinners of Oldham and vicinity had last year the best year's trade since 1890. All the companies excepting two have declared satisfactory profits. Many adverse balances have been wiped out, and several private firms have been put on their legs. Things are so promising that several new

mills are being erected in Rochdale, Oldham and Stockport.

It looks as if the long depression in the wool markets had about reached the low point. Prices in the United States are unchanged since December 1, and are now about 10 per cent lower than a year ago. There has seldom been a more discouraging year in the Canadian fleeces wool trade than that of 1898, says an eastern exchange, and holders will rejoice to learn that the long-enduring depression of the market shows signs of passing away.

The market for cotton goods in the United States continues firm, and prices are being steadily worked higher. A further advance in the prices of bleached cottons was made last week, while gray cottons are very strong. Print cloths are well reduced in stock, and selling agents have refused bids of 23-8 cents for 64 squares. Prices of printed fabrics are quietly being advanced, the finished fabric being below the basis of cost of the gray goods. Dress woollens are quiet, although a better jobbing call is being noticed. In men's-wear woollens trade is quiet. Where fall goods have been opened prices are 5 to 10 per cent lower than last year.

A Toronto report says: Important lines of clay worsteds in suitings and of beavers and kerseys in overcoatings for next fall have been recently opened up. On all these the prices named are lower than a year ago, 5c per yard lower in the clays than the prices made last September, but 13c to 19c lower than the prices ruling in June last year, beavers and kerseys showing declines of 10c to 12-1/2c per yard. There have also been opened some lines of fancies and of serges, and in each instance the decline from last year is on near a parity with the foregoing. The market prices of most staples have yet to be determined and agents profess to believe that the firmness of values will surprise merchants.

Food Adulteration.

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—The annual report on the adulteration of food, issued by the inland revenue department, has been distributed. During the year 879 samples were analyzed. Of these 702 were found to be genuine, 87 adulterated, 61 doubtful, 6 sold as a compound, 19 not classed, and five sold illegally. Out of 76 samples of malt liquor only one was adulterated, all the others were genuine. Of 179 samples of milk, 133 were genuine, 22 adulterated and 24 doubtful. In 121 samples of aerated waters, four were adulterated, one doubtful and the remainder genuine. There were 66 samples of condensed milk, 54 being genuine, 3 adulterated, and 9 doubtful. Of the five samples of proprietary medicines, four were adulterated, and one doubtful; there were none of them genuine. About half only of the coffee samples examined were genuine; there were 34 genuine, 17 adulterated, 1 doubtful, 6 sold as compound and 4 not classed out of 62 samples in all. In butter 57 were genuine, 6 adulterated and 4 doubtful. Of the 106 samples of flour examined all were genuine.

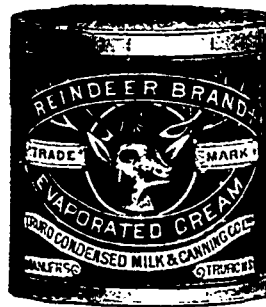
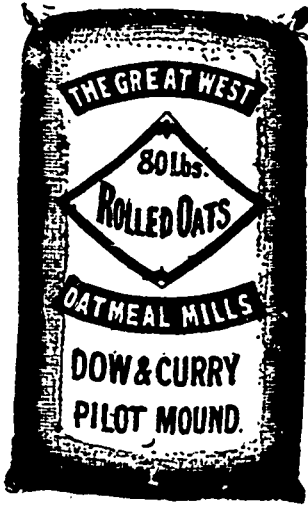
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The Erie Canal.

As a considerable portion of Manitoba's wheat crop reaches the seaboard by way of the Erie canal, it will be interesting to many western people to learn something about this great highway of commerce. Greater Buffalo, a monthly publication published in the city whose name has been incorporated in its title, recently issued a special number devoted mainly to the Erie canal. The information given herewith is taken from this publication, as well as the accompanying illustrations.

The Erie canal extends from Buffalo, on Lake Erie, to the Hudson river, thus forming a waterway to the seaboard at New York. The canal is one of the old institutions of the great Empire state, dating back to the early period of the present century.

rates to compete with the railways. The inability of the canal to compete with the railways is alleged to be because it is antiquated. The railroads have been improving their tracks and equipments and reducing the cost of handling traffic. Wheat freight rates on the canal from Buffalo to New York have declined from 4.88 cents per bushel in 1882 to 3.30 cents in 1897. With the proposed improvements to the canal it is claimed that wheat could be carried at a profit at 2 cents per bushel. The railways have reduced their rates during the same period from 7.5 to 4.5 cents per bushel, or about double the reduction in canal rates. The railways, on account of quicker service, can always get a slightly higher rate than the canal.

In 1896 it was decided to improve

transportation.

The construction of the old Erie Canal was begun in 1817, and it was completed in October, 1836. The actual cost was \$7,123,000, or about two and a quarter millions in excess of the estimated cost. The length was 363 miles. It had 83 locks. The first enlargement was begun in 1836 and completed in 1862, at a cost of \$14,465,000, or \$11,000,000 in excess of estimates. The enlarged canal has 72 locks, and is 350 1-2 miles long, the original length having been shortened by new cuts. The second enlargement now going on, is expected to cost about \$23,000,000, the estimated cost of \$9,000,000 having already been exceeded.

Though the Erie canal has of late been somewhat under a cloud, apparently owing largely to mismanage-



IMPROVED PORTION OF THE ERIE CANAL AT BUFFALO

Up to 1870 the canal had little to bother it in the way of railway competition, but since that date there has been a fight between the canal and the railways for supremacy. In 1882 canal tolls were abolished and business picked up again, but of late years the canal appears to have had a hard struggle against the railways. Since 1894 the lake trade has steadily increased while the canal business has noticeably fallen off. This apparently peculiar state of affairs is due to the new control of the lake business by the railroads which, within the last few years, have come to be the principal and, in many cases the only receivers and shippers at Buffalo. With the roads controlling lake business and offering low through rates, it is said there must be a reduction in canal

the canal to the extent of \$9,000,000. This provided for the deepening of the canal to a depth of nine feet, or eight feet over sills. It has been found as the work proceeded, that more money will be required. The nine millions have been exhausted and it is now estimated that \$15,000,000 more will be required to complete the work. Against this, however, it is said that the revenue from canal tolls, before it was made free, have paid for all expenditure on the canal to date and there yet remains a surplus of \$20,000,000 to the good. From this it would appear that the canal has been a very profitable enterprise in its day. With the canal modernized to meet the requirements of the present day it will no doubt again prove a great boon to shippers and an unrivalled means of cheap

ment, it has been a great source of wealth to New York state. Many important industries have been established at points along its course and towns have grown up which would not now be in existence if there never had been a canal.

"Head of the Lakes" is the name of a new trade paper coming from Duluth Minnesota, volume and number one of which has been received.

Bradstreet's says: "Prices of leading staples in December reflected exceptional activity in many lines of trade and industry in a further uplifting of the general level of values, the close of the year finding Bradstreet's prices index numbers not only at the highest point reached in 1898, but at a higher level than at any previous date since October, 1893."

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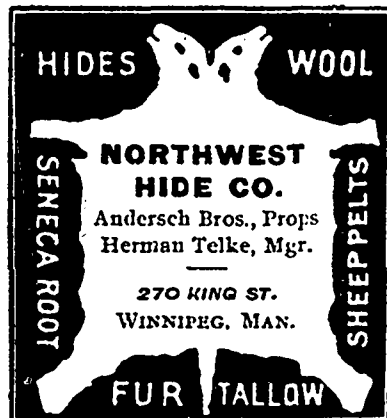
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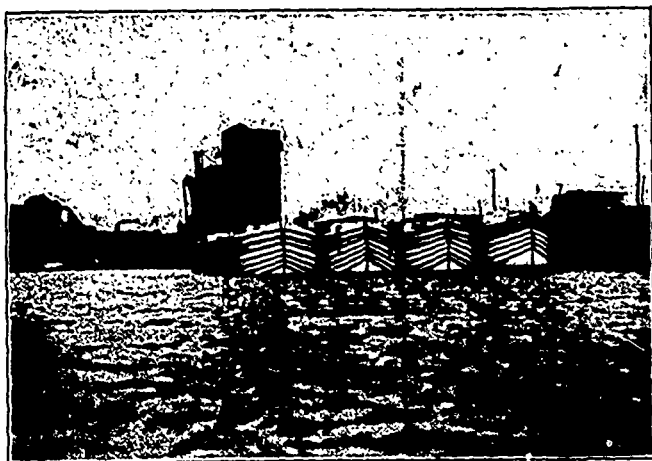
INSURANCE

The total loss made good by fire insurance companies in Vancouver, British Columbia, during 1898 was \$110,277; the total fire loss was \$183,000.

each interest separately, or whether a closer alliance will take place.

The fire insurance companies interested have taken over for sale the stock of McIntyre, Sons & Co., wholesale dry goods, Montreal, paying therefor \$175,000. The stock, the principal damage to which was by smoke and water, consists of high class linens, dress goods, silks, kid gloves and small wares. This is believed to be the largest transaction

ledge, W. L. Morton, H. Sellers and John McKellar. The retiring president, in his annual address, said the value of buildings erected during 1898 was \$67,500. The number of vessels entered and cleared from the harbor during the year was 436. Freight received on our docks was 82,434 tons. The coal landed was 182,724 tons, steel rails, 59,962 tons; freight, shipped from the port: Wheat, 10,477,050 bushels; 52,959 tons flour.



ENTRANCE TO THE ERIE CANAL FROM LAKE ERIE AT BUFFALO

The Manitoba board of fire underwriters offers a reward of \$150 for the apprehension of a supposed incendiary in the case of a recent Selkirk fire.

The movement to amalgamate the Temperance and General Life Assurance company with the Manufacturers Life insurance company is declared off.

J. W. Stewart, of the Imperial Life Insurance Co., has been appointed

of the kind ever made in Canada.

A new departure has been made by the Mutual Life. After Jan. 1, the company will issue a policy with guaranteed cash surrender values, a loan feature, extended insurance, and automatic paid-ups after three years. The loans granted will be at the rate of 5 per cent. and in every policy thirty days' grace will be provided for.



LOCKS ON THE ERIE CANAL AT LOCKPORT

general manager of the company for British Columbia, with headquarters at Vancouver.

The Insurance Chronicle says: It is stated that Messrs. Cox and Gooderham have arrived at an understanding concerning their various insurance interests. Time will tell whether the four companies in which they are largely interested will continue operations on well defined lines, conserving

Fort William Board of Trade.

The annual meeting of the board of trade of Fort William was held on January 11. The officers elected for 1899 were: President, W. F. Hogarth, re-elected; vice-president, Jno. King; secretary-treasurer, Edward R. Wayland, council, Joseph G. King, A. Snelgrove, R. Reading, D. A. Morton, J. T. Horne, G. A. Graham, R. R. Reeveley, J. J. Wells, E. S. Rut-

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No 1 hard, in store Fort William, 80c.

Flour—Local price per sack unchanged at: Patent, \$2.40; bakers, \$2.20.

Bran—\$9. per ton.

Shorts—\$11 per ton.

Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, easier at 35 to 36c.

Barley—36c for food; malting, 38 to 40c.

Flax seed—Prices to farmers, country points, 60c per bushel.

Butter—Dairy, jobbers' prices, 16 to 17c for fresh; creamery, jobbers' price, 21 to 23 1-2c.

Cheese—Jobbers selling at 10 1-2 to 11c.

Eggs—Dealers selling at 17c for fresh and 16c for limed.

Beef—City dressed, 5 1-2 to 6c; country, 4 to 5c.

Mutton—5 to 6c.

Hogs—Dressed, 6 to 6 1-4c.

Lams—5 to 7c.

Cattle—Butchers' nominal at 23-4 to 3c.

Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.60 to \$4.70 per 100 lbs. for best bacon.

Sheep—Nominal, 2 1-2 to 3c off carcass.

Hides—Frozen hides, 8 1-2c.

Hay—Balod, on track, \$6.00.

Potatoes—35 to 40c per bushel.

Poultry—Chickens, 7 1-2 to 8 1-2c per lb.; turkeys, native, 10c; Ontario, 13c; geese, 9 to 10c; ducks, 8c.

A new thing. The market is a handy package for carrying eggs. The package holds 1 dozen eggs. It is particularly intended for the use of farmers, as a means of preventing breakages in bringing their eggs to market.

A Quebec clergyman in opposing the establishing of a skating rink in his parish, declared that the skating rink is the home of the devil. This is not in keeping with orthodox ideas, which assigns a considerably more sultry place as the abode of his satanic majesty.

It is said that sulphur is a specific against gripe. Where the disease has been epidemic, it has been noticed that employees in match factories or other places where sulphur is largely used, have been exempt. It is claimed that powdered sulphur worn in the shoes will have the desired effect of warding off this and some other maladies. No doubt the sulphur used in this way would be absorbed into the system, particularly as most people have a tendency to moisture about the feet.

One of the results of the capture of the Philippines by the United States is the ordering of copies of The Commercial to be sent to Manila. We do not know what military men want with The Commercial, but nevertheless this journal is sent to a number of subscribers in the British and United States armies, some going to members of British regiments in India and elsewhere. One of our United States subscribers has been ordered to Manila, and he has requested the paper to be sent to his address there.

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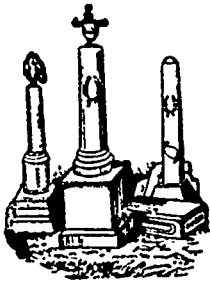
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WINNIPEG CLEARING HOUSE.

The clearing house returns this week compared with the corresponding week in previous years, show as follows:

Week ended Jan. 19, 1899.....	\$1,663,319
Corresponding week, 1898.....	1,414,036
1897.....	1,057,522

Following shows the bank clearings at Winnipeg by months, for three years:

	1898.	1897.	1896.
Jan.	6,847,168	5,009,819	4,977,200
Feb.	5,517,000	3,851,000	4,032,000
March	5,968,000	4,289,000	4,288,000
April	6,240,000	4,182,000	4,032,000
May	8,683,864	5,014,788	4,240,201
June	7,398,000	5,531,000	4,094,000
July	6,316,288	5,616,803	4,961,277
Aug.	6,180,885	6,298,574	4,846,959
Sept.	6,414,551	8,035,201	4,630,706
Oct.	9,347,602	12,291,879	7,585,472
Nov.	11,553,669	13,550,761	8,895,175
Dec.	10,708,731	9,784,498	7,736,945
Year	90,672,798	83,485,121	64,143,935

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA.

The annual statement of the Bank of Nova Scotia is reproduced in another column this week. Business people throughout the west will be particularly interested in learning something about this bank at the present time, as the bank has recently shown a disposition to extend its business in the West, the first western branch of the bank having been opened in Winnipeg during the early days of the present month. This is probably only a beginning, and no doubt other branches will be opened in Western Canada in due course of time. Though heretofore not very well known in the West, the Bank of Nova Scotia is one of our oldest financial institutions, the recent annual meeting having been the sixty-seventh event of this nature. The bank has a large number of branches in the three Maritime provinces. It also has branches in Ontario, Quebec, Newfoundland, Jamaica, and the United States so that its business is spread over a wide territory.

The financial statement as published speaks for itself, and shows the strong position of this bank. The reserve fund, already a very large one, has been further increased by the sum of \$125,000, and now exceeds the paid up capital of the bank by \$225,000. A liberal dividend has also been paid from profits of the past year, leaving still a respectable sum to be carried forward to profit and loss.

FINANCIAL NOTES.

The city of Rossland, B. C., will probably borrow \$150,000 during the current year.

The Sun Building & Loan Society, of Toronto, has established a local board at Dauphin, Man.

R. A. Pease & Thornton have opened a private bank at Wapella, Assa., with S. Beal as manager.

For the week ending Jan. 17th, the returns of the Victoria clearing house were: Clearings, \$800,509.43; balances, \$208,225.17.

The new Bank of Commerce building which will be erected in Winnipeg this year, is to be a very hand-

some structure. The Clearing House association will occupy quarters in the building.

The offer of R. Wilson Smith, of 97 1-2 and accrued interest to date of delivery for \$650,000, Winnipeg waterworks bonds, has been accepted. The bonds to be delivered and money to be paid in Montreal within three months.

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

(INCORPORATED 1832)—

Capital	\$1,500,000
Reserve Fund	1,725,000

GENERAL STATEMENT

December 31st, 1898

LIABILITIES.	
Deposits at call	\$ 3,897,992.38
Deposits subject to notice	8,120,592.54
Interest accrued on deposits	171,805.39
	<u>\$8,292,397.93</u>

Due to other banks in Canada	\$ 108,103.38
Due to other banks in foreign countries	103,090.60
	<u>\$211,233.98</u>

Notes in circulation	\$1,429,964.07
Drafts drawn between branches, outstanding.....	180,867.21
	<u>\$1,610,331.28</u>

Capital paid up	\$1,500,000.00
Reserve fund	1,725,000.00
Profit and loss	30,542.36
Dividend No. 130, payable 1st February 1899	60,000.00
	<u>\$3,315,542.36</u>
	<u>\$16,827,517.93</u>

ASSETS.	
Specie	\$ 428,700.48
Dominion notes—legal tenders	1,211,727.25

Deposits with Dom. Gov't for security of note circulation	\$ 71,667.80
Due from other banks in Canada	994.92
Notes of and cheques on other banks	626,222.16
Due from branches of the bank or from other banks in foreign countries	940,428.76
Due from other banks in the United Kingdom	628,742.77
	<u>\$2,268,956.41</u>

Investments, (Provincial, municipal and other bonds)	1,899,416.79
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Loans to provincial governments	85,787.06
Loans to municipalities...	38,824.46
Call loans, secured by bonds, debentures and stocks	1,111,863.11
Current loans, secured by bonds, debentures and stocks	343,827.72
Cash credit accounts and secured overdrafts	131,002.41
Authorized overdrafts, not specially secured	58,061.61

Notes and bills discounted and current	\$ 9,281,520.86
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Less rebate on un-matured notes	76,570.65
	<u>\$9,201,950.21</u>
Notes and bills overdue...	4,780.28
Real estate and mortgages on real estate sold	5,943.79
Bank premises, safes and office furniture	30,976.85
	<u>\$11,019,817.00</u>
	<u>\$16,827,517.93</u>

PROFIT AND LOSS.

1897. Dec. 31. By balance ...	\$ 26,634.20
1898. Dec. 31. By net profits current year, after providing for doubtful debts and losses	248,908.16
	<u>\$275,542.36</u>

1898. June 30. To dividend No. 129, payable 1st Aug., 1898	60,000.00
Dec. 31. To Dividend No. 130, payable 1st Feb., 1899	60,000.00
To transferred to reserve fund	125,000.00
To balance carried forward	30,542.36
	<u>\$275,542.36</u>

RESERVE FUND.

1897. Dec. 31. By balance...	\$1,600,000.00
1898. Dec. 31. By transferred from profit and loss	125,000.00
	<u>\$1,725,000.00</u>

1898. Dec. 31. To balance carried forward	\$1,725,000.00
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Literary Notes.

We have received two or three copies of a new publication from British Columbia called the British Columbia Weekly Mercantile, Financial, Industrial and Shipping News. The journal gives neither place of publication or name of publisher, but otherwise appears to be quite a creditable production.

The event of the literary year will be, undoubtedly, the great novel upon which County Tolstoy has been laboring in order that he may devote the proceeds to the transportation to Canada of three thousand Russian Quakers. It is generally believed by his friends that this work will probably mark the conclusion of Count Tolstoy's literary career. Not merely on this account, but because of the subject treated, it will attract the widest attention the world over. It is a profound study of the life of a man and woman, and treats of the three phases of love—that of the youth, that of the young man, and that of the man in mature age. The Cosmopolitan Magazine announces that it has secured the sole right of publication.

There has been an advance in the United States of \$2 per ton in the price of barb wire.

The Lang Tanning Company, Limited, of Berlin, Ontario, manufacturers of harness leather of all kinds, have favored The Commercial with a copy of a fine calendar, which they are issuing. The factories of the company are shown in a handsome lithograph.

A novelty in the calendar line comes from the Thos. Davidson Manufacturing Co., of Montreal. The hanger is composed entirely of metal, handsomely lithographed. The calendar for each month is printed on a separate metal plate, which can readily be removed, leaving the next month exposed to view.

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Grain and Milling News.

Work is now in progress on the elevator at Hullfax, N. S.

It is announced that the Grand Trunk road will build an elevator at Collingwood if the government will deepen the harbor to 20 feet.

Henry P. Watson, a grain merchant, of Minneapolis, has applied for a seat in the Winnipeg Grain and Produce exchange. The membership of the exchange is extending.

A stock company is being formed to erect a small gristing flour mill at Morinville, Edmonton district, Alberta. In the same district a small local gristing mill is being established at Edna.

Several wheat flour mills have been established in Japan during the past few years, but the number is still very few. The importation of flour is increasing very fast. Foreign wheats are being introduced into Japan for seed purposes.

Two hundred and seventeen cars of wheat were rechecked by the Winnipeg grain inspector last week. The grades were as follows: One hard 58 cars, two hard 9, three hard 2, one northern 42, two northern, 4, three northern 1, one spring 1, rejected 9, no grade 90.

The tone flour mill has not yet gone completely out of existence. We learn of the establishing of a mill with "two run of stone" in the Edmonton district, Northern Alberta, at a point some distance from railway communication. This sounds like old times.

A writer in a Winnipeg paper the other day spoke about Manitoba wheat being used at Duluth, Buffalo and other points for grading up inferior United States wheat. As Canadian wheat in transit through the United States is shipped in bond, it cannot be tampered with in this way until at least it leaves bonded storage at New York.

With a view to improving the quality of oats grown in Manitoba, the Ogilvie Milling Co., Winnipeg, will bring in a quantity of seed oats from the east, which will be sold at cost to the farmers here. The Commercial referred only a week or two ago to the desirability of giving better attention to our oat crop. If we wish to encourage the oatmeal milling industry. This move of the Ogilvie company should be productive of good results.

The Atlantic & Lake Superior Railway Co. is now extending its line from New Carlisle to Paspobiac, Quebec, on the Gulf of St. Lawrence, which will be the terminus of a new line of steamers to Milford Haven. J. M. Shanley, engineer, stated to a Montreal paper, that the contract has been let for the erection of a 1,000,000 bushel elevator, to be located at Paspobiac. It will be fitted up with all modern elevator machinery for handling grain from cars, etc., into ocean steamers.

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WHEAT IN CANADA.

Stocks of wheat in Canada at principal points of accumulation are reported as follows:

Montreal	21,000
Toronto	133,000
Kingston	340,000
Winnipeg	5,750,000
Manitoba elevators	5,750,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	1,980,000

Total Jan. 7... 8,224,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's on Jan. 7, were 61,057,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 54,311,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on Jan. 1 were 6,923,000 bushels, compared with 6,661,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Jan. 14, was 27,933,000 bushels, being an increase of 577,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 27,838,000 bushels, two years ago, 32,459,000 bushels, three years ago 67,958,000 bushels, and four years ago 82,586,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U. S. POINTS.

	Bushels.
Chicago	3,704,000
Duluth	4,020,000
Minneapolis	5,688,000
New York	4,012,000
Buffalo and afloat	4,445,000

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, is 6,402,000 bushels, compared with 14,310,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 20,935,000 bushels, compared with 39,513,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe on Jan. 1, for a series of years, were as follows. Bradstreet's report: Jan. 1, 1899, 118,949,000 bushels; Jan. 1, 1898, 132,434,000; Jan. 1, 1897, 156,659,000; Jan. 1, 1896, 194,085,000; Jan. 1, 1895, 208,509,000; Jan. 1, 1894, 212,263,000; Jan. 1, 1893, 204,362,000; Jan. 1, 1892, 170,056,000 bushels.

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets from the beginning of the crop year, August 1, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop	Last crop
Minneapolis	53,513,946	49,720,130
Minneapolis	8,960,385	3,731,222
Duluth	55,960,878	32,097,077
Chicago	24,448,140	25,712,640

Total ... 142,889,149 113,261,069

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

Toledo	10,636,650	8,978,998
St. Louis	11,670,863	9,920,968
Detroit	3,701,785	3,753,021
Kansas City	20,182,015	23,335,750

Total ... 46,191,313 45,988,737

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Manitoba

C. Winter has succeeded Mr. McRae, butcher, at Melita.

Alf. Owen, stoves, etc., Rapid City, contradicts the report that he has disposed of his business.

Geo. Johnston, confectioner and fruits, Makiuk, is adding groceries.

Jas. McIntosh has leased his tailoring business at Neepawa to J. Matheson.

W. D. Wilson and Thos. Churchill have entered into partnership in the blacksmithing business at Virton.

Hallonquist & Co., general merchants, Napiuka, have assigned in trust to D. M. McMillan, of Brandon.

Schultz & Stiefel, general merchants, Gretna and Altona, have dissolved partnership, Otto Schultz continues.

H. Johnson, of Stonowall, has opened a branch of his saddlery business at Balmoral, his son John being in charge.

Hector Milne will open in the implement business at Hamlota and will handle the Cockshutt Plow company's implements.

Arthur Sanders has taken a half interest in the butcher business of Thos. Carveth, at Souris. Carveth & Sanders will be the firm name.

E. G. Hipwell & Co., general merchants, Westbourne, have decided to retire from business, and advertise their entire stock for sale by auction.

N. Boyd and R. M. Power, of Carberry, leave the early part of February for the state of Kentucky to buy horses for this market.

The Melita Enterprise has issued a very fine illustrated number, giving a number of views which show the prosperity of the district, and much valuable information about the country.

A meeting of the creditors of Hallonquist & Co., of Napiuka, will be held at the office of D. M. McMillan, Brandon, assignee of the estate, on Jan. 26.

W. B. Shannon, of Tara, Ont., has arrived and assumed control of the hardware business formerly conducted by C. W. Maloan. Mr. Maloan is one of the Carberry pioneers and his departure is much regretted.

Dowad & Besharah, general merchants, Brandon, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Dowad will continue in business in the old stand, while Mr. Besharah will go into business on his own account in other premises.

There has been a change in the proprietorship of the Portage Review newspaper, J. Cornyn having acquired the franchise and plant from his former partner. A joint stock company was in process of formation to purchase the newspaper, but the movement has been dropped as a result of the transfer.

C. W. Willis and I. J. Crittenden, two well known young men of Portage la Prairie, have formed a partnership under the firm name of Willis & Crittenden, and have leased the premises which will shortly be vacated by R. W. McLeod. They will open business in dry goods and ladies' and men's furnishings.

Assiniboia.]

Frank Grob has arrived at Moose Jaw from Regina and will open in the implement business.

Duquette & Co., general merchants,

of Whitewood, are dissolving partnership and offer their business for sale.

The general stock of the estate of M. Naroviansky, of Moosomin, will be offered for sale in Winnipeg on Jan. 31st.

The annual meeting of the White-wood Butter and Cheese Manufacturing association was held last week. The financial position was highly satisfactory, and the directors were empowered to declare a dividend. The old board of directors was re-elected.

The directors held a meeting at the close and reappointed the old executive committee. The make last year amounted to 45,000 pounds of butter.

During the past season there were shipped from Moosomin 4,100 head of cattle. Placing an average price of \$23 per head the total value is a little less than \$100,000. A number of the cattle thus sent were young stock and these went principally to the United States. A number also were sent west to the ranches.

Alberta.

John Donohue, proprietor of the Windsor hotel, Calgary, has sold out.

J. Llewellyn Wilson will continue to carry on the business of the late firm of Child & Wilson, architects, Calgary.

J. H. Dunn and C. W. Cross, advocates, Edmonton, have entered into partnership under the firm name of Dunn & Cross.

Baker & Skelding is the name of a new firm which has opened business at Macleod in flour, feed and produce. C. H. Baker and P. McLaren are the principals.

Northwest Ontario.

E. A. Babin, and J. C. Degegne, butchers, Norman, have dissolved partnership.

An acetylene gas lamp in the window of J. Werner's drug store, Rat Portage, exploded recently, completely wrecking the window. There were three lights attached to the lamp, probably causing too much heat.

Grocery Trade Notes.

Advices indicate a strong market for Central American coffees.

The Dominion company is the name of a new Montreal concern which will manufacture Canadian tobaccos.

Eastern refiners reduced the price of granulated sugar 5c per 100 lbs. on Monday to \$1.30. Yellows were not changed.

Prunes are somewhat unsettled and prices for the four sizes seem to be tending in buyers' favor.—New York Journal of Commerce.

Advices from the other side state that 2½ is the lowest at which Valencia shelled almonds can be bought there. This is equivalent to about 30c laid down here.

Codfish is scarce, stocks in St. John's, Nfld., being 20 per cent less than a year ago. The price ex store has advanced 25c per quintal at Halifax within the last few weeks.

Cables from Sicily quoted shelled almonds for shipment at a price equal to about 26 1-4c laid down in New York. Stocks in the primary market are said to be practically exhausted.

The Indian tea market is showing decidedly strong features. A cable

received recently from Calcutta, advises an advance of 1c per lb., with a strong demand for the lower grades.

Great Britain takes 354,600,000 pounds of rice a year, or 9 pounds to each person; the United States requires but 4 pounds per capita; Spain, 5; Italy, 14. But Japan takes no less than 300 pounds per person a year, and the average of India is 200.

News from the interior of Brazil relative to the next coffee crop, confirm the impression that has already gone abroad, that the yield will be comparatively small owing to frosts having touched the growing plants.

Further information concerning the rice markets show that the weather in Burmah continues unfavorable, and it is now estimated the yield will be reduced from 225,000 to 500,000 tons. European markets are firm, a cargo of new crop Burmah, which was sold recently in New York showed an advance of one shilling six pence per ton in the rough from the price paid recently. Prices for new crop Patna have also slightly advanced from opening figures. Japan rice holds about steady.

The broom corn corner in the United States has been a complete success, both in Illinois and in Kansas, these two states growing 27,800,000 pounds out of a total of 33,400,000 pounds, making the 1898 crop. The article started in for the season at \$10 to \$60, but soon reached to \$75 and \$100 per ton. Dwarf corn has been especially high, and it is anticipated it will sell at \$125 to \$150 in Chicago before new corn comes in.

The Lumber Trade.

The province of Quebec proposes to place an export duty on pulp wood, following the example of Ontario in the matter of saw logs. The exportation of pulp wood is almost a more important matter than that of saw logs, and it is one which we have in our own hands, as United States manufacturers cannot get along without our raw material. If that country continues to prohibit the importation of Canadian pulp, we can stop the supply of raw material to United States mills.

It is reported that the Rat Portage Lumber Company will go on at once with their proposed big mill in Winnipeg, Manager Cameron having received assurances that the South Eastern railway will be completed to Rainy River this year. The lumber company will have their logs brought from the Lake of the Woods by this railway.

The Minneapolis Lumberman says: The market is strong at the advance of Jan. 15. The demand is quite general that dimension and timbers shall also be advanced 50 cents, but this will probably be postponed till the middle of February. At that time if the spring trade shall have developed sufficiently to warrant it, the advance will be made.

A handsome hanger calendar has been received from Leitch Bros., the well known Manitoba flour millers, of Oak Lake. The calendar is one of the best received this season.

In the British shipbuilding trade the year just ended has been one of unparalleled activity. The total production of the year is estimated by the Newcastle Daily Chronicle at 1,610,000 tons, which is largely in excess of previous years.

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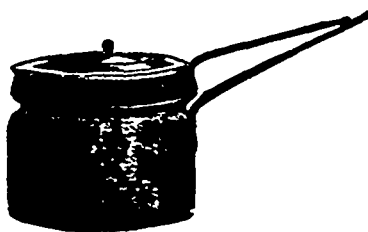
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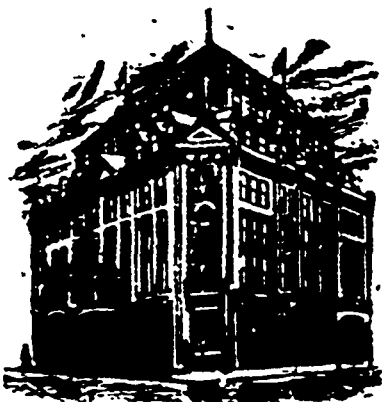
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Hardware and Paint Trade.

The white lead manufacturers met at Montreal recently, but notwithstanding the high prices of materials it was agreed to make no advance on white lead for the spring trade.

The strength of wire and wire nails, all of which have been advancing recently, is in sympathy with the consolidation in the United States and the consequent higher prices in that country.

The American Linseed Oil Company has absorbed the Archer plant at St. Paul, the largest independent plant in the Northwest States. The only other independent in these states is that of Leffingwell Bros., of Fargo.

A Toronto report says turpentine is very firm at the highest prices quoted in nine years, and it is thought quotations may yet be moved higher. Linseed oil is firm and late English cables report an advancing tendency in the market.

A Montreal report says: The great advance in such materials as zinc, turpentine, and others led to an impression that ready mixed paints would open at advanced prices for the new season but no collective action has been taken by makers, so that buyers will likely be able to duplicate last season's prices.

A Montreal exchange says there exists among those handlers of spades and shovels not fortunate enough to be listed by the Canadian association a material feeling of irritation against that body, and a desire that the government should put into force that clause in the new customs tariff which deals with trusts and combinations in the restraints of the freedom of trade.

The Montreal Gazette says: It is interesting to know that as a result of the high standard of quality attained in Canada the importation of English white paint, which was at one time familiar on our markets, has practically ceased. Another interesting feature is that whereas ten years ago a large quantity of common white paint might be found in our stores, by far the greater proportion of white lead now sold in the Dominion is of the highest possible quality.

Tenders.

The Winnipeg relief officer wants tenders, up to January 24, for groceries for relief purposes.

Tenders for a quantity of cord wood will be received up to Jan. 25, at the office of the Winnipeg public school board.

Tenders are wanted by J. W. Rathwell for the erection of a school building in the Foster district, Hayfield P. O., Man.

Tenders will be received by N. Redford till February 10, for the building of a school house, frame with stone basement or an all stone building near Morden, Man.

Tenders for 400 cords of poplar fire wood are wanted by the chairman of the market, license and health committee of the Winnipeg city council, up to the evening of January 24. Deposit of \$25 wanted with tenders.

Ald. Horro, of Winnipeg, proposes to endeavor to have voting made compulsory at civic elections; doing away with canvassing, and reducing the interest on over-due taxes, which is now

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Apples, gallons (per doz.)	3 00 3 25
Black or Lawton berries, 25, 2 doz.	3 25 3 50

Beans, 25, 2 doz.	1 85 2 00
Corn, 25, 2 doz.	2 30 2 50
Cherries, red, pitted 25, 2 doz.	3 75 4 00
Peas, Marrowfat, 25, 2 doz.	1 90 2 00
Peas, sifted, 25, 2 doz.	2 25 2 50
Peas, Bartlett, 25, 2 doz.	3 25 3 50
Peas, California, 2 1/2, 2 doz.	4 50 4 75
Peas, Bartlett, 35, 2 doz.	5 00 5 50
Pineapple, 25, 2 doz.	4 50 5 00
Pineapple, imported, 25, 2 doz.	5 00 5 50
Peaches, 25, 2 doz.	3 50 3 75
Peaches, California, 2 1/2, 2 doz.	5 00 5 50
Peaches, Canadian, 35, 2 doz.	5 00 5 50
Plums, 25, 2 doz.	3 00 3 25
Plums, California, 2 1/2, 2 doz.	4 50 4 75
Pumpkins, 35, 2 doz.	2 00 2 25
Raspberries, 25, 2 doz.	3 25 3 50
Strawberries, 25, 2 doz. new.	3 10 3 25
Tomatoes, 35, 2 doz.	2 20 2 50
Salmon, talls, 15, 4 doz.	5 00 6 00
Salmon, Colchoe talls, 15, 4 doz.	7 50 8 00

Matches	Per case
Telegraph	\$3 85
Telephone	3 65
Tiger	3 50

Nuts	Per pound
Brazils	11 13 1/2
Taragona Almonds	14 15
Peanuts, roasted	11 1/2 13
Peanuts, green	9 10
Grenoble Walnuts	14 15
French Walnuts	12 13
Sicily Filberts	10 11
Shelled Almonds	30 35

Syrup	Per lb.
Extra Bright, per lb.	30 3 1/2
Medium, per lb.	2 1/2 30
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins	60 6 75
Molasses, per gal. (New Or.)	35 40
Porto Rico	40 50
Barbadoes	45 50

Sugar	Per pound
Extra Standard Gran.	50 55
German Granulated	4 1/2 50
Extra Ground	70 75
Powdered	60 65
Bright Yellow Sugar	4 1/2 45
Maple Sugar	110 120

Salt	Per pound
Rock Salt	1 1/2 1 3/4
Common, fine	1 00 2 00
Common, coarse	1 00 2 00
Dairy, 100 3	3 25 3 50
Dairy, 60-5	3 15 3 30

Spices	Per doz.
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins	75 90
Allspice, whole	18 20
Allspice, pure ground	18 22
Allspice, compound	15 18
Cassia, whole	18 20
Cassia, pure ground	20 25
Cassia, compound	13 18
Cloves, whole	17 20
Cloves, pure ground	25 30
Cloves, compound	18 20
Pepper, black, whole	14 15
Pepper, black, pure ground	16 18
Pepper, black, compound	10 13
Pepper, white, whole	23 25
Pepper, white, pure ground	25 30
Pepper, white, compound	15 20
Pepper, Cayenne	25 30
Ginger, whole, Jamaica	25 30
Ginger, whole, Cochin	20 25
Ginger, pure ground	23 25
Ginger, compound	15 25
Nutmegs, (per pound)	55 80
Mace (per pound)	1 00 1 25

Teas	Per pound
China Blacks—	
Choice	35 40
Medium	25 30
Common	13 20
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Cereals	Per sack
Split Peas, sack 95	2 50
Pot Barley, sack 95	2 60 2 75
Pearl Barley, sack 95	4 25 4 50
Rolls Oats, sack 60	1 55 1 90
Standard Oatmeal, sack 95	2 35
Granulated Oatmeal, sack 95	2 35
Beans (per bushel)	1 40 1 45
Cornmeal, sack 95	1 25
Cornmeal, 1/2 sack 49 (per 1/2 sack)	0 65

Coffee	Per pound.
Green Rio	9 10
Inferior grades	8 1/2 9

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Old Judge	\$8 90
Athlete	8 90
Sweet Caporal	8 90
Sweet Sixteen	5 70
Derby	6 60

Cured Fish	Per lb.
Honeysuckle, per lb.	05 05 1/2
Colfish, whole cases, 100 lbs.	6 00
Colfish, Pure per lb.	07 07 1/2
Herrings, in half-barrels	3 75 4 00

Dried Fruits	Per pound
Raisins, Val., fine, off stalk	55 1 65
Raisins, Selected, off stalk	70 1 80
Raisins, Val. Layers, per box	80 1 00
Loose Muscatels, 2 crown	5 1/2 5 3/4
Loose Muscatels, 3 crown	06 1/2 07
Loose Muscatels, 4 crown	08 8 1/2
London Layers, 20 lb Boxes	1 00 2 00
Apples, Dried	08 8 1/2
Evap Apples, finest quality	10 1/2 11

California Evaporated Fruits	Per pound
Peaches, peeled	17 18
Peaches, unpeeled	13 14
Pears	12 1/2 13
Apricots	16 1/2 17
Pitted Plums	11 11 1/2
Prunes, 100 to 120	5 1/2 6
Prunes, 90 to 100	10 11 1/2
Prunes, 80 to 90	7 7 1/2
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Peanuts, roasted	11 1/2 13
Peanuts, green	9 10
Grenoble Walnuts	14 15
French Walnuts	12 13
Sicily Filberts	10 11
Shelled Almonds	30 35

Syrup	Per lb.
Extra Bright, per lb.	30 3 1/2
Medium, per lb.	2 1/2 30
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins	60 6 75
Molasses, per gal. (New Or.)	35 40
Porto Rico	40 50
Barbadoes	45 50

Sugar	Per pound
Extra Standard Gran.	50 55
German Granulated	4 1/2 50
Extra Ground	70 75
Powdered	60 65
Bright Yellow Sugar	4 1/2 45
Maple Sugar	110 120

Salt	Per pound
Rock Salt	1 1/2 1 3/4
Common, fine	1 00 2 00
Common, coarse	1 00 2 00
Dairy, 100 3	3 25 3 50
Dairy, 60-5	3 15 3 30

Spices	Per doz.
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins	75 90
Allspice, whole	18 20
Allspice, pure ground	18 22
Allspice, compound	15 18
Cassia, whole	18 20
Cassia, pure ground	20 25
Cassia, compound	13 18
Cloves, whole	17 20
Cloves, pure ground	25 30
Cloves, compound	18 20
Pepper, black, whole	14 15
Pepper, black, pure ground	16 18
Pepper, black, compound	10 13
Pepper, white, whole	23 25
Pepper, white, pure ground	25 30
Pepper, white, compound	15 20
Pepper, Cayenne	25 30
Ginger, whole, Jamaica	25 30
Ginger, whole, Cochin	20 25
Ginger, pure ground	23 25
Ginger, compound	15 25
Nutmegs, (per pound)	55 80
Mace (per pound)	1 00 1 25

Teas	Per pound
China Blacks—	
Choice	35 40
Medium	25 30
Common	13 20
Indian and Ceylon—	
Choice	32 40
Medium	25 30
Common	16 22
Young Hysons—	
Choice	35 45
Medium	25 35
Common	22 30
Japan—	
Finest May Picking	35 40
Choice	30 35
Fine	25 30
Good Medium	20 25
Common	15 20

Tobacco

Per pound	
T. & B., 35, 45, and 95 Cads.	00 72
Lily, 35, Cads.	00 63
Crescent, 35, Cads.	00 60
T. & B. Black Chewing, Sorrels	00 61
T. & B. Mahogany Chewing, Ss or 16	00 64
T. & B. 1-12 pkg. cut	00 59
T. & B. 1-5 pkg. cut	00 91
T. & B. in pouches, 1-4	00 91
T. & B. in 1-5 tins	00 99
T. & B. in 1/2 tin	00 90
T. & B. in 12 tins	00 87
Orinoco, 1-12 pkg.	00 85
Orinoco, 1-5 tins	00 91
Orinoco, 1/2 tins	00 86

Wooden Ware	Per doz.
Pails, 2 hoop clear	1 50 1 60
Pails, wire hoop	2 25 2 30
Pails, Star fibre	4 00
Tubs, No. 0 common	9 50 10 50
Tubs, No. 1 common	5 50 9 00
Tubs, No. 2 common	6 50 7 00
Tubs, No. 3 common	5 50 6 00
Tubs, nests (3)	1 55 1 65
Tubs, wire hoop (3)	2 25 2 40
Tubs, fibre, No. 0	16 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 1	14 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 2	12 50
Tubs, fibre, No. 3	10 50
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (2)	48 50
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (3)	75 80

Smoked Meats	per lb.
Hams	11
Breakfast bacon, bellies	11 1/2
Breakfast bacon, backs	11
Spiced rolls	10
Shoulders	8 1/2
Long Clear	9 1/2

Dry Salt Meats	per lb.
Long clear bacon	8 1/2
Shoulders	8 1/2
Short Clear	8
Backs	9

Barrel Pork	Per barrel
Heavy mess	16 00 17 00
Shortcut	16 50 17 50

Meat Sundries	per lb.
Fresh pork sausage, lb	8
Bologna sausage, lb	7
Pickled pigs feet, kits	1 40
Sausage casings, lb	25 30

CURED MEATS AND LARD

Lard, pure, 20 lb pails	\$1 80
Lard, imported, 20 lbs	1 70
Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb tins, per case of 60 lbs	5 75
Lard, pure, Tierces, per lb	8
Lard, soft tubs	8 1/2
Lard, Compound, 20 lb pails	1 35
Lard, Compound, 3 and 5 lb tins, case 60 lbs.	5 00

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FRESH FISH, OYSTERS

Whitefish, lb	05 05 1/2
Pickarel, lb	04
TROUT, lb	02
Pike, lb	02
Salmon, lb	12 1/2
H.C. halibut, lb	12
Smelts, lb	09
Cod	08
Haddock	08
Smoked goldeyes, doz	30
Smoked haddies	08

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Dried Wheat.

There has been a great deal of speculation as to the value of damp wheat after it is dried. Dried wheat is a new thing here, and the trade have been very dubious about handling the stuff, as it has been feared that the application of heat in the drying process might injure the grain for milling purposes. Mr. Gibb, grain inspector at Fort William, and Mr. King, who operates the Port Arthur elevator, where a large drying plant has recently been installed, arrived in Winnipeg on Wednesday last for the purpose of conferring with the grain dealers here regarding the dried wheat. Mr. Gibb brought large samples of dried wheat with him, from stock now in store at Fort William and Mr. King also brought samples of newly dried grain with him. The grain men examined the samples and appeared to be satisfied with them.

Mr. King is very enthusiastic as to results attained by the drying process. So far they have dried about 40,000 bu, but now that the new plant is in working condition, they will handle the grain much faster. One of the Fort William elevators is being utilized for the storage of the wheat after it has been dried. They have a large quantity of grain on hand to be treated, aggregating over half a million bushels, there being about 500 cars of damp wheat on track at Fort William and Port Arthur, besides a quantity in one of the elevators. They expect to be able to put the wheat through from this time forward at the rate of 20,000 to 30,000 bushels per day of twenty-four hours, and even at this rate they will have all they can do to

handle the wheat now on hand and what they expect will yet come forward, as it must be dried before warm weather sets in. Consequently the plant is kept going continuously day and night. The charge is very reasonable, varying from 2 1-2 to 3 1-2 cents per bushel for drying and cleaning, according to the degree of moisture. The charge for drying oats is 2 cents per bushel. After drying, grain can be taken into store at Fort William so that farmers who ship grain to the elevator to be dried can hold it in store for a more favorable market, if they so desire.

Mr. King expressed himself to The Commercial that he had every confidence in the value of the wheat after it has been dried and considered it just as good as grain that did not require drying. In fact he said he believed that the dried grain would sell before long better than regular grade stuff, as the drying process renders it thoroughly clean. Orders have recently been received from some Eastern millers for a number of car lots of the dried wheat. No. 1 northern, after cleaning and drying, weighs 62 to 63 pounds per bushel, showing that the grain is thoroughly clean. Wheat, after being dried, will be graded as "special." That is the word special will be added to the grade under which the wheat would ordinarily come, as for instance, No. 2 hard special.

Mr. King says that the cold weather last fall during the wet spell is all that saved the damp wheat. If the weather had turned warm for a short time, much of it would have been ruined. At a temperature of about 60 or higher, fermentation will set

in and the commercial value of the grain is quickly destroyed.

Western Business Items.

The Monsoon Tea Co. is closing its Winnipeg branch.

J. C. Laidlaw, butcher, Carman, Man., advertises his business for sale.

The Edmonton Pork Packing Co., Edmonton, Alberta, intend giving up the business.

H. A. Holman, confectioner, Winnipeg, reported in difficulties last week, has since assigned to W. R. Watson in trust.

The stock and effects of the Manitoba Fish Co., Selkirk, are advertised for sale, Feb. 4th.

Geo. B. Thompson, manufacturers' agent, Winnipeg, has been appointed agent here for the Brandon oatmeal mills.

Fire broke out in an old building on Portage avenue, Winnipeg, near Main street, last night. A. Paul, boots and shoes, and Mrs. Paul, millinery, suffered damage to their stocks to the estimated amount of \$1,000. Some insurance.

Petitions are in circulation requesting that action be taken to foreclose on the Farmers' mill and elevator at Portage la Prairie, so that the property can be offered for sale. It is said that in case this course is taken local parties will submit a bid for purchase of the elevator and mill.

The first wool sales for 1899 opened in London on Jan. 17, with spirited buying. Cape and Natal wools advanced 7 1-2 per cent. The next sales open March 7.

THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, Jan. 21.

While business is moving in moderate volume, the movement is larger than for the corresponding period of last year. This is true of the month of December and January to date. This is reflected by the bank clearings at Winnipeg, which each week continue to show a considerable increase over previous years, while in September, October and November, bank clearings here were less than last year. The deliveries of grain in country markets have increased somewhat, and should continue to increase as the season advances until spring work begins. High prices are being paid in Manitoba country markets, compared with export values.

WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, Jan. 21.

(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.)

BLUESTONE.

Bluestone is a commodity which has attracted much attention of late, owing to the big advances made by manufacturers of this article. Bluestone is a product of copper, and copper, as is well known, has experienced a tremendous "boom" in prices lately, owing to speculative influences and efforts to control the copper situation by certain individuals. Bluestone has therefore advanced owing to the increased cost of copper. Locally the commodity is now selling here at less than it would cost laid down in car lots, on the present basis, the net cost being about 4 3-4c here, while sales have been made freely about 4 1-2c here, and even at closer prices in large lots. The tendency, however, is very strong, as at the present cost small lots here should sell about 5 1-2c.

DRUGS.

Business is reported fairly good. The principal feature of interest to the trade is the big combine in borax. It is reported from New York that all the important companies in the world engaged in the production of borax and boric acid have joined in a trust. This combination includes the owners of the main deposits of borax and extends through the United States, England, France and South America. It will control the world's supply of the product.

FISH.

Supplies of haddies continue scarce, and only enough have been coming forward to keep the market going in a hand-to-mouth way. Whitefish, or at least winter caught whitefish, have been offered very sparingly in this market, but there are plenty of summer caught refrigerator stored fish.

GROCERIES.

In the way of price changes in the local market this week we have a decline of 1-8c on granulated sugar, but no change in any other sorts. In rice there is a decline of 1-4c on Patna and 1-2c on Japan rice. Pot barley is up 25c per sack. The only change

in the dried fruit list is a decline of 1-4c on 2 crown Muscatel raisins, and 1-2c reduction on 3 crown. Ground and unground white pepper are up 2c. The only change in canned goods is an advance of 10c on pigs feet. In the sugar market the situation is interesting, and sugars are offering at very low prices here. This is owing to the fight between the big refineries in the United States, in consequence of which the price of granulated sugar has been reduced to a low point. Yellows have not declined in the same proportion and these grades are now much higher, comparatively than granulated. Some United States sugars have been coming into this market. In consequence of the low price in the United States and the low through freight rates from New York to Winnipeg, Eastern Canada refineries have been obliged to quote very low prices for sugars delivered in this market. The Vancouver refinery is also meeting the cut. Of course, as soon as the fight in the United States between the big refiners is stopped, sugars will come up again to a more natural level. An advance in brooms is not unlikely, owing to the corner on broom corn, which has led to a big advance in the raw material. Coffee is firm. There is considerable short crop talk.

GREEN FRUITS.

Business is good for the season, apples are firm, and stocks of choice fruit are getting reduced. Winter pears and Almeria grapes are pretty well used up, and some dealers are about out of these lines. Prices are: California navel oranges, \$4 to \$4.25, as to size. Mexican oranges, \$3.75 to \$4 box; California seedling oranges, \$3.50 to \$3.75 box; bananas, per bunch, \$3.00 to \$3.50, as to size; Messina lemons, \$4.50 per box; California lemons, \$4.50 per box; Ontario apples, good ordinary stock, \$4; fancy spies \$4.50 per barrel, Almeria grapes, \$8, \$10 and \$12 per keg as to quality and size; Catawba grapes, \$5.50 per crate of fifteen 3 lb. baskets; winter Nelles pears \$3 box; estate pears \$3.50 box; cranberries, unfrozen, \$3 per barrel; sweet potatoes, \$5 per barrel; coconuts, \$1 a dozen; Sicily filberts, large 11 to 12c per pound; Grenoble walnuts, 15c; Tarragona almonds, 14c; peanuts, green, 10c; roasted, 12c; pecan nuts, 12c lb.; shelled walnuts, 24 1-2 to 26c per pound; strained honey, 8 1-2 to 9c per pound; maple sugar, 11 to 12c; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels; California figs, in boxes of ten bricks, \$2 per box; dates, 7 1-2c per pound; celery, 40c per dozen bunches.

HARDWARE AND PAINTS.

General firmness is the feature of nearly all staples in this branch. The principal feature now is the strong market for barb wire, owing to the further consolidation of the wire industry in the United States, where prices have been advanced in consequence. Barb wire in the local market has been advanced 10c, and is now firm at \$2.50 f.o.b. Winnipeg. Through car lots to country points carry the additional proportionate freight rate added to the cost. Zinc is higher locally, owing to the advance in first hands. Wire nails are very firm. An advance is not unlikely in this line here. Wire nails are influenced by about the same conditions as barb wire. The combine on spades and shovels is a feature which is commented upon adversely by the local

trade. It is claimed that Canadian consumers are being taxed to add the combine in the United States, which works with the Canadian association. Turpentine is firm at the last advance. Mixed paints and white lead are very firm, owing to the increased cost of raw material used in their manufacture, but prices are unchanged. A new Canadian oil combine is reported from Toronto.

RAW FURS.

Important sales of raw furs were held in London this week. At the Hudson's Bay Co.'s sales beaver and musquash were offered, as customary in past years at the January sales. Advice to the company here by cable report that beaver advanced 12 1-2 per cent, while rat declined 10 per cent compared with the January sales of last year.

The Commercial has received the following report regarding C. M. Lampion & Co.'s sale held in London this week:

Red fox advanced 15 per cent.
White fox advanced 30 per cent.
Lynx advanced 20 per cent.
Martin advanced 40 per cent.
Skunk same as a year ago.
Oter same as a year ago.
Wolverine advanced 25 per cent.
Black bear declined 15 per cent.
Brown bear declined 10 per cent.
Grizzly bear declined 10 per cent.
Raccoon advanced 15 per cent.
Wolf advanced 20 per cent.

On the 19th a second sale of lynx was held, when the price advanced 35 per cent, compared with a year ago.

WOOD AND COAL.

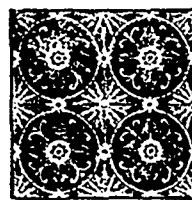
There is no change in coal, which is quoted wholesale at 10 1/2 at above the selling price here, adding freight and cost of handling. Cordwood is easy and in liberal supply. Pine wood is lower, as noted last week. Poplar, however, holds fairly firm.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—The wheat market has got into a rut these days and there is

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no sign of anything to lift it out. Almost complete absence of speculative demand in the world's markets leaves the situation at present one of ordinary supply and demand, and although public reserve stocks are still low, importing merchants and millers in Europe maintain an attitude of perfect indifference as regards future supply. They are ready to buy freely whenever prices decline a little, but on the least sign of an advance they withdraw again from the market. Any large increase in speculative buying, any widespread crop damage or any serious war scare would send the market up easily, but should none of these occur it is quite probable that the consumer of the surplus of the world's wheat crop may possess his soul in patience in the confidence that his needs will be supplied regularly as usual. He has the new Argentine, Australian and the Indian crops to look forward to to fill the place of probable declining American shipments. Yesterday Russian official announcements give the Russian wheat crop of 1898 as 64,000,000 bushels greater than 1897. It is well known that Russia has not been selling wheat freely, but holding for higher prices. What she has not sold is yet to sell and will probably come out more freely in the spring, and so with one supply and another the requirements of importing Europe will be filled with more or less regularity as the weeks pass by and without an unusual increase in price.

The markets in the United States closed yesterday at almost the same figures as a week ago. The movement of wheat there during the week has been about the same as the previous week, and about double compared with the same week last year. The seaboard clearances show lessening figures and ocean freight rates from the Atlantic seaboard are declining steadily, giving evidence of lighter inquiry for grain space. The American visible supply last week increased 577,000 bushels, and the increase in the world's visible supply was 1,300,000 bushels. Growing crops are favorably reported upon everywhere.

The local market is, if anything, quieter even than last week, there being very little business passing. One hard spot, Fort William, stands at 58c per bushel. For February delivery 69c, and May delivery 72c, 2 hard and 1 northern are 31-2c less and 3 hard and 2 northern are 7c less than 1 hard. A conference was held this week between the council of the Winnipeg grain exchange and J. G. King

and Mr. Gibb, of Fort William, in regard to the dried wheat. Large samples of dried wheat were brought from Fort William and were found to be very satisfactory. After explanation and discussion, it was agreed that there need be no doubt or hesitation as to the satisfactory result of drying the wheat at the Port Arthur elevator. Dried 2 hard and 1 northern is worth 60 to 62c on cars Port Arthur and dried 2 northern 56 to 58c.

FLOUR—Prices are unchanged. Prices here to retail dealers are as follows: \$1.35 for patent, \$1.75 for strong bakers; Glenora \$1.75; Manitoba bakers, \$1.45, Algoma, \$1.30; Imperial XXXX, \$1.15, XXXX, \$1.05 per sack of 98 pounds. Discount of 5c per sack for cash.

MILLFEED—Prices are steady. Bran is quoted at \$10 and shorts at \$12 per ton, with large lots at \$1 per ton less.

GROUND FEED—Prices vary widely all the way from \$7 to \$18 a ton, as to quality. Oat chop is quoted at \$15 to \$16 per ton; mixed barley and oats, \$13 to \$14, and wheat and mill mixtures at \$7 to \$10 per ton as to quality; oil cake, \$23 per ton; ground corn, \$18 to \$19 ton.

OATMEAL—The market is steady at the advance reported last week to \$1.90 per sack for rolled oatmeal. There is a demand for all the mills can turn out.

OATS—The market is firmer, as farmers have not been offering freely at country points. Car lots are generally held at 25c on track here for ordinary feed quality, and we quote 24 to 25c for cars of feed and 26c for a good No. 2 white of full weight per bushel. Several car lots of good feed oats were sold to large consumers at equal to 26c on track here. One car of very choice oats, about the best sample shown here this season sold at 28c, but as a rule there is nothing offered that will bring over 26c to dealers. Prices paid to farmers here have ranged from 23 to 26c as to quality. For feed oats, from 23 to 25c per bushel of 34 lbs. has been paid as to quality. Most of the oats marketed have been very poor or damp. Good qualities have brought 26c for milling. From 18 to 22c per bushel has been paid this week to farmers at country points.

BARLEY—The demand is slow. Low grade or feed barley is almost unsaleable. Farmers have been getting 23 to 25c for feed grades, per bushel of 48 pounds. For malting barley 30c is the usual price offered, only choicest

samples bringing 1 to 2c more.

WHEAT—Local street market—Millers have been paying 54 to 57 cents for choice hard wheat delivered at the mills by farmers, as to quality. There is considerable damp wheat offering, which brings 30 to 50c per bushel of 60 pounds, as to quality. Inspection returns show a much larger percentage of damp wheat now moving in car lots than was the case earlier in the season.

FLAX SEED—Nominal.

CORN—Car lots on track here would cost laid down about 41 to 48c per bushel of 56 lbs., as to grade.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is steady, and about nominal. Jobbers are quoting 22 to 23c as to quantity and quality.

Butter—Dairy—The market is steady. Buyers are offering 13 1-2c to 14 1-2c here for lots, as to quality, and 15c is paid for choice lots. The winter make of butter appears to be larger than usual, as considerable new butter is offering. Country merchants continue to pay too high prices at many points for butter, consequently they are not getting fair returns for the labor of handling the commodity. The high prices being paid have probably had the effect of increasing the make somewhat. The tendency of prices is easy.

CHEESE—Cheese is firmer in sympathy with the stronger market east. Jobbers quote 9 1-2c for large and 10c for small sizes, but an advance is looked for.

EGGS—Held fresh stock is selling at 18 to 20c, and limed at 16 to 17c. Some fresh country case eggs are now beginning to come in, but dealers find it difficult to get any more for them than for held fresh, though some have sold as high as 22c per dozen. Fresh gathered are only obtainable in a small way from producers at 25 to 35c per dozen.

POULTRY—The supply is limited. Chickens are particularly scarce and prices for these have advanced 1c per pound. Buyers are now offering 10c per pound for good mixed lots of chickens. Ontario turkeys are held at 12c and Manitoba at 10 to 12c, as to quality; geese, 9 to 10c; ducks, 8 to 10c.

GAME—Rabbits 8 1-2c each. Pigeons 20c per pair. Wild ducks 25c per pair.

DRESSED MEATS—Beef is firm, but owing to competition there has been no advance, and 6c is still about the outside price for fresh killed beef, though there is very little in it at

this price. There is scarcely any frozen beef offering, and what there is sells quickly at comparatively high prices, bringing almost as much as good city dressed beef. Mutton holds firm. A car load of eastern frozen mutton was brought in this week by a local dealer. Hogs are steady. Car lots of hogs from Ontario can be laid down here at \$5.80 per 100 pounds. They were offered at this price freely this week. Ontario hogs, however, are too fat to suit the trade here, and city butchers will readily pay 6c for any nice lots of Manitoba hogs. Mixed lots 5 3-4c. We quote prices as follows: City dressed beef, 5 1-2 to 6c; country beef 5 to 5 1-2c, as to quality; mutton 7 to 8c; lamb, 8 to 9c; veal, 6 to 7c; hogs, 5 3-4 to 6c.

VEGETABLES—Prices unchanged as follows. Potatoes, 35 to 40c per bushel; turnips, 20c per bushel; parsnips, 11-2c per lb.; carrots, 35 to 40c; beets, 35 to 40c per bushel; celery, 40c per dozen; cabbage, 1c per pound; onions, local stock, 90c to \$1 per bushel; imported onions, 2c pound.

SENECA ROOT—Nominal at 21c.

WOOL—Nominal at 8 to 8 1-2c per pound.

HIDES—Frozen hides are quoted at 6c. Bulls and oxen 1c less. Five pounds tare taken on frozen hides. Inspected hides are as follows: No. 1, 6 1-2c; No. 2 5 1-2c; No. 3 4 1-2c. Braided hides grade No. 2, and bulls No. 3, kip, 6c to 6 1-2c, calf 8c; deacon, skins, 15c to 25c each, sheepskins and lambskins, 50 to 65c for fresh skins; horsehides, 75c to \$1.50 each.

HAY—Baled is quoted at \$7.50 to \$8 on track here and loose on the street market at \$6 to \$7.50 as to quality.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—There has been nothing further doing this week. Butchers' cattle are quoted at 3 to 3 1-4c off cars here for good to choice animals. It is reported that the buying of stocker cattle for shipment to the United States is being resumed in the country, at better prices than were paid at the close of the season last fall. We quote stockers 2 1-2 to 2 3-4c. The outlook is for firm prices for butchers' cattle.

SHEEP—None offering. Entirely nominal.

HOGS—Quoted steady at 4 3-4c off cars for selected weights.

MILCH COWS—Prices range from \$25 to \$40 per head for new milkers.

Minneapolis Markets.

Compared with a week ago flour is unchanged; oats a shade higher; corn firm. Max seed 1-2c lower; eggs 1-2c lower; butter 1c lower; poultry lower; hides 1-2c higher; hogs rather lower, and cattle higher.

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$3.70 to \$3.80; second patents, \$3.50 to \$3.60.

Milled—Shorts in bulk, \$3.75 to \$9; bran in bulk, \$9 to \$9.25; corn feed, \$2 to \$14 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 32 3-4 for No. 3 yellow, and 32 1-2 for No. 3.

Oats—Held at 28 1-4c for No. 3 white, and 28c for No. 3.

Barley—Malting, 41 to 46c; feed quoted at 38 to 40c.

Flax seed—\$1.13 per bushel.

Eggs—17 1-2c for strictly fresh including cases, held fresh, 14 to 15c; seconds, 12c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 10 to 11 1-2c; fair to good, 8 1-2 to 9c.

Butter—Creamery, 15 1-2 to 17 1-2c,

for choice to extras; seconds 12 to 14c; dairy 12 1-2 to 15c; for choice to fancy; seconds 11c.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 5 to 6 1-2c; lamb, 8 to 10c; veal, 5 to 6c; hogs, choice, 4 1-4c; medium, 4c; heavy, 3 1-2c.

Poultry—Chickens, spring, 6 to 9 hens 5 to 7 1-2c; roosters 4c; turkeys, 7 to 9c; ducks 5 to 9c; geese 5 to 8c. Frozen stock 1c less.

Hides—Green salted hides, 9 1-4c for No. 1; 8 1-4c for No. 2; bulls, oxen and stags, 6 3-4 to 7 3-4c; sheepskins, 25 to 30c each; veal, calf, 10 to 11 1-2c; tallow, 2 1-2 to 3 1-2c; seneca root, 21 to 24c.

Potatoes—Mixed lots, 25 to 28c, white, 30 to 35c.

Apples—Good winter stock, \$3.50 to \$4.50 barrel.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 11 to 12c, medium, 13 to 14c; coarse, 14 1-2 to 15 1-2c.

Hay—\$6.50 to \$7.00 per ton for timothy, mixed clover, \$5 to \$6.

Live stock—Hogs, medium weight, \$1.20 to \$3.47 1-2; heavy \$3.15; light \$3.10 per 100 lbs. Sheep \$3 to \$3.75; lambs \$1.75; cattle, stockers and feeders, \$1 to \$1.25, stock cows and heifers \$2 to \$3.00, butchers' choice, \$4 to \$1.50; cows and heifers, \$2 to \$4; bulls \$2.40 to \$3.30.

Country Wheat Markets.

Prices paid for wheat at C. P. R. points were firm on Friday, being slightly higher than the quotations of Wednesday and Thursday. At Grtna 3,500 bushels were delivered, and at Portage la Prairie 3,000. The total deliveries amounted to 38,250 bushels. The average price was about 54 cents, although 60 cents was paid at Bolsevain and 59 at Emerson. The quotations were:

Main line—High Bluff 55, Portage la Prairie 55, McGregor 57, Sidney 52, Carberry 54, Sowell 55, Douglas 57, Brandon 55, Alexander 53, Griswold 53, Oak Lake 53, Virden 54, Hargrave 54, Elkhorn 53, Fleming 55, Moosomin 54, Wapella 54, Whitewood 52, Broadview 54, Wolseley 55, Slatuluta 51, Indian Head 51, Qu'Appelle 51, Balgonie 51, Regina 50, Pense 52. Prince Albert branch—Lumsden 50, Rosthern 48.

Souris branch—Souris 55, Hartney 58, Laudow 56, Melita 55, Carleton 50, Oxbow 48.

Southwestern branch—Alameda 50, Carman 53, Rathwell 52, Treherne 53, Holland 53, Glenboro 54, Methven 52, Roston 54.

Pembina branch—Rosenfeld 58, Altona 52, 2 hard; Grtna 54, 2 hard; Plum Coulee 52, 2 hard; Morden 53, 2 hard; Thornhill 55, Manitou 55, Lariole 53, Pilot Mound 53, 2 hard; Crystal City 56, Holmfied 55, Killarney 55, Ninga 52, Bolsevain 60.

Emerson branch—Emerson 59, Dominion City 56, 1 northern.

British Columbia Items.

J. N. Drant, saloon, Victoria, is dead.

G. Stobill is opening a private bank at Niagara.

A. R. McDonald, hotel, Victoria, has sold out to Adam & Skinner.

Palace Clothing House Co., Ltd., Vancouver, has suffered slight loss from fire.

Bank clearings for the week at Victoria totalled \$618,504, the balances were \$167,001.

Marquson & Boardman, bankers, etc., Slocan City, advertise dissolution of partnership.

A. W. Palmor, of Canmore, Alberta, has opened a drug store at Field.

H. T. Bragdon, hardware, New Denver, is reported moving to Grand Forks.

Snythe & Scott, commission, Revelstoke, have dissolved; Mrs. S. W. Snythe continues.

Johnston, Kerfoot & Cross, men's furnishings, Vancouver, A. S. Cross' interest purchased by Johnston, Kerfoot & Co., who continue.

Justice Martin gave judgment quashing the Sandon by-laws, providing for the raising of \$15,000 for the fluming and making improvements in the channel of Carpenter creek.

The bill to exclude aliens from the placer mines of the province has received its third reading and was immediately assented by the lieutenant-governor, so that it is now in effect.

H. Allers Hankey, secretary of the Dominion Mining and Development company, limited, the British corporation that has acquired the immense water power at the cascades of Kettle river, at Cascade city, has given out that work on the big dam will now be rushed with all possible speed.

E. N. Choumett, representative of the Columbia Packing company, has returned to Vancouver after a visit to California to purchase a thirty ton freezing plant. He expects the machinery to arrive in a short time when practically a new industry, that of exporting fish, will come into existence in this province.

The Atlin Trading and Mining company is the name of a new concern lately organized for the purpose of carrying on business in the Atlin district. The business will be in charge of Walter Hayes and A. S. Cross, late of the firm of Johnston, Kerfoot & Cross, of Vancouver. The company will carry on business as general merchants and mine owners.

British Columbia is going in for radical legislation. Mr. MacPherson, the labor representative from Vancouver, has introduced in the legislature a bill to declare null and void any contracts for labor, entered into before their arrival in this province, made with persons in other parts of Canada, as well as with persons in foreign countries. This was read a second time without division.

Mining Notes.

The Payne mine, of British Columbia, has slackened its output but only to allow the development work an opportunity to keep pace with the production. This mine paid in profits to the owners during 1898, \$1,264,000.

The first gold brick produced by a British Columbia coast mine was brought to Vancouver this week. It is from the Dorothy Morton mine and is really a silver-gold brick. The mine is owned by the Fairfield syndicate, an English company.

Death of A. McBean.

The Winnipeg grain exchange has lost another well known member in the death of Arch. McBean, who passed away suddenly at his residence in Winnipeg on Thursday morning. Mr. McBean has been in the grain trade here for about fifteen years, doing business under the style of A. McBean & Son.

Fresh cod and haddock declined 1-4c at Montreal this week.

British Columbia Markets.

[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.]

BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, Jan. 21, 1890.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 23½ @ 2½c choice dairy, jobbers price, 18 @ 19c; Off grade or cooking 15 @ 17c.

Eggs—Local, 50c; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 19 @ 20c.

Cheese—Ontario, 12 @ 12½c, jobbers price
Cured Meats—Hams 12½ @ 13c; breakfast bacon 12½ @ 13c; backs 12 @ 12½c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11 @ 12½c; Lard, tins 10c per lb, in pails and tubs 9½c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked salmon 10c; fresh halibut, 6c; salmon, 6c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$12 @ 13 per ton, Ashcroft, \$17.50 @ \$18; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$3.50 @ \$3.75 box; apples, 65c per 50 lb. box; Valencia oranges, \$3.00; navel oranges, \$3.50 @ 3.75 box; seedlings \$2.50 box.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.80; 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$1.90; strong bakers \$4.40; Oregon, jobbers price, \$4.50.

Grain—Oats, 18.00 @ \$20.00 per ton; oat, 23.00 @ \$25.00 per ton;

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$23.00 per ton; shorts \$22 ton; bran \$20; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$8 to \$10 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7½ @ 8c; mutton 9 @ 10c; pork 8 @ 8½c; veal 10 @ 10½c; Pemmanic 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$4.00 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$5.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.50 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Turkeys, 13½ @ 14c lb; geese and ducks, 12½ @ 13c; chickens, 12 @ 13c.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 10½c per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9 @ 10c; prunes, French 5 @ 7½c; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6 @ 8½c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnut, 13c lb.

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

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tins, \$4.50 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, January 21

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$13.50 @ \$14.00.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.35 @ 1.45; laud and hoop iron, \$1.65 @ \$1.75.

Sheet Steel—12-gauge, \$2.25 per 100 lbs; 16-gauge, \$2.40; 18 @ 20, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 22 @ 24, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 26, \$2.35 @ 2.45; 28, \$2.45 @ 2.55.

Galvanized Iron—16-gauge, \$3.75; 18 @ 24, \$4.00; 20, \$4.25 and 28 at \$4.50.

Lead—Pig, 4c; sheet, 4½c @ 4½c per lb; pipe, ordinary, 7c; composition waste, 7½c with dis. 25 per cent.

Black Iron—10 @ 12 gauge, \$2.25 @ 2.40 per 100 lbs; 14 @ 16 gauge, \$2.30 @ 2.70; 18 @ 20 gauge, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 22 @ 24 gauge, \$2.25 @ 2.35; 26-gauge, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 28-gauge, \$2.45 @ 2.55.

Coil Chain—½ in., \$4.65; 5-16 in., \$3.75; ¾ in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; 1 in., \$3.10; 1½ in., \$2.80; ¾ in., \$2.75.

Sheet Zinc—7½ @ 7½c per lb.

Sheet Copper—16 oz., 16c, and 14 oz., 17c; tinned copper, 16 oz., 18c; 14 oz., 18½c; and planished 14 oz., 24c.

Ingot Copper—15 @ 15½c per lb.

Ingot Tin—19½ @ 20c.

Solder—Half and half, 15½ @ 16c; refined; 14 @ 14½c.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.25; all-bright \$2.85 @ 3.00 per box.

Tin Plates—Prices unchanged at \$4.75 @ \$5.00 for I.C., \$6.00 @ \$6.25 for I.X. and \$7.25 to \$7.50 for I.X.X.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., ½ to ¾ inch, \$2.30 @ \$2.40; ¾ inch, \$2.30 @ 2.35; 1 inch, \$2.80 @ 2.85; 1 in, \$3.90 @ 3.95; 1½ in, \$5.14 @ 5.20; 1½ inch, \$6.75 @ 6.80; 2 in, \$9.10; Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.95; ¾ inch, \$4.80; 1 inch, \$6.75; 1½ inch, \$9.15; 1½ inch, \$11.75; 2 inch, \$16.00.

Barb Wire—f. o. b. Toronto, 4 point, \$2.00; 2 point, \$2.05; safety, \$2.10; plain twist, \$2.05; staples, \$2.25 for galvanized and \$2.00 for bright.

Fence Wire—No. 9 galvanized fencing, \$1.75 @ \$1.80; No. 12, \$1.90; No. 13, \$2.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.90.

Cut Nails—\$1.75 base price, with 5c keg, Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

Horse Nails—Discount on regular brands, 50 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron, light and medium pattern, \$3.25 per keg, Toronto and Hamilton.

Screws—Flat head bright, 87½ per cent; round head bright, 80 per cent; flat head brass, 82½ per cent; round head brass, 75 per cent.

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, ½ @ 5-16, 70 per cent; tire bolts, 70 and 5; machine bolts, 60 and 10; blank bolts, 60 per cent; sleigh shoe bolts, 80 per cent; plough bolts, 60; stove bolts, 70 and 5; nuts, square, 4½c; hexagon, 5½c.

Rivets—Iron, 60 per cent; copper rivets, 45 per cent.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.80, and in 100-foot boxes, \$3.50; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$5.50. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 9½c; ¾ in., 10c; ½ and 5-16 in., 10½c. Manilla, 7-16 and larger, 10c; ¾, 10½c; ½ and 5-16, 11c.

Linseed Oil—Raw, 49c; boiled, 52c; 5 to 9 barrels 1c less, 10 to 19, 2c less; net cash, or 2c added for 4 months.

Turpentine—1 to 4 barrels, 65c; 2 to 4 barrel lots, 1c less, net cash.

White Lead—Best brands, Government standard, \$5.02½; No. 1, \$5.25; No. 2, \$4.87½; No. 3, \$4.50.

Dry White Lead—\$4.75 in casks; kegs, \$5.00.

Red Lead—Casks, 4½c; kegs, 4½c; No. 1, casks, 4½c; kegs, 4½c.

White Zinc Paint—Pure, 8c; No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5c.

Putty—We quote: Bulk, \$1.65; bladders, in barrels, \$1.80; bladders, in cases, \$1.95; in tins, \$2.05 @ \$2.80.

Mixed Paints—Steady, \$1.00 @ \$1.20 per gallon.

Naval Stores—Resins, \$2.75 @ \$4.50 as to brand; coal tar, \$3.00 @ \$3.50; cotton waste, 4½ @ 5c for colored and 6 @ 7½c for white; oakum, 5½ @ 6½c, and cotton oakum 9 @ 11c.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, January 21.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4.55c; yellows, \$3.93 @ 4.42.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 30c @ 32c; special bright, 35c @ 42c. Molasses—West Indian, 32c @ 45c; New Orleans, 26 @ 30c; for medium and 35c @ 47c for bright.

Teas—Japans, low grade, 16c @ 20c per lb; Young Hysons, seconds 16c @ 19c; firsts, 25 @ 45c; Indian, 18 @ 50c; Congous, low grades, 10c @ 15c; mediums, 22 @ 25c; and fines, 40c @ 55c; Ceylons, 17 @ 25c; Formosa Oolongs, 25 @ 65c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 8 @ 12c; Mocha, 23c @ 28c; Java, 30c @ 32c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, 85 @ 90c; peas, 75c @ \$1; sifted peas, \$1.05 @ 1.20; corn, 95c @ \$1; beans, 80 @ 90c; pumpkins, 70 @ 75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.80; raspberries, 2's, \$1.60 @ 1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.65 @ 1.65; 3's, \$2.50 @ 2.65. Cohoe salmon, \$1.15 @ 1.20; sock-eyes, \$1.35 @ 1.60; lobsters, halves, \$1.75 @ 1.80; tail lbs, \$2.80; flats, \$3.10.

Nuts—Filberts, Sicily, 9c @ 10c; Bordeaux Walnuts, 10½ @ 11c; Grenoble Walnuts, 12½ @ 13c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 3½ @ 4c; do. Patna, 5½ @ 6c; do. Japan, 6 @ 6½c.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk 4½c; fine off-stalk, 4½ @ 5c; selected, 5½ @ 5½c; layers, 6 @ 6½c; Provincial, currants 4½ @ 4½c; Filiatras, 4½ @ 5½c; Patras, 6c; Vostizas, 6½ @ 7½c. California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 17 @ 20c; pears, 9c @ 10c; prunes, 70's to 80's 7½ @ 7½c; 80's to 90's 6½ @ 7c; 90's to 100's, 5½ @ 6c. Bosnia prunes, 5½ @ 6½c; Sultanas, 11c @ 13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @ 13c per lb; citron, 17c @ 20c; lemon 10½c @ 13c. Hallowee dates, 6 @ 6½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.75 @ 1.90 per box; black baskets, \$2.40; blue baskets, \$2.50; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats—London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters \$1.25.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 25c; Cochlin 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15 @ 18c; Amboyna, 18 @ 25c; allspice, 20c; nutmegs, 50c @ \$1; cream tartar, pure, 25 @ 28c, and 18 @ 25c for compound.

PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$14.50 for Canada mess short cut, \$15.00; clear mess, \$14.00.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7c, ton and case lots, 7½c.

Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 10½c; hams, large, 9½c; medium, 10c; rolls, 8½c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tubs, 6½ @ 7c

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New York Wheat.

New York, Jan. 16.—Wheat: Receipts 191,000 bushels; exports 208,605 bushels. Options opened firmer on cables and small Russian shipments. The dull trade, however, prompted realizing and a subsequent decline took place, with the visible supply increase, small clearances and light export trade additional points of weakness. Near the close prices rallied on covering and left off firm at 3-8c to 1-2c net advance. March 78 3-4 to 79c, closed 78 7-8; May 75 1-4 to 75 7-8, closed 75 5-8c.

New York, Jan. 17.—Wheat receipts, 331,200 bushels; exports, 181,383 bus. Options opened weak and continued so practically all day. Bulls had little news to work on, and in the afternoon unloaded considerable wheat, causing a sharp break. The correction in Russian shipments was the chief bear point, supplemented by snow in the west, lower cables and small clearances. Closed barely steady at 7-8c net decline. March 77 7-8c to 78 1-4c, closed 78c; May, 74 1-2c to 75 3-16c, closed 74 3-4c; July closed 73 1-4c.

New York, Jan. 18.—Wheat receipts, 183,200 bushels; exports, 47,411 bushels. Options opened weak in response to lower cables, but quickly disclosed signs of a rallying spirit. Scalpers found little success in fighting the advance, and near the close turned vigorous buyers on large clearances, export development and steadier late English cables, closing our market firm at the top, and 1-4c to 3-8c above last night. No. 2, red, March, 78 to 78 1-4c, closed 78 1-4c; May, 74 3-8c to 75 1-4c, closed 75 1-8c.

New York, Jan. 19.—Wheat — Receipts, 159,200 bu; exports, 122,778 bu. Options opened firm and experienced a sharp rise, in which sentiment, inspired from Wall street, played an important part. Later, when realizing developed, prices quickly gave way and closed unsettled at 1-8 net decline. Foreign news was unsatisfactory and foreign houses sold wheat, while export trade and clearances were both moderate. March, 78 1-8 to 78 5-16, closed 78 1-8; May, 74 15-16 to 75 1-2, closed 75.

New York, Jan. 20.—Wheat — Receipts, 192,000 bushels; exports, 56,381 bushels. Options exceedingly dull all day. Scalpers while bullish inclined, hesitated in view of weakness abroad, foreign selling and lack of outside trade, to afford vigorous support. Clearances were large and there was a moderate export trade again near the close, covering orders, produced a better feeling and final prices were unchanged to 1-4 lower with undertone firm. March, 77 7-8 to 78, closed 77 7-8; May, 74 9-16 to 75, closed 74 7-8.

New York, Jan. 21.—Wheat closed to-day as follows: March delivery, 77 3-4c; May, 74 3-4c.

Exports from Atlantic ports this week, 5,198,000 bushels.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

Prices are quoted per bushel of 60 pounds for wheat, bushel of 56 pounds of corn, bushel of 32 pounds of oats, per barrel of mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Wheat, May opened 71 1-2c, closed 71 1-4 to 3-8c. July opened 69 3-8c, closed 69 1-4c a. Corn, Jan. 34 7-8c n. May opened 37 1-4c, closed 37 1-8 to 1-4c a. July opened 37 1-2c, closed 37 1-2c. Oats, Jan. 26 1-2c n. May opened 28c, closed 27 3-4 to 7-8c. July opened 26 3-8c, closed 26 3-8c l. Ribs, Jan. opened \$1.20 a. May opened \$3.07 to \$3.10, closed \$3.03 to \$3.07. Pork, Jan. \$9.95 a, May opened

\$10.20, closed \$10.17. Lard, Jan. \$5.55. May opened \$5.75, closed \$5.77 a.

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Wheat, May opened 70 3-4c, closed 70 3-8c b. July opened 68 3-8c, closed 68 3-8c n. Corn, Jan. 34 3-8c. May opened 36 7-8c, closed 36 5-8 to 3-4c n. Oats, Jan. 26 1-8c n. May opened 27 5-8c, closed 27 3-8c. July opened 26 1-4 to 3-8c, closed 26 to 1-8c.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—Wheat, May opened 70 1-8c, closed 70 7-8c b. July opened 68 1-8c, closed 68 7-8c. Corn, Jan. 34 5-8c n. May opened 36 5-8c, closed 36 7-8c. July opened 37c, closed 37 1-4c. Oats, Jan. 26 1-4c n. May opened 27 1-4c, closed 27 1-2 to 5-8c. July opened 26c, closed 26 1-8c b. Ribs, Jan. \$4.75 n. May opened \$5.02, closed \$5.05. Pork, Jan. \$9.87, May opened \$10.07, closed \$10.12. Lard, Jan. \$5.52 n. May opened \$5.70, closed \$5.75 b.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Wheat, May opened 70 5-8c, closed 70 1-2 to 5-8c b. July opened 68 5-8c, closed 68 5-8c n. Corn, Jan. 34 3-4c n. May opened 36 7-8c, closed 36 7-8 a. Oats, Jan. 26 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 37 1-4c b. Oats, Jan. 26 3-8c n. May opened 27 3-8c, closed 27 5-8c a. July opened 26 1-8c, closed 26 1-8c. Ribs, Jan. \$4.75 n. May opened \$5.05, closed \$5.05 to \$5.07. Pork, Jan. \$9.87 n. May opened \$10.12, closed \$10.12. Lard, Jan. \$5.55 n. May opened \$5.77, closed \$5.77.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—Wheat, May opened 70 5-8c, closed 70 1-2 to 5-8c. July opened 68 1-2c, closed 68 1-2c. Corn, Jan. 34 3-4c n. May opened 37 to 1-8c, closed 37c a. July opened 37 1-4c, closed 37 1-4c b. Oats, Jan. 26 3-8c. May opened 27 5-8c, closed 27 1-2 to 5-8c. July opened 26 1-4c, closed 26 1-8 to 1-4c.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Wheat opened at 70 5-8c for May, and ranged from 70 1-2 to 70 3-4. Closing prices were: Wheat—May 70 3-4c, July 68 5-8c. Corn—Jan., 34 3-4c, May 37c. Oats—Jan. 26 3-8c, May 27 5-8c. Pork—Jan. \$10, May \$10.22 1-2c. Lard—Jan. \$5.60, May \$5.82 1-2. Ribs—Jan. \$1.90, May \$5.12 1-2. A week ago May option closed at 71 1-8c. A year ago May wheat closed at 52c, two years ago at 50 1-8c, three years ago at 65 5-8c; four years ago at 53c.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—Jan. 67 3-8c, May 70 1-8c.
Tuesday—Jan. 68 3-4c, May 69 1-2c.
Wednesday—Jan. —, May 69 7-8c.
Thursday—Jan. —, May 70c.
Friday—Cash 67c, May 69 3-4c.
Saturday—May, 69 3-4c; July, 70 3-8c.

Cash, No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 70 1-4c and cash No. 1 northern at 67c.

A week ago May wheat closed at 70c.

A year ago May wheat closed at 91 1-2c, two years ago May option closed at 80c; three years ago at 68c, four years ago at 57c, and five years ago at 62 3-4c.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Jan. 21. — Wheat closed 1-8d higher.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Saturday, Jan. 21.—No. 1 northern wheat closed to-day at 68c for January, and 68 1-4c for May; cash, No. 1 northern 68 1-8c; cash No. 2 northern 66 1-8c.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—Flax seed closed today at \$1.18 for cash, and May \$1.17 1-2.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

No. 1 hard wheat closed to-day at 68c for January delivery at Fort William. Market dull and unchanged.

FORT WILLIAM WHEAT STOCKS.

There were 1,94,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on Jan. 14, an increase of about 90,000 bushels from the previous weekly statement.

LONDON CATTLE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial. London, Jan. 20.—Cattle firm at 11 1-2 to 12 3-4c estimated dressed weight.

SUGAR.

Special to The Commercial. London, Jan. 20.—Market dull. Beet, January option 9s 11-2d, February 9s 21-4d. This shows a decline of 3 1-2 to 4d on the week.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Jan. 20.—Wheat, spot, easy; No. 2 red western winter 6s 2d. Wheat—Spot No. 2 red western winter dull at 6s 2d; No. 1 red northern spring dull at 6s.

LONDON MONEY.

London, Jan. 20.—Consols for money 111 2-15; do. for the account 111 1-4; bar silver 27 1-2d. The rate of discount in the open market for short and three months bills 1 7-8 to 2 per cent.

NEW YORK MONEY.

New York, Jan. 20.—Money on call 2 1-2 to 3 per cent; last loan 3 per cent prime mercantile paper 2 3-4 to 3 1-4 per cent; sterling exchange steady at \$1.81 3-4 to \$1.82 for demand, and \$1.82 to \$1.83 for sixty days; posted rates \$1.83 1-2 to \$1.85 1-2, commercial bills \$1.81 1-2 to \$1.82; silver certificates 59 1-2 to 60 1-2; bar silver 59 5-8; Mexican dollars 47 1-8 government bonds firmer.

DAMP WHEAT.

Many farmers who have damp wheat may not be aware of the fact, as in cold weather it is difficult to detect the excess of moisture. Wherever there is any suspicion of dampness about the grain, it should be examined at once, as assuredly all damp wheat will spoil as soon as warm weather sets in. Every farmer throughout the country should be made aware of this fact, so that they could sell or have their grain dried before spring. Damp wheat will spoil very quickly. Two or three warm days will be sufficient to render it unmerchantable. It cannot be shipped after the weather becomes warm, as it would become heated in the cars in a very short time. Damp oats will also spoil. Farmers are not necessarily obliged to sell their damp wheat. They can ship it to a drying elevator and have it dried, after which they can hold it in store for future sale. The point to be remembered is, that unless the grain is dried now, it will become a total loss as soon as we have a warm spell of weather.

London, Jan. 20.—Owing to short supplies of cattle, there was a stronger feeling in the market, and prices show an advance of fully 3-4c per pound since this day week. Choice States cattle sold at 13c; Argentines at 11 3-4c. Sheep were weak at 10 1-2c.

Liverpool, Jan. 16.—Supplies of cattle were full, but as the demand was active, prices ruled higher. Choice States cattle sold at 12 1-2c; Argentine at 11 1-2c.

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Jan. 21.

Dry Goods—This has been the most active week since the first of the year. Spring business is in large volume. Values are very firm. Canadian colored cotton mills have advanced prices on flannelettes, gingham, and hirtlings 12 1/2 per cent. Dyed cotton goods and probably linings are likely to be advanced next.

Hardware—A good many orders are being booked. Values are firm. The feature of the market is the strength in wire goods. Wire nails are higher at \$1.90. Wood screws have been advanced 1/4 per cent. Bright, oiled and annealed wire has been advanced. Manufacturers have discontinued delivery terms. Discount here is now 2 1/2 per cent. No. 9 fencing \$1.70 to \$1.80. Brass and copper wire prices are 15 per cent higher. Rope is 1-2 lower. Ingot copper 1-2c higher. Solder 1c higher. Lard oil 1c lower. Canadian makers of iron pipe have with drawn prices.

Groceries are active and generally firm. Sugar steadier. Teas active and firmer in sympathy with primary markets. Canned goods in demand for British Columbia. Currants firmer. Canned tomatoes firmer at 90c and a few offering at 85c. Canned corn is stronger, a few jobbers will sell at 85c, but some ask \$1.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Jan. 21.

Grain deliveries light. Export demand very limited. Manitoba wheat, however, has been held at an advance of 1-2 to 1c. Oats are 1-2c lower. Dressed hogs have dropped 20c per 100 pounds for car lots to \$5. Butter is easier. Poultry is higher, the top price being for unfrozen stock. Chickens are bringing high prices.

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$4.15. Manitoba bakers, \$3.90. Ontario straight roller \$3.25 per barrel Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat 69c to 70c for cars at country points. No. 1 hard, \$2 to \$2 1-2c. Toronto and west.

Oats—White, 28 to 28 1-2c for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 46 to 47c at country points for car lots.

Milfeed.—S. 16, \$12.50 to \$15 per ton at country points. Bran \$12 to \$12.50 per ton.

Oatmeal—\$3.30 in bags per barrel and \$3.50 in wood for car lots.

Eggs—Fresh, 17 to 18c; new laid, 22c; lined, 16c.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 11 to 13c for choice fresh goods, creamery, tubs, 19 to 20c.

Hides—No. 1 green, \$1.2c; cured, 9 1-4c. sheepskins and lambskins, 80 to 90c; calfskins, 8 to 10c; tallow, 3 1-2c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 14 to 15c.

Beans—\$1 to \$1.10 per bushel for hand picked and 80 to 95c for common lots.

Dressed hogs—\$5.00 per 100 pounds for car lots of mixed weights.

Dried apples—5 to 5 1-2c for round lots; evaporated, 8 1-2 to 9c.

Honey—6 to 7c in bulk.

Poultry—Turkeys, 7 to 10c; chickens, 35 to 75c a pair; geese, 6 to 7c.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Jan. 17.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were heavy, particularly of hogs. Choice export cattle sold at an

advance of 1-4c, ranging at \$4.40 to \$4.80 per 100 lbs. Butchers' cattle steady at 3 1-2 to 4c per lb. Export bulls 3 1-2 to 4c, light bulls 2 1-4 to 3c. Stockers and feeders advanced 10c per 100 lbs, heavy stockers selling at 3 to 3 1-2c, and feeders at 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c. Export sheep 3 to 3 1-4c, bucks 2 1-2 to 2 3-4c, lambs 4 1-4 to 4 3-8c. Hogs unchanged. Choice bacon sold at \$1.62 1-2 per 100 lbs. Light \$4.25 per 100 lbs. Thick fat were in liberal supply and brought steady prices at 3 1-2c. Sows were steady at \$3 to \$3.25 per 100 lbs.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 20.

Receipts of live stocks at the market to-day were 81 car loads of all kinds, including 125 sheep and lambs and 3,000 hogs.

Export cattle were steady at Tuesday's prices. Butchers' cattle were easier at 3 1-2 to 4c, only a few touching the top price. Stockers were 10c per 100 lbs. higher, on increased demand for shipment to Buffalo. Hogs were steady at Tuesday's prices, with rather an easier tendency.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 21.

The hardware market is very firm. Tin plates, cokes, have advanced 10c. Canada plates have advanced 5 to 10 cents. Ingot tin is 4c higher. Linseed oil is very firm and higher prices are looked for. Turpentine is firm. A heavy advance in ingot tin is cabled from London. Prices are:

White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 4 1-2c; linseed oil, raw, 49 to 50c; boiled 52 to 53c; turpentine 64 to 65c; bar iron \$1.40 to \$1.50; tin plates, cokes, \$2.85 to \$3; I. C. charcoal \$3.25 to \$3.75; Canada plates, \$2.15 to \$2.25; tern plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25; galvanized iron 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c; lead, \$3.75 to \$4; iron pipe 4 to 4 1-4c; putty in bulk, \$1.65; in bladders, \$1.80; ingot tin, 24c; cement, English brands, \$3.30 to \$3.40. Germany, \$2.45 to \$2.55, and Belgium \$1.85 to \$1.95 per barrel, ex-wharf. Rope, sisal 10 to 10 1-2c; Manila, 11 1-2 to 12 1-2c for 7-16 size and larger.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 17.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End Abattoir yesterday were 500 head, and 250 sheep and lambs.

There was a good demand and a fairly firm market for cattle, but no demand for stockers. Choice cattle sold at 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c, and a few selected touched 4 7-8c. Good brought 4 to 4 1-4c; fair, 3 1-4 to 3 3-4c; common, 2 1-2 to 3c, and inferior as low as 2c.

The supply of sheep was very small, there being only 25 offered. These met with a ready demand at 3c. The 200 lambs offered sold readily at 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c. At the Grand Trunk stock yards there were 300 hogs offered. Prices were firm at \$4.25 to \$1.50 per 100 lbs., fed.

At the Canadian Pacific stock yards there were 100 live hogs offered, which sold at \$4.40 per 100 lbs., off cars.

THURSDAY'S MARKET.

Montreal, Jan. 20.

Cattle—At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts of cattle were 500, sheep and lambs 100 head. Cattle

were easier, owing to larger receipts. The best fat cattle sold at 4 1-2c, and good cattle ranged from 3 3-4 to 1c, common selling at 3 to 3 1-2c. Lambs sold at 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c. Hogs quoted at 4 1-4 to 4 1-2c. Hardly any sheep offered.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 21.

Oats are dull. Flour quiet. Feed strong. Hides firm. Eggs firm and active. Butter is dull and easier. Fresh dairy tubs are 1c lower. Hogs are also selling at a lower range, and creamery is 1-4 to 1-2c lower. Cheese is dull. Eastern cheese 1-4c lower. Beans are held 5 to 10c higher. Potatoes higher. Poultry is in good demand still and higher. Turkeys 1c higher. Ducks and chickens are also up 1c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 32 to 32 1-2c in store.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are. Manitoba strong bakers, \$1; Manitoba patents, \$4.10 to \$4.20.

Milfeed—Bran \$14 to \$14.50 per ton, shorts \$16, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.75 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8c to 9c; sheepskins, 40 to 50c; lambskins, 70c; tallow, 3 1-2 to 4c.

Eggs—Fresh laid, 25 to 30 per dozen; candled stock, 17c per dozen.

Butter—Choice, fresh dairy, 15 to 16c rolls; 13 to 15; held stock, 13 to 14c.

Butter—Creamery, boxes, 20c; tubs, 19 to 19 1-2c.

Cheese—Choice western, 10 1-4c; eastern, 10c.

Beans—\$1.00 to \$1.10 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—In car lots, 57 1-2c.

Poultry—Dressed turkeys, 9 to 10 1-2c; ducks, 7 to 9c; geese, 5 to 6 1-2c; chickens, 7 to 8c.

Dressed meats—Western, fresh dressed beef, hinds, 5 to 7c; fores, 3 to 5c. Choice abattoir hogs sold at \$6 country dressed, \$5.30 to \$5.50 per 100 pounds. Mutton, 5 1-2c, lamb, 6 1-2 to 7c.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Jan. 21.

The market is steady and without any change in prices except the decline of 5c per 100 lbs on granulated sugar which went into effect early in the week owing to cutting in prices in the United States. Quotations are as follows:

Granulated sugar lower at \$1.30 per 100 lbs. at refineries; yellows \$3.75 to \$1.25; molasses 31c in car lots, syrups 2 to 2 1-2c as to quality layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8c to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B, 3 3-4 to 4c.

CHEESE MARKETS.

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Liverpool, Jan. 20. — Cheese white, 49s; colored, 49s. This is a decline of 1s compared with a week ago.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Jan. 20.—Cattle higher. Quoted at 11 1-2 to 12 1-4c, estimated dressed weight.

Mrs. J. Playfair, furniture and lumber, Windsor, Man., has admitted John A. Playfair as partner.