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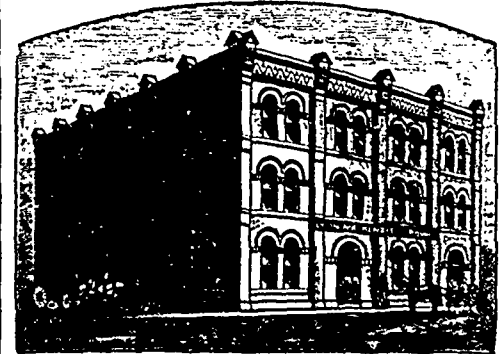
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WINNIPEG, JULY 13, 1891

Manitoba.

Wm. H. Nesbitt, general store, Roland, has sold out to Hood & Cooper.

H. Ripstein & Co., Winnipeg, have opened a branch store in Rat Portage.

J. W. Langman, general merchant, Portage la Prairie, has made an assignment.

T. W. Sapwell is opening in the hardware business at Boissvain and is putting in a large stock.

J. T. Wilson has purchased the grocery stock of James Mullen, Winnipeg, at a rate on the dollar.

John Jones, of T & J. Jones, butchers, Virden, is dead, from the effect of the bursting of a blood vessel.

The inland revenue receipts at the Winnipeg office for the month of June were \$32,940, and a year ago, \$30,214.

John McLeod Holiday, & Bro., commission merchants, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership; Andrew Holiday retires.

J. J. Richardson will establish a new hotel at Neepawa. The building will be of brick 30x70, three stories above ground and a basement the full size of the building, with thirty bedrooms.

Mr. Shallow, publisher of *Le Moniteur du Commerce*, Montreal, paid *THE COMMERCIAL* a brief visit one day last week. He was en route home from a western trip, as far as the Pacific coast.

Wild strawberries are so plentiful this year at Morden, says the *Monitor*, that two little girls picked a gallon each in about one hour on Monday evening last. The bluffs and low-lying places are full of them.

The libel suit of Martin vs Free Press, which has occupied the attention of the public for so long, was concluded last Wednesday, when the jury returned a unanimous verdict for the defendants, the Free Press Co.

For the month ending June 30, the transactions at the Dominion Government Savings bank in Winnipeg were: Deposits, \$19,493; withdrawals, \$23,027.54; withdrawals exceed deposits by \$3,624.54; balance due depositors on 30th June, 1891, \$753,999.12.

Porter & Ronald, crockery, etc., Winnipeg, purpose building two solid brick wholesale warehouses fronting on Arthur and King streets. Each warehouse will be 33x99, three storeys in height, with cellar full size. They will lease one and occupy the other for their wholesale department.

The electric light will be fully established in Morden by the 1st of September, says the *Monitor*. Contracts have been signed for power with Garrett & Mennie, and the local Electric Light company, formed some time ago in the town, have given their consent and approval to the new firm to go ahead.

The demand for good lands in this vicinity continues to increase, says the *Neepawa Register*, and prices are continually going up. A few days ago John Bolton, of Rosedale, refused \$3,500 for a quarter section with small improvements, and we hear that David and J. Munroe decline a \$6,000 for their half section.

The value of goods exported, imported, and entered for consumption, with duty collected thereon, at the port of Winnipeg during June, 1891, was: Exported, \$40,865; imported—dutiable, \$194,095; imported—free, \$31,272; total imported, \$225,367; entered for consumption—dutiable, \$199,296; entered for consumption—free, \$31,272; total for consumption, \$230,568; duty collected, \$69,160.92.

Geo. H. Rogers, general merchant, Winnipeg and Manitoba points, who recently advertised his stocks for sale by tender, did not receive any tenders for the stocks. He has now decided to concentrate his business by closing the branch at Morden, where a heavy stock is carried. The Morden store will be closed for business on Saturday, July 13, and the stock will be packed up and moved to Winnipeg.

President John Burns, Vice-President R. J. Orr, Secretary James Sargent, Vice-President W. G. Reid and Director H. G. Wright, of the Toronto Commercial Travellers Association, were in Winnipeg last week. Secretary Sargent stated that the object of the visit was to endeavor to amalgamate the Toronto and Winnipeg associations. The visitors were royally entertained by the local travellers. They were driven about and dined at Clougher's.

The Brandon board of trade held their regular quarterly meeting on July 7th. The secretary was instructed to request the railway companies to give members of farmers' institutes in the province, and also of municipal councils, an opportunity of visiting the Experimental farm at reduced rates during this month. Mr. Bedford stated at the meeting from observations at the Experimental farm that the growth of grain in general was two and three days ahead of last year at this time.

Latimer & Co., Winnipeg have issued an attractive and convenient map of the city. The map shows the site of the exhibition grounds

the electric railway and location of public buildings, hotels and other new points. The feature of the map is the naming of the streets, as renamed by the city council, with a complete list of new, old and unaltered street names. The map includes in its boundaries Fraser's grove to the north, Elm park to the south, takes in the town of St Bonifacio to the east and extends to the extreme western limits of the city.

Two new eastern houses have recently commenced to do business in Winnipeg. W. Greig & Bro. having received the agencies of Warden King & Son, Montreal, and the Toronto Radiator Company, of Toronto. The former firm is engaged in the manufacture of the Spence hot water heaters. The Toronto Company manufactures the Safford radiators, for steam, hot water, etc. W. Greig & Bro. will carry a stock of both the heaters and radiators at their Winnipeg warehouse.

The Canadian Pacific railway has agreed to carry exports to and from the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition absolutely free of charge each way, providing exhibits have not changed ownership. Passengers will be carried to and from Winnipeg at a single fare from all points from which the single fare does not exceed \$4, and from other points the fare will be arrived at by adding two cents per mile one way to the \$4 rate. This is a most generous action on the part of the railway company, which will be duly appreciated. The Manitoba & Northwestern will give the same terms as the C. P. R.

The shipment of cattle to England continues. Alexander Brown and J. Wake, of Minnedosa, went east last week, Mr. Brown having ten cars of fine cattle and Mr. Wake four cars. One hundred and sixty of the animals will be shipped over the ocean, the balance being butchers' cattle for the Montreal market. Mr. Brown's cattle were purchased from the Castleavery, Yorkton and adjacent districts. He is loud in his praises of the animals bought from the Castleavery farmers, and says they are the cream of the whole shipment. Sixty head were purchased from Castleavery, at an average price of \$39, and an estimated average weight of 1,300 pounds.

Alberta.

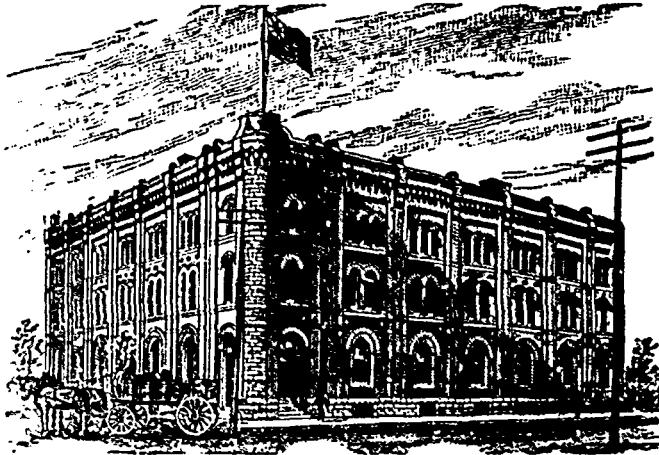
J. W. Creagh, of Calgary, has received the appointment of general agent for the territories of the Federal Life Insurance Company.

The Commercial hotel, Macleod, was totally destroyed by fire on July 2. Murphy, the lessee of the building, had a narrow escape from cremation, with his wife. The contents were all consumed. The building was owned by C. Smith, of Compton, Que., and was partially insured.

Saskatchewan.

Chas. Adams, of Red Deer Hill, near Prince Albert, brought into the *Saskatchewan* office a sample of barley, pulled on the 24th of June. Some stalks measured 30 inches. It was all headed out and in bloom.

Fenwick who has been here for some time purchasing cattle at Prince Albert, says the *Saskatchewan*, left by trail for Qu'Appelle on the 26th, taking with him some 250 head of cattle which he intends shipping to Europe.

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A special meeting of the directors of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company and of the Manufacturers' Accident Insurance Company was held in board room of the companies, Toronto, on June 22, for the purpose of electing a president in the room of the Right Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald. After the secretary had read the notice calling the meeting, the following resolution, moved by George Gooderham, and seconded by James Mills, Guelph, was read: Whereas an allwise Providence has seen fit to remove by death our esteemed president, the Right Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald, Resolved: That the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company and the Manufacturers' Accident Insurance Company express and place upon record their sense of deepest sorrow at his loss, and their sincere sympathy with Lady Macdonald in her great affliction.

Resolved That a page of the minute books of these companies be devoted to an inscription of the name of our deceased Premier and President, with the dates of his birth and death.

It was then moved by C. D. Warren, and seconded by H. Loundes, that George Gooderham be elected President of the Manufacturer's Life Insurance Company for the remainder of the year. The motion was carried unanimously. M. Gooderham accepted the position, pledging

himself to use his efforts to place the Manufacturers' in the first rank of Canadian life companies.

Dry Goods at Toronto.

July is looked upon in the wholesale dry goods trade as the opening month for heavy goods. Manufacturers of woolen goods are now delivering their productions to the jobbing trade, and the wholesale houses are busy preparing to ship the goods ordered during the past two months, most of which, we exceedingly regret to say, are being dated the first of October. We have constantly raised a warning voice against this pernicious practice, for in many cases the retail merchant receiving these goods will have failed and assigned before they are even dated. The general outlook for all business has improved considerably during the past three weeks, but there is still every reason for great caution. The reports from different parts of Canada all indicate that a fair trade is being done up to the present time. Stocks on the retail shelves are not all as heavy as heretofore, and the thinning out by failure and otherwise of the wholesale ranks must place general trade upon a better paying basis for the future. Prices in staple cotton and woolen goods may be reported as firmer, although the upward tendency has been somewhat checked. —Empire.

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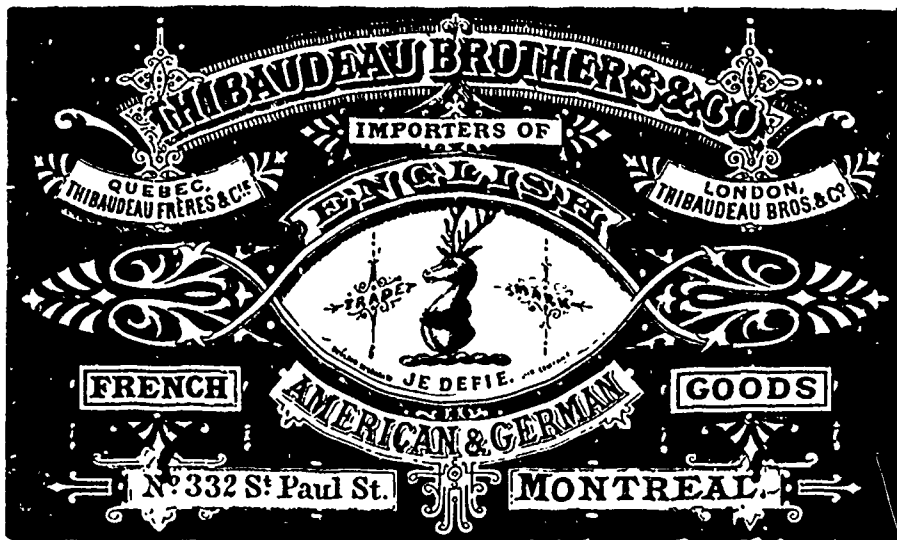
Saskatchewan Crop.

A gentleman arrived in Winnipeg from Prince Albert last week with a number of very fine samples of grain in the straw, which he brought along to show the condition of the crops in the Prince Albert district this year. The samples consisted of wheat, oats and barley, and several of them were over three feet in length, above ground, and well headed. The samples were equal to any shown in Winnipeg this year, and they indicate that vegetation is as far advanced in the Prince Albert district as in the best parts of Manitoba. Saskatchewan territory will doubtless return a "bumper" crop this year.

The Canadian Pacific steamship Empress of China is due to leave on the 15th of July next, being the third vessel of this line conveying around the world passengers.

A London cable says: "In the House of Commons to-day Chancellor Goschen said that the government was willing to advance £50,000 to promote immigration from the Scottish Highlands to British Columbia.

The bill introduced into Parliament by Dr. Sproule for the regulation of commercial agencies is causing a great deal of talk in business circles. It is said that in the commercial agencies there is opposition to the clause which forbids agencies to report on merchants without the latter's permission. On the part of one agency at least, there will be determined opposition to the bill. It is understood Dr. Sproule does not expect the bill to pass this session. He wants the principle of the bill discussed and a special committee appointed to investigate the workings of commercial agencies. It is understood also that he objects to commercial agencies not paying some of their correspondents as he claims that unpaid correspondents will make careless reports,



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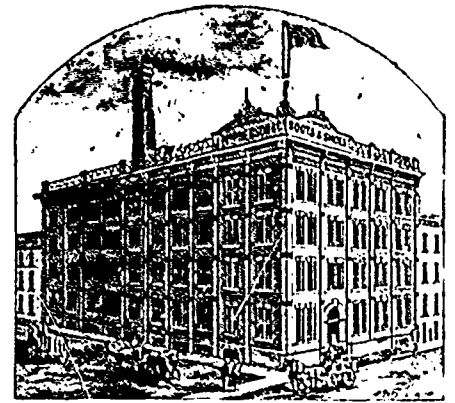
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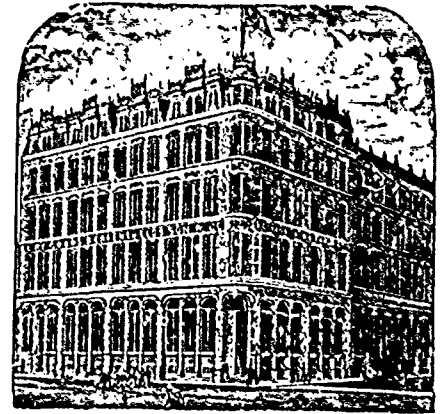
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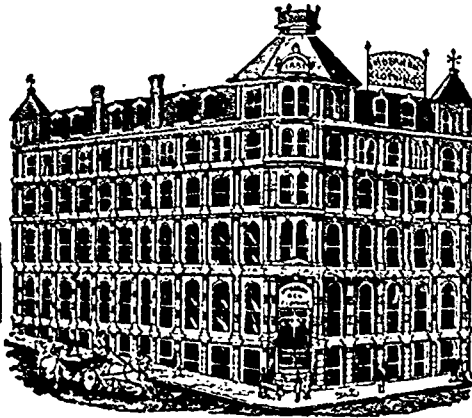
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SUGAR IN THE UNITED STATES.

In view of the sugar situation in Canada, it will be interesting to know how the sugar trade is handled in the United States. This is outlined in a late issue of *Bradstreet's*. An agreement exists between the refiners and jobbers, in regard to sugar, which is mutually beneficial to each. Under the new sugar duties, German sugar could be laid down in the United States to compete to some extent with the home product. The refiners, of course, desired to come to some terms with jobbers, to induce them to refrain from handling the foreign article. On the other hand the jobbers and wholesale dealers wished to control the sale of sugar to the retail trade on a more extensive scale than they have in the past. The requirements of the refiners and the jobbers thus brought the two sections together to negotiate for an arrangement which would be mutually beneficial. The refiners have agreed to sell sugar in quantities not less than 100 barrels, instead of in minimum quantities of twenty barrels as heretofore. The jobbers on their part, reduce their profit from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ cent per pound, thus causing a larger consumption of sugar, to the benefit of the refiners, and also lessening the possibility of foreign importations. This combination (which it may be termed to some extent) has the effect of reducing the price of sugar to the consumer, and to this extent it differs from the popular notion of trade combinations in general. Speaking of this arrangement, *Bradstreet's* says:—

"This will undoubtedly prove of great advantage to both parties. Refiners have found it very expensive for them to distribute sugar in such small lots. The tendency has been to increase these small orders, as the retailers have come more and more to buy direct from the refiners rather than of wholesalers. This trade, which the jobbers have been losing steadily for over a year, will now come back to them. Although they cut down their present profits from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ cent per pound, they will, it is thought, more than regain this through larger sales. It has been found that consumption increases in a ratio almost proportionate with the decline in the price of sugar. Hence the aggregate profit to dealers is about the same on a small margin as on a larger."

There is another point in the agreement worthy of notice. While jobbers have agreed to a maximum profit, they are also bound not to sell under the prescribed prices. This secures a uniform schedule of prices to the retail trade, and will also operate to prevent frequent fluctuations in values. Jobbers are also bound by the agreement not to sell sugars on longer time than thirty days, and with not more than one-half of one per cent. discount for cash within ten days. The refiners allow jobbers one per cent. for cash in seven days and one per cent. trade discount on 100 barrel lots. Jobbers who sign the wholesale grocers' association agreement as to prices and terms, also get a rebate of $\frac{1}{2}$ cent per pound from the refiners. This agreement applies to the sugar trust. There are refiners out of the trust, but their

output is insignificant in comparison with the trust refineries, and their products are selling for 1-16 cent above the lowest prices at which wholesale grocers and dealers can obtain their sugar from the trust.

MUNICIPAL BONUSES.

The system of municipal bonuses is an evil which this journal has spoken strongly against. This is true of the bonus system generally, but it is especially true in the case of bonuses to railways. THE COMMERCIAL put forth the argument long ago, that railways receiving government aid, either local or federal, should be prevented from accepting bonuses from municipalities. It is a matter for satisfaction that this principle has been to some extent recognized, and it could be carried further to public advantage.

In Manitoba the evils arising from the municipal bonus system have been abundantly demonstrated in various ways, but particularly in the railway bonuses voted by the northwestern municipalities. These municipalities have been applying to the local government for relief, on the ground that as the provincial government has undertaken a system of assistance to railways since these bonuses were granted, it should come to the relief of the embarrassed municipalities, by assuming these railway bonuses which were voted before the provincial system of aid to railways was inaugurated. These claims are advanced not without strong argument in their favor.

In the province of Ontario a very similar situation prevails. Ontario municipalities have voted a large number of railway bonuses, since Confederation, aggregating the large sum of \$9,000,000. Since these bonuses were granted, the Dominion government has entered upon a vigorous system of aid to railways. The Ontario municipalities now claim that on this account they should be recouped by the Dominion for the bonuses which they have granted. The argument is that as these municipalities are chargeable with their proportion of the railway aid expenditure of the Dominion, they should be relieved of their special bonus expenditures. They have a further claim upon the Dominion, on the ground that the province of Ontario has not received a fair share of the federal expenditure in the nature of aid to railways. Exclusive of the cost of the Intercolonial, and the aid given the Canadian Pacific, the Dominion has voted about twenty million dollars to railways, only about two and three-quarter millions of which went to Ontario. Quebec province has of course received the lion's share.

The Ontario municipalities, in their appeal to the Dominion government, are practically in the same position as the Manitoba municipalities, which have asked the local government for relief. The Manitoba municipalities could appeal to Ottawa for relief from their railway bonuses, with as good if not better show of reason than the Ontario municipalities. While Ontario has received something, Manitoba has received nothing from the Dominion, out of the twenty millions voted to railways. However, it is not at all likely that either Ontario or Manitoba will ever be recouped for such expenditures by the Dominion.

The Ontario government has gone in rather extensively of late years in granting aid to railways, and the Ontario municipalities could apply to their own provincial government for relief from these railway bonuses, on the same ground that the municipalities in Manitoba ask the provincial government here to assume the burden of their railway bonuses.

IRRIGATION.

In view of the fact that proposals have recently been made to undertake systems of irrigation in the south western portion of Alberta, it will be interesting to learn the cost of irrigating lands in the United States. Statistics of this nature are available, the cost of irrigation having been one of the matters enquired into in connection with the taking of the recent census of the United States. In New Mexico it is learned that there are more than 3,000 farms wholly or in part under irrigation, for which the cost of water is \$5.58 per acre. Where water is purchased of irrigating companies the average cost is \$1.45 per acre per annum. Lands in this territory that have been taken up under the land laws, reclaimed and made productive by irrigation, have cost on an average \$12.98 per acre. In Arizona the average cost of building ditches was \$7.07 per acre; average annual cost of water per acre \$1.55, and average first cost of preparation for cultivation \$3.60. Bulletins on the same subject for Wyoming, Colorado and other states will be issued later. It is believed the cost of irrigation in these states will be less than in the districts already mentioned.

The figures published will show the cost is considerable, but not too great to prevent the carrying out of the work to a profitable end. Irrigated lands are as a rule more certain of a crop than lands depending upon natural precipitation, and this makes up for the extra cost. Drought is an affliction which almost all countries are subject to, and in the great central region of North America, it is the greatest foe to successful agriculture. Lands which can be rendered safe from this enemy to the crops, by artificial means, are therefore in a comparatively happy position. Relieved from the possible danger of injury or destruction of crops from drought, these lands are often more valuable than farm lands in districts where irrigation is not practiced, and where it is not so urgently needed.

In portions of western Canada included in the territories and British Columbia, there are districts where irrigation must be resorted to, if agriculture is to be followed on an extensive scale. The extent of territory requiring irrigation is very considerable, and it would add vastly to the value of the country as a whole, if it is found practical to carry on irrigation on an extensive scale. To this end private enterprises should be encouraged, and the government might make a move to discover to what extent irrigation is practical, to the lasting benefit of the country.

CHINA AND JAPAN TRAFFIC.

The Canadian Pacific is not the only trans-continental railway which is reaching out for a carrying trade in Chinese and Japanese

wares. There is another competitor in the field, or rather will be in the field in due time. This is the railway which the Russian government is building across Siberia to the Pacific coast. European traffic with China is now handled via the Suez canal. This railway will do away with the necessity of an ocean trip from Europe to China, though no doubt the water route will still carry the bulk of the trade, after the completion of the railway. The railway is understood to be a light structure, and intended more for freight than passenger traffic. The *London Chamber of Commerce Journal* refers to the trans-Siberian railway as follows: "The press generally in Russia has given up much space recently to the discussion of the prospects waiting for realization on the construction of the railway across Siberia. Up to the present it is thought that only a tithe of the trade which should be done with China and Japan has fallen in the way of Russia, but it is now calculated, that, when the railway comes into actual operation, if only one-fifth of the Chinese and Japanese goods now sent to Europe are carried over the railway, this will provide a revenue alone of 17 million roubles. Moreover, it is expected that the line will revolutionize communication between the east and west. The transport of goods, for instance, between Shanghai and London, which, by sea, now takes 41 days at least, will, if directed over the Siberian railway, only occupy 20 days. Notwithstanding the estimated cost of construction being placed at 300 million roubles the *Steel* anticipates that the railway would—even in the present condition of Russian commerce and industry—produce a gross revenue of 56 million roubles annually, and this would be sufficient to pay working expenses, interest on capital, still leaving a margin of net profit.

HELP WANTED.

Farmers in Manitoba are likely to profit by the experience of last year, and endeavor to make provision for assistance in taking off their crops. Last harvest men were very scarce, and on this account the wet weather during harvest time (an unusual thing in Manitoba) proved more disastrous than it otherwise would have been. Farmers were so short of help that they could not make rapid progress with their crops during the dry spells between the frequent rains. The Canadian Pacific railway authorities very laudably endeavored to relieve the situation by running cheap harvest excursions from Ontario, with the object of bringing up hands from the east to assist in the gathering of the heavy Manitoba crop. This was a good idea, but it was undertaken rather late in the season to be of much value.

This year a great deal of help will be required to gather in the crops, if the present harvest prospect is realized to even a considerable extent. It is certain that there are not nearly enough available harvest hands in the province to gather the crops in anything like reasonable time. Farmers are aware of this, and they are already engaging men for the harvest as fast as they can. Men are now scarce in a number of districts though we are nearly a month from harvest time yet. This only indicates what the situation will be when the rush commences.

We think it would be a great assistance to Manitoba farmers, if the railway company would continue the harvest excursions this year, and make arrangements to that end as early as possible, so as to have the dates thoroughly advertised in the east some time beforehand. This would give parties likely to come time to make arrangements accordingly. In fact, the excursions might almost be started at once, so far as employment for those coming is concerned, for the immediate demand for farm hands would be sufficient to provide places at once for those coming, as fast as they arrived.

THE IMPERIAL BANK.

The annual report of the Imperial Bank of Canada, which was received too late for our last issue, appears in this number of *THE COMMERCIAL*. The many friends of the bank will be glad to note the continued prosperity which attends this deserving institution, as shown by the annual report. The capital was increased to two million dollars, the rest account was increased to 50 per cent. of the capital and a bonus of one per cent. was allotted to the shareholders, in addition to the usual dividend of eight per cent.

The Imperial Bank is one which especially has earned the friendship of the people of Manitoba and the Territories. It has ever been foremost among the financial institutions of Canada in recognizing the needs of the west, and its progressive policy in opening new branches and generally extending its business in the west, indicates clearly that its managers have full faith in the future of this country. This bank has now six branches west of the Lakes, which places it at the head of the list, so far as the number of agencies is concerned, which any of the eastern financial institutions have in the west. These agencies are at Winnipeg, Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Calgary, Prince Albert and Rat Portage.

Montreal Hardware and Paint Prices.

Pig Iron—There has been only a small quiet trade in pig during the week, with no special transactions to mention. Prime brands of pig are steady ex-store at about \$21 to 21.50 with small lots a shade more and lower brands, such as Carnbroe, etc., accessible at \$19 to 19.50. The same applies to other brands. There has been only an ordinary sort of business to note in a jobbing way, with little doing from first hands. The basis for round lots is \$20, with a proportionate advance when smaller quantities are under negotiation. Hoops and bands have the same easy tendency as bar, and we quote \$2.40, last week's figure.

Tin Plate—There has been little stock come to hand since our last, and stocks are in the same small compass as we noted a week ago. Cokes are scarce and firm in consequence at \$2.65 for best and \$2.25 for wasters. Charcoal little to be had at \$5.25.

Canada Plate—There has been some business to note in this line, and supplies in first hands are still more reduced, while the fresh supplies at hand are not large and mainly controlled by one dealer. We quote \$2.00 ex-ship and \$3 ex-store.

Pig Iron—Caldor, \$21.50 to 22; Sumnerlee, \$21.50 to 22; Gartsherrle, \$21.50; Eglinton, \$19 to 20; Carnbroe, \$19.50.

Bar Iron, per 100 pounds—Ordinary crown, \$2.20; best refined, \$2.35; Simons, \$2.25; swedes, \$3.75 to 4; lowmoor, \$5.25 to 5.50; hoops and bands, \$2.40; sheet iron, \$2.40 to 2.60.

Copper, per pound—Ingot, 13½ to 15c; sheets, 20½ to 24c.

Canada Plates—Good brands, Terne plates, charcoals, IC 20x29, Orion Crown per box, nominal; IC 20x23, lower grade, no stock.

Tin Plate—Coke, \$4.65; charcoal, \$5 to 6; ingot tin, 22½ to 23c.

Lead, per 100 pounds—Pig, \$3.60 to 3.75; sheets, \$4.75; shot, \$5.75; lead pipe, \$5.50 to 5.75.

Wrought Iron—Scrap, \$18 to 18.50.

Zinc—Sheets, \$6.25 to 6.50; spelter, \$6 to 6.25; remelted, \$4.75.

Russian sheet iron, per pound. 10c; galvanized iron, according to brand, basis No. 28. per pound, 5 to 7c.

Iron Pipe—Discount 62½ to 65c.

Copper—There is nothing particular to note regarding this article, the feeling being firm as heretofore, and we quote, 13½ to 15c as a range.

Terne Plate—With little or no stock here as we noted a week ago, values are nominal and we cannot quote any price out of first hands. Supplies near at hand are inconsiderable, in fact, nothing is definitely known regarding quantity.

Nails—There is little to say about the market, but some new business in a jobbing way is reported at \$2.15 to 2.20, but order are still under way on the old basis. They, however, represent negotiation done pretty far back.

Oils—There is no special feature in the oil market to note. Cod remains steady, while seal has been served out at 47½c jobbing out at a slight advance on this. Linseed remains unsettled, as noted last week, at 62c for raw and 64c for boiled. Cod, Newfoundland, 40c; seal, steam refined, 47½ to 50c; linseed, raw, 62 to 64c; linseed, boiled, 64 to 66c; castor oil, 9½ to 10c; cod liver oil, Norway, 95c to \$1.15.

Glass—There is no change in glass and we quote \$1.35 for lots in a round way, with \$1.40 to \$1.50 for smaller quantities.

Leads—The market is the same. We quote. Choice, \$6; No. 1, \$5.50, No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3, \$3.25; dry white lead, 6c; red, do, 4½c. *Gazette.*

Canadian Eggs in England.

It will be seen by a perusal of our special correspondence from Loudon, England, that Canadian eggs are beginning to attract the attention which their quality and style of package merits in the British markets. During the month of May last over 500,000 great hundreds or 5,000,000 dozen Canadian eggs were received into Great Britain, which as our correspondent remarks looks as if the trade had been established on a firm basis for our eggs on the other side. He also says there is "nought but praise for arrivals from Canada."—*Montreal Trade Bulletin.*

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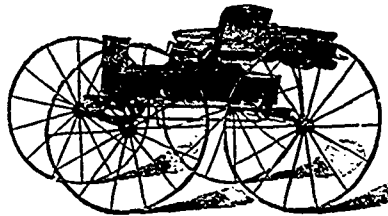
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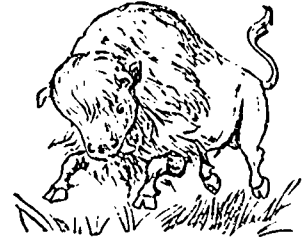
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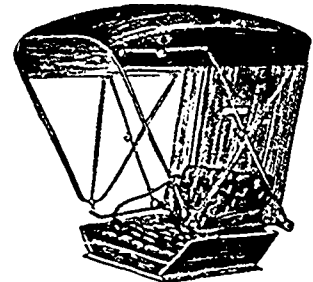
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WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

In commercial circles considerable grumbling is heard about slow collections, and this condition will not likely be materially improved upon for some time. We have now reached the time of year when the crop movement is looked forward to, to cause a movement of money. Discount rates unchanged at 7 to 8 per cent for commercial paper. Farm mortgage loans generally firm at 8 per cent., and city at 7 to 8 per cent.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

GROCERIES.

There is nothing in the market in new Japan teas, but some are on the way. Syrups are nominal and prices on a basis of the new duties have not yet been established. There has been an immense demand for sugar in the east, since the cheap sugar came on the market. Lower duties were so generally expected, that the country was bare of old stock everywhere, while the demand has been increased by the fact that the cheap sugar came on the market at the commencement of the fruit curing season, when the demand is always abnormally heavy. The new sugars arrived in Winnipeg the first of the week and sold on Tuesday at 5½ for granulated, but the next day 5½ was asked. The general situation is very strong in sugars, as usual at this time of year. Later the refiners advanced ¾c to 4¾c, which would make the Winnipeg jobbing price 5, to 5½c. Yellows, 5 to 5½c. Willet & Gray, New York, say that the conditions are favorable for a strong market for some time to come.

HARDWARE.

The sensation in the iron trade of the week was the withdrawal of the E & C. Gurney company from the Iron Founders' association, which it is thought will somewhat demoralize the store trade. Locally there was a scarcity of tin plates and some lines of iron pipe. Prices are quoted as follows:— Cut nails, 10d and upwards, \$3 10 wire nails \$4 50; I. C. tin plates, \$6.25 to \$6.50 as to grade; I. C. tin plates double, \$12.50 to \$13.00; Canada plates, \$4 25; sheet iron, \$4 to \$5.50 according to grade; iron pipe, net prices, 1 inch, 10¾c; 1½ inch 13¾c; 1¾ inch, 16¾c; 2 inch, 25¾c per foot; ingot tin, 30c per lb.; bar tin, 32c per lb.; sheet zinc, 5c per lb.; galvanized iron, 23 gauge, 7 to 8¾c per lb.; bar iron, \$3 50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6c per lb.; tarred felt, \$2.20 per 100 lbs.; barbed wire, 5½ to 6c net; sisal rope, 12c per pound; manilla rope, 16c per lb.

LIQUORS.

Advances in the price of domestic whiskies have been decided upon, as given below. Some advances in imported liquors have also been made, namely 50c per case on De DeKuyper gins, etc. In consequence of the new duties, hotelkeepers in the east are advancing whiskey to 10c per glass, this having been agreed upon in Toronto. Beer has been advanced in the east 5c per gallon wholesale price, according to a Toronto telegram. Drowry's Winnipeg beers have not been changed in price, but 1c advance has been made in malt. Prices here are:— Whiskies—Canadian rye in barrels, \$2.05 per gallon; do., five year old, \$2.50; do., seven year old, \$2.90, ten year old, \$3.50; Club, in cases, \$9; Mackie's pure Scotch whiskie, Islay Blend, in cases of 12 bottles, \$9.50; do., Rare Old Special,

\$11, do., pure Lagavulin, 10 year old, \$11.50; Brandies—Jognac, in bulk, \$4 per gallon; in cases, \$9; do., Martel and Hennessy, in cases, \$14; do., V. O., \$20. Port wine, \$2.50 and upwards; Jamaica rum, \$4 to \$4 50; DeKuyper red gin, \$12.50 per case; DeKuyper green gin, \$7.50 per case; Tom gin, \$9 to \$10.

PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.

There is no change in prices to note in these branches. Some interest is manifested in the bill introduced in Parliament at Ottawa respecting frauds in marking, the object of which is to provide that white lead packages shall only be marked according to quality.

WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

WHEAT

Nothing surprising occurred in wheat during the week, the most important feature being a firmer tone in British and European markets. Chicago declined about 2c on Monday. St. Louis declined heavily the same day, owing to large returns from the threshing of winter wheat, while crop news were generally favorable. Cables were firm, Liverpool being ¼d higher. The Russian crops was a matter of contradictory reports, and very little reliance can be placed upon Russian reports anyway. The visible supply decreased 1,007,000 bushel, against a decrease of 535,000 bushels a year ago. Shipments from India were 2,400,000 bushels. On Tuesday heavy rains were reported in Kansas and Nebraska, but this was counter balanced by Liverpool cables ¼d lower. The quantity of wheat and flour on ocean passage as reported on Tuesday showed a decrease of 1,760,000 bushels. Foreign markets were generally higher on Wednesday, Liverpool, Berlin and Paris advancing equal to about ¾c per bushel. *Breadstreet's* reported a decrease of 1,523,000 bushels in the stock of wheat United States and Canada east of the Rocky Mountains, while west of the Rockies remained unchanged. Thursday was a dull market at Chicago and other United States points, with easy cables. Cables were firmer again on Friday, but fine weather and large receipts of new wheat depressed Chicago and United States markets.

There is nothing doing locally in wheat. Buyers are mostly off country markets, except at points where there is a local milling demand or local buyers to pick up any stray loads offering. About 75 to 80c is the top range for best samples, in country markets. Wheat has been moving from country elevators to our lake ports faster than it has been shipped out via the lakes, stocks at lake ports showing an increase of 14,842 bushels for the week ended July 2, and an increase of 9,037 for the previous week. This increase of stocks shows that the export and eastern demand is very slack. Total in store at lake ports (Fort William and Port Arthur) on July 2, was 493,641 bushels.

The weather in Manitoba for the week ranged from fairly warm to cool, the average temperature being low for the season, and cooler than desirable. No rain of any consequence reported up to Thursday, when there were fairly heavy showers nearly all over the wheat belt about Thursday night and Friday morning, followed by the warmest afternoon of the week. Saturday July 11 was cool and cloudy, and reported

"foggy" and "misty" from some points, principally south. A few hail storms are reported, but all have touched very small areas. Early grain is now well in head.

FLOUR.

Flour was dull and easy but without change in prices. Jobbing quotations per one hundred pounds to the local trade are:— Patents, \$2.70; strong bakers', \$2.50; Second bakers, \$2 to \$2 10; XXXX, \$1.50; superfine, \$1.20.

MILLSTUFFS.

Prices were advanced \$1 per ton on bran and shorts. These products were not offering as freely. The country mills are about all closed down, as usual at this time of the year, and are therefore not shipping to the city, which enables higher prices to be obtained. Bran is scarce at \$10 and shorts at \$12 per ton.

GROUND FEED.

Prices hold at \$24 to \$25 per ton for best quality of feed.

MEALS, OIL CAKE, ETC.

Quotations are:— Oil cake, in bags \$21 a ton; oil cake meal in ton lots, sacked, \$26. in bulk \$25; Oat meal, standard \$2 90; granulated, \$3.00 per 100 pounds; rolled oats, \$3.00 per sack of 80 pounds; cornmeal is held at \$2 to 100 lbs. Pot barley, \$3 00 per 100 pounds. Pearl barley, \$3.25; fine, do., in 50 pounds sacks, \$3 per sack.

OATS.

There is if anything an easier tendency in oats. As the season for new oats draws near, holders are more anxious to sell, and quite a number of small lots (amounting to one or more cars) are cropping up at different points through the country, and are being offered. One lot of considerable size is held in the city. The time is now short to dispose of any large quantity locally before new oats come on the market, and with a large crop in view and lower prices looked for for new grain, the tendency is naturally easier. Dealers were selling small lots from store at 45c per bushel of 34 pounds. On track prices nominal at 33 to 40c.

BUTTER.

The market is very dull. Considerable shipping has been done from country points as well as by city dealers, to British Columbia coast markets. That quarter is now overstocked with ordinary Manitoba dairy. There is no other buying demand, and local requirements are supplied by farmers near by. Prices are nominal at 10 to 14c for medium to choice country dairy.

CHEESE.

Dealers are selling in a small way at 10c, with some small fancy boxes held at 10¾c. The *Montreal Gazette* of Tuesday last says: "The market has a softer tendency to-day, the easiness that had its inception after the holiday last week being more apparent and values may be quoted ¼ to ½c lower on the whole."

EGGS.

Arriving slowly and firmer. Some dealers are holding firm at 15c, in one or a few case lots. We quote 14 to 15c per dozen.

CURED MEATS.

Mostly canvassed meats now in demand, and held firmer. 9c is a very close price on dry salt. Prices are:— Dry salt bacon, 9 to 9½c; smoked long clear, 10½c; spiced rolls, 11 to 11½c; breakfast bacon, 12 to 13c; smoked hams, 13 to 13½c; mess pork, \$17 to \$18 per barrel. Sausago are quoted:— Fresh pork sausage, 10c per lb.; Bologna, do., 5c per pound; German, do., 9c per pound. Ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 9c per ½lb package.

LARD.

Firm at \$2.20 to \$2.25 per 20 pound pail, for pure. Compound held at \$1.90 to \$2 per pail.

POULTRY.

Chickens are scarce and 70c per pair has been paid for not very choice birds. We quote 60 to 70c.

HIDES.

Outside markets are dull and easy. Locally there is no change. We quote No. 1 cows 4½c, No. 2, 3½c, No. 3, 2½c. No. 1 heavy steers, 60 pounds up, 5½c, No. 2, 60 pounds and up, 4½c, calf, No. 1, 5c, No. 2, 4c, sheepskins, shearings, 10 to 15c each. Lambskins, 25 to 30c each. Tallow, 4½ to 5c for rendered.

WOOL.

Prices are somewhat uncertain, owing to competition among buyers, who have been bidding against each other more actively. Higher prices have been paid, though the situation does not warrant it. We quote 10½c to 11½c for ordinary unwashed.

SENAGA ROOT.

Dealers are more cautious, as the quantity marketing is large. We quote lower at 22 to 25 for good, dry root.

DRESSED MEATS.

The easier tendency in meats has continued, and has developed somewhat lower prices for beef, and some shading on mutton. Considerable grass fed beef is now offering, which though not in really good condition, has caused an easier tendency in prices. This beef is offering at 6 to 6½c, and in fact the best quality has sold at 6½c though quoted up to 7c. However, 6½c can now be considered almost the top. Several more shipments of cattle have been made east, for export or local sale at Montreal. Dressed mutton is usually turned over at 12c, and quoted at 11 to 12½c. Pork, 6½ to 7½c. Veal, 7 to 9c as to quality.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes have been firm at 50 to 60c per bushel, and a car lot brought in was being held in a small way at 75c. New potatoes \$1.50 to \$1.60. New California onions, 5c lb, Bermuda onions, 8c lb. New cabbage, 4½c lb, tomatoes, \$2.25 per crate of 24 pounds. Green stuff in bunches is plentiful, at 20 to 25c per dozen bunches for onions, 20c for radishes, 20c for lettuce, 20 to 25c for rhubarb or pig-plait, and 75 to \$1.00 per dozen for asparagus, cucumbers, 75 to 80c per dozen. Cauliflower at 60 to 75c per dozen. Peas, in pod, \$2 per bushel. Horseradish is in demand at 8c per pound for good clean root.

HAY

Old hay is lower and slow sale. Pressed on track quotable at \$7 to \$9 per ton. A few loads of new hay are offering on the market.

British Columbia Trade Letter

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.)

VANCOUVER, July 7.—We are in the dead of summer and on the heels of Dominion Day, business shows few decided features. There is consequently little to report. After a spell of beautiful weather yesterday it again turned cold and wet and some anxiety is felt for the fruit crop, which starting out with splendid prospects, has been somewhat injured by the unusual rainfall.

The recent tariff changes caused little or no comment, the principal item affecting us being the abolition of duty on raw sugars. The expression of feeling is that of satisfaction. Prices will be maintained for a short time by the B. C. Sugar Refinery in order to give dealers a chance to clear out stock on hand, but a heavy cut is announced on or after the middle of July. Quotations for future delivery are granulated, 5½c, extra C, 5½c; tobacco will also be advanced.

The California fruit on the market comprises cherries, peaches, apricots, plums and apples. Cherries are high and about out of the market. Apricots are plentiful at \$1.25 per box. B. C. fruits yet are scarce. Strawberries are still for

sale but not in quantity; raspberries have started to come in. There is a decidedly bullish tendency in the now canned goods market and orders are placed at a strong advance. There is little or no change in meats. The principal sources of supply of butter are eastern creamery and Manitoba dairy, which are received in large consignments. California stock is exhausted and home supply limited but of good quality and in demand.

Behring sea matters are quiet. The announcement of the *modus vivendi*, which caused a slight ripple of excitement, was speedily followed by the appointment of arbitrators and the news that they were already on the way to the disputed ground. I observe with satisfaction the choice of Sir George Baden Powell so far as Canada is concerned, but cannot speak with confidence regarding Dr. G. M. Dawson, his colleague. As you say, the first possesses an intimate knowledge of the points in dispute and is as well qualified as any other man in the empire to adjudicate, but it is questionable whether his qualifications exceed those of the second name, who is perhaps less known and has been obscured by the lustre of his father's name. His appointment here is regarded with satisfaction. There is perhaps no other man who knows the Pacific coast and the west of Canada so intimately and thoroughly as Dr. Dawson. He is besides a worker of wonderful capacity, a keen and scientific observer and a man of very shrewd and practical ideas. I doubt if any of the arbitrators or counsel engaged in the case will absorb so thorough and comprehensive mastery of the dispute in all its details as the same Dr. Dawson.

There have been quite a number of business changes. Among them a new wholesale commission house has started in Victoria. H. Arkell, the pioneer commission dealer of Vancouver, has sold out. A. Godfrey & Co., who have a very large hardware store, are offering their business for sale. The provincial exhibit association has started to work again in good earnest and it is the intention to send the largest exhibit from British Columbia ever yet seen at the eastern fairs. Several more lumber ships have arrived in Burrard Inlet. The first of July was duly and loyally celebrated here on Wednesday and a large crowd was present to participate. Burrard Inlet was never so gay and animated in appearance. There was a very large display of craft of all kinds, conspicuous being the Empress of Japan which sailed that day for China. The outlook for the salmon industry of the Fraser is promising at the present time. Prices are as follows:—

Sugar—Granulated, 7½c per lb; yellow, 6½ to 6¾c; cube, 8c. Syrup is quoted at 3½c.

Vegetables—New potatoes, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per 100 lbs; onions, \$1.50 to \$1.75. Old potatoes \$10 to \$16 per ton. Cabbage, 2½c per lb.

Meats—Dry salt, 12c; roll bacon, 12c; breakfast bacon, 14c; backs, 13½c; hams, 15c; mess pork, 22½c; lard, in tubs, 12c; in pails, 12½c; in tins, 13c; lard compound, 12c.

Fruit—British Columbia and California cherries, \$1.25 per box. Red astracan apples, \$2.50 per box. Peaches, apricots and plums, \$1.25 per box. California pears \$1.25. Bananas, \$3.50 to \$4.50 per bunch. Oranges, \$3.00 to \$5.

Butter—Creamery butter, 25c and dairy, 20 to 24c per lb.

Eggs—17 and 18c

Rice—Japan, \$90 per ton; China, \$70; rice flour, \$70; chit rice, \$25; rice meal, \$17.50.

Flour and Feed—Flour, Delta, Victoria mills \$5.25; lion, \$5.25; premier, Enderby mills, \$6.15; XXX, Enderby mills, \$6.85; XX., do., \$5.25; superfine, do., \$4.40; Manitoba Hungarian, \$6.25; Snowflake, \$6.35; Portland roller, \$6.35; royal, \$6.15; C. & C., \$5.50; Oregon superfine, \$4.50; Columbia superfine X, \$4.40. Wheat per ton, \$36 to \$40; oats, per ton, \$42.50 to \$45; oil cake meal, \$35 to \$40; chop feed, \$37.50 to \$40. shorts, \$26 to \$28; bran, \$24 to \$26; California oat meal, per 100, \$4.65; rolled oats, do., \$4.75; California rolled oats, do., \$5.25; Tacoma rolled oats, do., \$4.80; cornmeal do., \$3 to \$3.25; cracked corn, per ton, \$50 to \$55.

A Grievance.

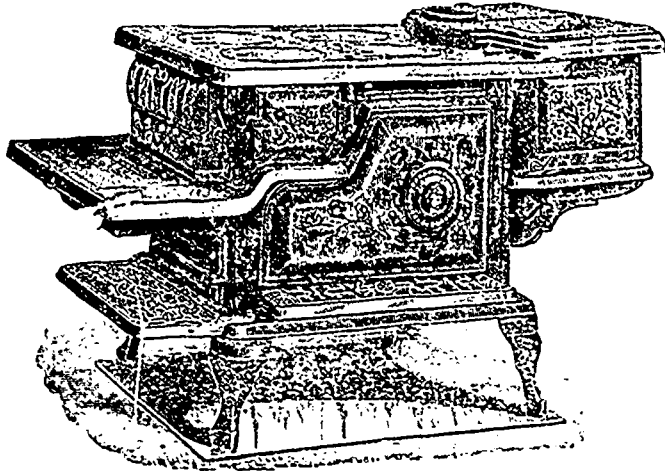
The merchants on Princess street, Winnipeg, have a grievance against the city council. It is well known that Princess street is one of the filthiest thoroughfares in the city, and on a windy day it is wrapped in clouds of dust. Especially is this the case in the vicinity of Market Square. Large numbers of vehicles are gathered on the square during the day, which means the depositing of considerable filth on the pavement. It is generally customary in cities to clean up the market squares daily, but in Winnipeg the accumulation of rubbish is allowed to go on for weeks at a stretch. In dry weather this accumulation is soon reduced to the consistency of dust, and it is carried in clouds into the business places along the street. A short time ago the merchants along the street petitioned the council to have the street watered, and a promise was made to accede to the request. During the dry days of last week however, the business places were in a terrible state from dust. Merchants were trying to keep their doors and windows closed, but it was difficult to do business in this way. Goods were covered with dust to such an extent, that by dropping your hand upon a pile of goods, the impression would remain easily distinguishable in the dust. The business men along the street, who are principally large wholesale dealers, pay heavy taxes, and they believe they have a well-defined grievance against the aldermen in not paying more attention to the cleanliness of the city, and especially the portion referred to.

Lumber Cuttings.

Tenders for red pine and tamarac lumber (150,000 feet) were received at a meeting of the Winnipeg board of works last week, from D. E. Sprague, A. Black, Doidge & Co., and Robinson & Co. It was agreed to divide the contract between Black and Sprague, their tenders being the same, namely: \$20 per thousand feet, b.m., and 3 per cent. off.

The Cordingly trial closed at Portage la Prairie on Friday. There were two indictments against him for larceny. However, the evidence would not warrant his conviction and Judge Ryan set him free. This was the case of Ed. Cordingly, of the late firm of E. S. White & Co., of Carberry, Man., who was charged with appropriating goods belonging to the estate.

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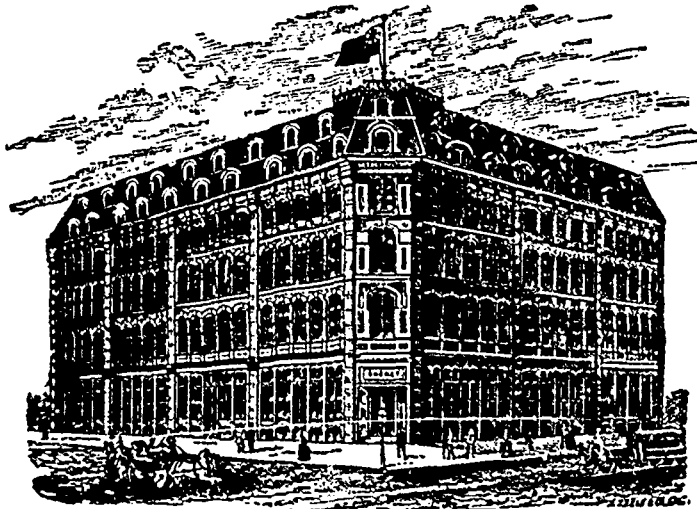
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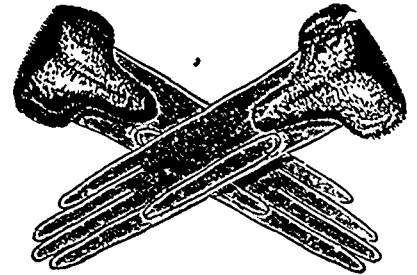
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Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Wheat was lower on Monday, July 6. Prices started 1½ to 1¾ lower and closed 2 to 2½ lower. Domestic crop and weather reports were favorable. Cables were firmer, Liverpool closing ¼c higher. Closing prices were:—

	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	91½	87½	—	—
Corn	57½	54½	52½	—
Oats	35½	29½	28½	—
Pork	—	—	10.00	10.72½
Lard	—	—	6.42½	6.62½
Short Ribs	—	—	6.37½	6.50

Wheat had a slightly lower range on Tuesday, under easier cables from Liverpool, London and Paris. Closing prices were:—

	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	91½	87½	87	—
Corn	57½	55	52½	—
Oats	36½	29½	29	—
Pork	—	—	10.47½	10.67½
Lard	—	—	6.45	6.67½
Short Ribs	—	—	6.35	6.42½

On Wednesday the market was very dull, but prices averaged slightly higher. Liverpool cabled ¾d higher, and Paris and Berlin ditto. Closing prices were:—

	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	92½	88	87½	—
Corn	58½	54½	52½	—
Oats	37	29½	28½	—
Pork	—	—	10.30	10.40
Lard	—	—	6.32½	6.42½
Short Ribs	—	—	6.22½	6.35

On Thursday wheat was dull and weak. July closed 1½c lower, but later options sustained a loss of only ¼c. Closing prices:—

	July	Aug	Sept.	Oct
Wheat	91	87½	87½	—
Corn	56	53½	51½	49½
Oats	37½	29½	28½	—
Pork	10.10	—	10.27½	10.35
Lard	6.12½	—	6.32½	6.42½
Short Ribs	5.95	—	6.25	6.35

Wheat closed half a cent higher on Friday, under the influences of big receipts of new wheat and bright weather. Closing prices were:—

	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Wheat	92½	87	86½	—
Corn	58½	53½	51½	49½
Oats	36½	29½	28½	—
Pork	10.32½	—	10.47½	10.57½
Lard	6.27½	—	6.47½	6.57½
Short Ribs	5.25	—	6.42½	6.52½

Minneapolis Market.

Following were closing wheat quotations on Thursday, July 9:—

	July	Sept.	Dec.	On track.
No. 1 hard	1.04	—	—	1.04½
No. 1 northern	99½	84½	86½	100½
No. 2 northern	95	—	—	95-98

Flour—Quoted at \$4.90 to 5.20 for first patents; \$4.60 to 4.75 for second patents; \$4.00 to 4.50 for fancy and export bakers; \$2.10 to 2.35 for low grades, in bags, including red dog. If spot wheat were not tied up there would be a free field and Minneapolis would be in the flour market. There is wheat enough to grind if it were distributed at fair prices. As it is there promises to be considerable old wheat carried to the new crop season.

Bran and shorts—Quoted at \$10.25 to 11.00 for bran, \$15.50 to 15.75 for shorts, and \$15.00 to 15.25 for middlings.

Oats—Quoted at 37 to 38 by sample.

Feed—Millers held at \$22 to 22.50; less than car lots, \$22.50 to 23.00 with cornmeal at \$22 to \$23.

Butter—Creamery, 12 to 15c; dairy, 10c. to 14c Packing stock, 9c.

Eggs Fresh, active at 15c doz.

Potatoes—Large supply of new at 70c. per bushel in large lots.—Minneapolis Market Record, July 9.

Duluth Wheat Market.

Duluth showed some strength toward the close of the week, the close on Saturday, July 11 being 3c above Monday. No. 1 northern wheat, July option closed as follows on each day of the week. Monday, 95; Tuesday, 95½; Wednesday, 96; Thursday, 96; Friday, 98; Saturday, 98. September option ranged from 86½ to 87½, closing price on different days. On Saturday July opened at 99c, but declined to 98 at the close.

Toronto Markets.

Flour—Demand for Ontario flours was dull, but there was no pressure to sell on the part of millers. A car of 90 per cent. patents changed hands at \$4.90 Toronto freights. There was a fair home and British demand for Manitoba wheat flour; cable bids were advanced 6d. Three cars bakers' sold at \$5.50 Peterboro' and west and 3 patents at \$5.80.

Bran—Locally it is scarce and firm with a good demand at \$15.50 here. Outside sellers are irregular in their views, quoting \$13 to \$14, but generally the latter figure.

Wheat—Steady with a fair enquiry for Ontario wheat and a better demand for Manitoba. Winter wheats offered at \$1 north and west, with buyers at 93c. Some 60 lb red sold on the Northern at \$1.02 to \$1.02½ to a miller at the point of sale. No. 2 spring nominal at 95 to 96c outside. No. 2 hard offered at \$1.10, without bids. Old cars No. 3 hard sold at 97c western points and a 5-car lot sold east at \$1. No. 2, northern sold at \$1.02, west. There was a good enquiry for this grade. No. 1 frosted sold at 92c.

Barley—Quiet, with a fair demand. Sales were made at 52c north and west for ordinary feeding barley.

Oats—Steadier, with a more active enquiry. Outside holders are higher, asking 49 to 50c. On track white sold at 52c and mixed at 51c. A couple of cars fancy white sold at 53½.

Car prices are: Flour (Toronto freights)—Manitoba patents, \$5.80 to \$5.90; Manitoba strong bakers', \$5.50 to \$5.60; Ontario patents, \$5 to \$5.50; straight roller, \$4.75 to \$4.85; extra, \$4.49 to \$4.50; low grades, \$2.50 to \$4.00; Bran—\$15 to \$15.50. Shorts—\$19 to \$20. Wheat—No. 2 white, \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 2, spring, \$1; No. 2 red winter, \$1.04 to \$1.05; No. 2 hard, \$1.10; No. 3 hard, 98c; No. 2 northern, \$1; Peas—No. 2, 75 to 76c. Barley—Feeding 50 to 55c. Oats—51 to 52½c.

Provisions—Quotations are: Mess pork, Canadian, \$14.75 to \$15; short cut, \$15.75 to \$16; bacon, long clear, per lb, 7½ to 8½c; lard, Canada, tubs and pails, 10c; compound do., 8½ to 9c; smoked meats—hams, per lb, 11 to 11½c; bollics, per lb., 10½ to 11c; rolls, per lb., 8½ to 9c; backs, per lb, 10½c.

Dairy Produce—Butter was steady, with a fairly liberal supply, though to-day's receipts were light. Sales were generally made at 13

to 15c for good to choice dairy in lots. There was a fair demand for medium, but buyers are not paying over 10 to 11c; there is a slight accumulation of these now. Creameries firmly hold; a small lot of June sold outside at 19½c. Cheese was steady, but quiet at 9½ to 9¾ here for choice June makes. The cable recorded another 6d drop in Liverpool. Quotations are: Butter, good to choice western, 14½ to 15½c; dairy, medium, 12½ to 13½c; common, 10 to 12c; creamery, tubs, 20 to 21c; rolls, 22 so 23c. Cheese, May and June, 9 to 10c.

Produce—The market was rather bare of eggs to-day, but prices were not quotably higher, most of the sales being at 12½c, with lots at 12c; in a few instances 13c was obtained. Quotations are: Beans, \$1.20 to \$1.80; potatoes, \$1.20 to \$1.35 per bag; do, on track \$1; hops, 1890 crop, 31 to 37c; dried apples, 7½ to 9c; evaporated do, 12 to 13½c; eggs, fresh, 12½c; hay, \$10.50 to \$11.50 for timothy, \$9 to \$10 for mixed; straw, \$6 to \$7; sheepskins, \$1.25 to \$1.50; pelts and lambskins, 20 to 30c; calfskins, 5 to 7c; hides, green, No. 1, 5 to 5½c; do, cured, 6½c; wool, washed, 18 to 21c; chickens, 50 to 80c, turkeys, per lb, 10 to 13c.—Empire, July 7.

Live Stock Notes.

The following stock items are from the Brandon Sun of July 9:—

John Howey left on Monday evening for a trip along the Prince Albert branch to bring down a large number of fat cattle that he purchased a few weeks ago. He expects to arrive here with them to-morrow.

Monday evening's Pacific express brought in J. D. McGregor, who had just returned from Montreal. He remained there just long enough to see his four car loads of range cattle (Ontario bred) shipped for Bristol, England. The cattle were in excellent condition when they reached Montreal, and were generally admired.

Most of our citizens are aware that a big business has been done in Brandon in the horse line the present season. Few, however, have a knowledge of the proportions that this business has reached. We have looked into the matter and find that there were thirty-three cars of eastern animals brought into the city the present season. Averaging the cars at sixteen horses each it makes the number 528. It is safe to say that each of these sold at an average of \$175, making the large sum of \$92,400. This is not all, however, for to these figures must be added eight cars of western horses brought in. These would average twenty animals to a car, or 160 horses, which at the small average price of \$60 each, would give \$9,600. Fancy over \$100,000 to be paid for horse flesh by the farmers of this district who ought to have had a surplus of their own raising to sell.

North West Ontario.

W. Bryan, of Bryan Bros., contractors, Colliewood, has opened in business at Fort William.

E. Mearault, of the Fort William hotel, contemplates building a large new hotel building on Victoria avenue. The main building will be 30x40, three stories high, and brick veneered.

A hail storm near Miami, Man., destroyed several fields of grain. It covered a strip about a mile wide.

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Winnipeg Board of Trade.

The council of the board of trade met at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, an hour before the full board assembled. The resignation of W. J. Akin as treasurer of the board was accepted, he having removed from the city, and Geo. J. Mulsow was elected in his place. The members of the council expressed their regret at losing the services of Mr. Akin as treasurer. The full board met at 4 o'clock and proceeded to discuss matters of interest with General Manager Mollen and General Traffic Manager Hannaford of the Northern Pacific Railway Co. Mr. Mollen gave an unqualified denial to the rumor that the Northern Pacific Ry people had even considered any proposition to transfer, lease or in any way dispose of their rights in the N. P. & M. Ry. He stated that the company proposed to hold and operate the road in the future as in the past. The purchasing agent of the road had been instructed to purchase in Manitoba every article for use by the road that could be obtained here, and that the company not only intended to complete and open the new hotel, but to make such additions to their general railroad properties here as would place the road in the very best position. The authorities had the most friendly feeling to this country and desired to build up the country for their mutual advantage. He would be glad to receive from business men here suggestions as to the policy of the road in affording facilities for the conduct of business in this country so that the smoothest relations should exist between the community and the management of the road. Mr. Hannaford discussed with several members present details of traffic arrangements now existing, and said the officers of the road would do everything in their power for affording facilities for shipping by the Northern Pacific railway. He asked that business men should recognize that it was to their own interest to give a fair share of their business to this line.

The question of the Transfer railway having been brought up Mr. Mullen stated that he had given orders for plans to be prepared at once and would ask the money necessary to complete the construction as soon as possible. After a general conversation between the railway people and the members of the board the officials took their departure and the board resumed ordinary business.

REPORTS.

Annual reports were received and adopted from the grain, hide and flour examiners.

The board of grain examiners reported having sent delegates to the meeting of representatives of the board of trade last year. The report continues:

"As it has been found by practical experience that almost every season produces some wheat which it is impossible to class in the schedule of grain defined by the inspection Act and do justice to producers and handlers of the grain we would recommend that correspondence be opened with the Minister of Inland revenue with the object of having the commercial grades struck by the annual meeting legally recognized when the minister considers it proper and necessary.

We also recommend that the general board appoint a committee to urge upon the Minister of Inland revenue the necessity existing for the passage of a Dominion Act authorizing the appointment of Dominion weighmen who will

have the same authority to issue certificates of the weight of grain, in the same manner that inspectors issue certificates of quality and grade. There can be but one opinion as to the extreme necessity existing that producers and shippers of grain in this province should have more protection as to guarding correct returns of the output of cars unloaded at a distance from the shipping point. If thoroughly competent and reliable weighmen, appointed by the government as are grain inspectors, were stationed at such points as command a volume of trade sufficient to afford support to such officials, they could weigh grain shipped from elevators into cars and issue certificates of the fact. The grain trade would willingly consent to pay fair fees for their convenience and guarantee, and we are satisfied claims for shortage returned from destination points would be few and far between, in strong contrast to the unsatisfactory and irritating results now prevailing on all but the Lake Superior and export business.

In April last the Commissioner of Inland Revenue forwarded certain samples of wheat, said to have been shipped from Manitoba to New York and Boston for export, and asked that the examiners should pass judgement to their grades—repeating at the same time certain statements of New York houses reflecting on the Canadian inspection. A full report was forwarded to the commissioner, and a request made that the fullest possible investigation be made into the statements of the New York exporters. Our report was evidently so convincing that notwithstanding our renewed request for further particulars, we are informed, from competent authority, that the samples forwarded by the New York dealers were sent in error, or that they found that they had been mistaken.

The board of flour and meal examiners reported having representation at the annual meeting of the examiners of flour and meal for the Dominion, which was held at Montreal on 23rd October, 1890. A representative was present and arranged that in future samples of flour should be obtained direct from some of the Manitoba mills, for use at the meetings to fix standards.

The board of hide and leather examiners reported that their duties for the past year had been light owing to little leather being tanned in Manitoba, and it is a well known fact that the hides produced in this country are heavier and of better quality than elsewhere in Canada. The spring hides are perfectly free from grubs or warbles, and if carefully taken off and cured as indicated in the board circular of 1887, there was no doubt but Manitoba would soon be as well known for producing the best hides as she is now known for producing the best wheat.

The following report was made of hides inspected in Winnipeg during year ended 30th June, 1891: No. 1, 8,045; No. 2, 4,975; No. 3, 508; calfskins; 1,241; total, 14,769.

The Winnipeg grain inspector's report shows that he inspected 10,200 cars of wheat or 6,630, 600 bushels during the year. The hide inspector reports having inspected 14,769 hides in the year ending 30th June, 1891.

The following boards were then elected for the next twelve months:—

Grain examiners—S. Spink, N. Bawlf, F. W. Thompson, S. A. McGaw, Wm. Martin.

Flour and meal examiners—S. Nairn, D. H. McMillan, S. Spink, F. W. Thompson, Jas. Anderson.

Hide and leather examiners—E. F. Hutchings, W. N. Johnson, P. Gallagher, N. Bawlf, F. Oszenbruggo.

Eastern Business Changes. ONTARIO.

J. P. Sullivan, carriages, Toronto; is dead.
Jas. Bateman, planing mill, Toronto, is dead.
J. G. Tunnor, grocer, Windsor, has sold out.
P. B. McBride, groceries, Windsor, has sold out.

H. C. Phillips, tinsmith, Lancaster, has assigned.

G. A. Quesnel, dry goods, Ottawa, has assigned.

G. L. Pierson, hotel, Courtwright, was burned out.

Dominion Furnace Company, Toronto, have assigned.

W. Tonkyn, confectionery, etc., Toronto, has assigned.

D. C. McArthur, carriagemaker, Martintown, has assigned.

Frances Sawdon, fancy goods, etc., Toronto, has assigned.

Samuel Thorne & Co., dry goods, Hamilton; have assigned.

J. W. Loucks, grocer, Kingsville, is out of business and away.

Bauslaugh & Scarth, general store, Kingsville, have sold out.

Wm. Willis & Co., lumber, London, have sold out; firm now Willis & Kernohan.

QUEBEC.

G. Bernier, tins, etc, Sorel, has assigned.

Hubert Larose, grocer, Montreal, has assigned.

H. F. Poirer, dry goods, Montreal, has assigned.

Paquet & Co., grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

David Courchene, general store, Laveir, has assigned.

Lemieux & Lavigne, grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

McIndoe & Vaughan, wholesale leather, Montreal, have suspended.

Abin & Thibalt, groceries, provisions, etc., Montreal, have dissolved.

Roberge & Frere, general store, Black Lake, are offering a compromise.

F. Frappier & Co., wholesale and retail grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Caverhill, Hughes & Co., wholesale grocers, Montreal, have organized a new firm, composed of J. L. Caverhill, J. C. Rose, H. H. F. Hughes and W. S. Laflamme, under the style of Caverhill, Rose, Hughes & Co.

At a meeting of farmers of the east riding of York, Ontario, a resolution was passed unanimously expressing the opinion that the proposed increase in the excise duty on malt will have a most injurious effect on the barley industry and asking the government not to jeopardize the barley industry by an increase of duty at the present time, but to secure the additional taxation required by charging a full duty of seven and one-half cent per bushel on the corn used by distillers. A deputation was appointed to go to Ottawa to place the resolution before the Government.

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W. J. Taylor, undertaker, Vancouver, is dead.

J. Teague, jr., drugs, Victoria. Sheriff in possession.

Andrew Kidd, harness, &c., Chilliwack, sold out to A. Robinson.

J. G. Wilkinson, boots and shoes, Chilliwack, sold out to D. F. Clement.

Henry Arkell, flour, feed and provisions, Vancouver, sold out to Welch Bros.

G. C. Shaw & Co., commission, &c., Victoria, has admitted R. H. Benedict as partner.

Moodville Saw Mill Company, Ltd., Moodville, sold out to the Moodville Land & Saw Mill Co.

Richardson and Heathorn, commission, &c., Victoria, have dissolved. P. F. Richardson continues.

Reid & Currie, blacksmiths, &c., New Westminster. Correct style now Reid & Currie Iron Works Co., Ltd.

R. N. Begg, formerly of the *Colonist* has entered into partnership with J. R. Kerr, of the Central book and stationery store, Victoria.

In reply to protest regarding the closing of Behring sea, the Victoria board of trade has received a communication from the colonial office, to the effect that the British Government will be prepared to consider any case in which it is established that direct loss has been sustained by a British subject, through the closing of the sea.

One of the handsomest publications which has ever reached THE COMMERCIAL office, is one which bears the imprint of the Vancouver

Daily Telegram. It is in pamphlet form, with illustrations on almost every page and has for its title "Land of the Okanagan," British Columbia. The book, as its title indicates, is devoted to a description of the Okanagan district, which it is well known is one of the most valuable portions of the province, and which is now being opened up by the Shuswap and Okanagan railway. The pamphlet deals very fully with the district, and is a credit to those who prepared and published it.

The C. P. R. has decided to run another excursion along the north coast of British Columbia as far as Alaska, and including the Queen Charlotte islands. The elegant twin screw steamer *Islander* will be placed under charter for the occasion. The route to be taken is on the archipelago of the British Columbian coast, and which formed the subject of two lectures given in the city during the winter. The Titanic beauty of the mountain scenery among which the steamer passes transcends that of Norway, the famous resort of English tourists. Opportunities are also given to visit the Indian villages on the Queen Charlotte islands where the wonderful carved totem poles are to be seen. The great inlets which penetrate the mountains for miles will also be entered. Though the steamer is constantly in salt water on this route the open ocean is only sighted two or three times. The trip will occupy fourteen days from Victoria, meals and berths being furnished free during the cruise. Round trip rates are being made from Winnipeg, Toronto and Montreal for the trip. Only a limited number of tickets will be sold. It is very rarely that the chance to make

this enjoyable trip is offered, as the route is on the regular course of ships.

Assiniboia.

Representatives of a German settlement in Dakota, says the *Medicine Hat Times* were in town yesterday making entries for land south west of here. These delegates have obtained a thorough knowledge of the country and its climate and have concluded that though grain farming may not pay in this district, yet the advantages the country possesses for ranching and dairying are ahead of any other district they have visited. Indeed cheese and butter making will be their chief occupation though they will put in a crop every year. The settlers are a very desirable class of small capitalists.

Another vein of gas has been struck at Medicine Hat, giving a greater quantity than the first vein, at a depth of 640 feet. The force was so great as to throw water ten feet in the air, and boring was suspended. Calculations are that enough gas has been secured to light up the town. A later report says: "An other good vein of gas was struck here Saturday. A pipe was run up thirty feet from the top of the well and has been burning steadily for 36 hours, lighting up the town and surrounding valley, thus proving an inexhaustible supply. The people of Medicine Hat are greatly elated over their good luck. A meeting will be held to night to discuss as to what purpose the gas will be utilized. The estimated pressure of gas is now one hundred and fifty pounds."

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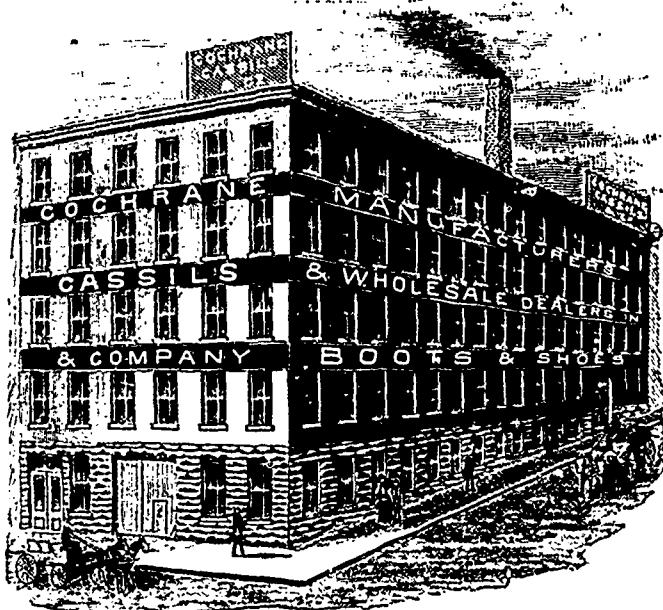
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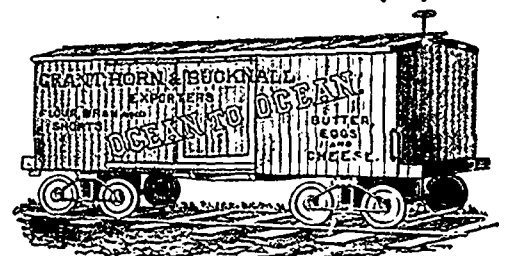
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Montreal Markets.

Flour—Advices from western Ontario state that the rain came too late to remedy the bad effect of the drought upon the wheat crop. There is very little export demand at the moment, although if some enquiries have been received at western mills during the past few days. Newfoundland and the Lower Provinces have been slow buyers during the week but it is thought that if the advance in Chicago is maintained they will come in pretty lively. Prices as follows: Patent, winter, \$5.25 to \$5.50; patent, spring, \$5.65 to \$6; straight roller, \$4.85 to \$5; extra, \$4.50 to \$4.70; superfine, \$4 to \$4.35; city strong barrels, \$5.35 to \$5.50; Manitoba bakers, \$5.15 to \$5.50; Ontario bags, extra, \$2.20 to \$2.30.

Wheat—A fair quotation of No 2 hard Manitoba wheat on spot is \$1.10 to \$1.12.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats \$6 per bbl and \$2.90 per bag, granulated \$6 per bbl and \$2.95 per bag. Standard \$5.90 per bbl and \$2.90 per bag, fine \$5.90 per bbl and \$2.90 per bag. Gold dust \$4.25 to \$4.50 per bbl, and split peas \$4.25 per bbl. The above prices would be shaded for round lots.

Oats—The market is quiet at 16 to 17c for No. 2 Ontario and 54 to 55c for Quebec, although sales in the country have been made that will cost lower prices laid down here.

Barley—The market is very quiet, good malted barley being quoted at 60 to 65c and feed do 55 to 56c per bushel.

Mill feed—The market for bran is quiet but firm at \$15.50 to \$16 per ton. Sales have been made at Sarnia at \$13 in car lots which is higher in proportion than prices here. Shorts are quiet at \$19 to \$20.

Eggs—The course of the market during the week has been rather a surprise to every one. Instead of the slump in the market that was so generally anticipated, a general rise has taken place. Smaller receipts and good consumptive demand have been the chief factors in the rise, but there have also been some fair shipments to English and Scotch ports that have helped to clear the market. Some of these shipments are said to be sold here, at a price about equal to present market prices here, thus saving risk anxiety to shippers. Instead of the despondency that appeared to rule in the market about a fortnight back, there is now almost a bull feeling, and many of the commission men have found quite a difficulty in getting sufficient stock together to keep their regular trade supplied. To-day eggs were selling at 13c for straight lots and 13½c for choice candled stock.

Butter—In creamery butter, holders have checked business by asking prices which shippers refuse to pay, and orders have consequently been filled in the American markets. Exporters were willing to pay 18½c for choice June creamery on this market, but factory demanded 19c and in some instances 20c, which of course stopped further business. In dairy butter there have been sales of Eastern Townships at 16½c for fine shipping lots, and one round lot of selected was sold at 17c. In Western dairy there have been sales at 14 to 14½c for fine to choice selected lots, a lot of pretty fair being placed at 13c. Old stock is quoted at 6 to 8c. Lower ports and English buyers have been taking a few lots of western. We quote creamery 17 to 19c; Eastern Townships, 15 to 17c, and Western 13 to 15c.

Cheese The market has ruled fairly steady during the week notwithstanding the talk of an easier market and lower prices. This week's shipments, which have been liberal, have gone out at 8½ to 9c for finest colored, some having cost more money, and finest white have sold on this market at 8½ to 8¾c.

Potatoes The potato market is in a state of excitement owing to the fact that supplies have fallen below actual consumptive requirements, causing prices to shoot up to an exorbitant pitch. Old potatoes have been sold in round lots at 2c per lb or \$1.80 per bag.

Hides—The market is very quiet the demand from the tanners being on the whole slow. A few lots, however, have been taken by Quebec tanners at 6½c for No. 1 cured and inspected, while dealers continue to pay 6c, 5c and 4c for No. 1, 2 and 3 respectively. The Chicago market rules dull at 5½c f.o.b for buff hides, Calfskins are quoted at 6c per lb.

Leather—The market is dull and sales indicate that prices are in favor of buyers, a lot of No. 2 manufacturers sole selling at 14½c, and we quote 14½ to 17c as a fair range for No. 2, 12 to 14c being quoted for No. 3 as to selection. No. 1 do., is quoted at 18 to 19c and No. 1 B. A. choice, 20 to 21c. In black leather there is very little passing and prices remain as last quoted. A round lot of waxed upper was sold at 24½c, and we quote 23 to 27c as to quality.

Dried fruit—The price of Valencia raisins has been cut to 3½c two or three houses having offered to sell at that figure but it is very certain that at such a low price there can be little or no profit, although it is said that New York is almost giving away her common off brands. We quote 3½ to 4½c as to quality. Currants still hold very firm at 5½c in bbls, and 6c in cases. Dried apples—The market is quiet at 8 to 9c per lb. Evaporated apples—Market steady at 14 to 15c per lb.

Tea—A fair demand exists for Japan teas and so far the bulk of consignments of new teas have been distributed as soon as landed. Further sales are reported of Japan at 21 to 24c for fine to finest while a few lots of good medium have been placed at 17 to 19c showing it is said splendid value. Sales have been reported to us in all about 1,300 p'kgs. Quite a number of lots are said to be on the way in execution of orders, but no accumulation in new Japan teas is looked for yet. A lot of common old Japan was sold as low as 13c but there is not much of this left. In black teas further sales have been reported to us since our last issue on English account at 8d to 1s 0½d cost and freight. The market for green teas is quiet but steady.

Coffee—Several parcels of Maracaibo have been sold on private terms but said to be at about 23 to 20½c, jobbing lots have changed hands at 21 to 22c. In Jamaica business is reported at 19 to 20c as to quantity. Costa Rica has been called for and placed at 23c in jobbing lots, and at 22c in round lots. Java is quoted at 24 to 30c and Mocha at 25c to 30c.

Sugar—The movement in refined sugar during the past week has been brisk and of large volume, granulated selling in round lots at the refineries at 4½c, considerable quantities being taken for the west. From now out it is expected the movement will be heavy as the small fruit season has just set in, and will continue for some time. In yellows there is a good demand with sales reported at 3½ up to 4½c as to

grade. The market for raw sugar is very firm and holders are not forcing supplies as they appear to have great confidence in the future.

Syrups and Molasses.—Refiners are so busy with their sugar that it is said they are paying very little attention to syrups, and prices are more or less nominal. In molasses the situation still holds very firm, Barbadoes being quoted at 40 to 42½c and the holder of a cargo was asking 45c at the beginning of the week. A cargo of Trinidad and St. Kitts has been shipped from this port to Newfoundland owing to scarcity of supplies there.—*Trade Bulletin*, July 3.

Salt.

The reduction on the duty of salt is rather misleading to those not posted and a little explanation is in order. Coarse or common salt if imported from Great Britain or any British possession has always been free. Fine salt, whether table or dairy (generally called factory filled salt), paid a duty, if bagged or barreled, of 15c per 100 lbs, and 25 per cent on the value of the sack or other package. By the new tariff this salt will pay 7½c. per 100 lbs., and 25 per cent. on the package, hence the duty is not reduced quite 50 per cent. The reduction, in our opinion, is a very sensible one, and had the duty been removed on the sack as well, it would not have been amiss, as the 25 per cent. on the value forces importers to use an inferior jute bag to keep down the cost. A good cotton or linen sack should only be used for salt, as so small pieces of jute fibre would then be found in the butter, which is the case at present. Cheese and butter exports amount to quite a sum in the year, and our farmers and dairymen should have some consideration. Owing to the advance of ocean freight of 2s to 2s 6d per ton on dairy salt, the reduction in the duty is somewhat counterbalanced and common salt should advance in price. The reduction in duty has not so far affected the price of the Canadian manufactured article, nor do we think there will be any material reduction for this market.—*Toronto Globe*.

Canned Goods.

The future canned goods market is the coming event whose shadow dealers are trying to discern. Inquiries are beginning to be heard from retailers, but not sufficient interest is yet aroused to be a trustworthy medium on which to launch absolute quotations. Jobbers are not ardent bidders and packers show no disposition to do much business. It looks as if both sides were willing to see a rational basis under the market before they do much. Canned salmon, which had a temporary bad spell last week, owing to cutting on a particular brand, is now in a steady position again, \$1.40 being firm for good brands. There are no canned apples now. Tomatoes are \$1.55 to \$1.60, or 5 to 10c higher than they were a week ago. They are now exceedingly scarce. French peas are dearer in the primary market, the crop being reported short, the finest being almost one-third fewer than they were last year.—*Toronto Greecer*.

Retail grocers of Halifax, N. S., having combined to keep up prices of sugar, a co-operative sugar store was opened where twenty pounds of granulated and twenty-four pounds of yellow are sold for one dollar. The store has a rushing business.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS.

Held at the Banking House of the Institution in Toronto on Wednesday, 17th June, 1891.

The chair was taken by the President, H. S. Howland, and D. R. Wilkie was requested to act as secretary.

There were present: H. S. Howland, T. R. Merritt (St. Cathrines), T. R. Wadsworth (Weston), Robert Jaffray, Hugh Ryan, Rev. E. B. Lawler, George Robinson, R. S. Cassels, A. McFall (Bolton), John Stewart, Major James Mason, R. Beaty, Robert Thompson, W. B. Hamilton, Joseph Koterson, T. Sutherland Stayner, Wm. Ramsay, Major Edward Foster (E. Iscourt), E. B. Osler, Wm. Hendrie (Hamilton), Thomas Long, John Stark, E. L. Atkinson, W. H. Atkinson, W. Hamilton Merritt, R. H. Ramsay, Thos. Walmsley, Anson Jones, D. R. Wilkie, etc.

R. S. Cassels and R. Beaty were appointed to act as scrutineers.

The Secretary, at the request of the Chairman, read the report of the Directors and the statement of affairs.

THE REPORT.

The Directors again have pleasure in meeting the Shareholders of the Bank, and beg to submit the sixteenth annual balance sheet and statement of profit and loss account for the year ended 31st May, 1891.

Out of the profits for the year—

(a) Shareholders have been paid the usual half yearly dividends at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, and, in addition thereto, a bonus of one per cent., amounting in all to \$135,000.

(b) Rest account has been increased by \$50,000.

(c) Bank Premises Account has been credited with \$8,000.

(d) A Fund, amounting to \$27,098.55, has been established to cover rebate on bills discounted current.

The authority vested in the directors by resolution of the shareholders at the annual general meeting held on 20th June, 1889, to allow \$500,000 of additional stock amongst the shareholders was exercised on 18th May, 1891, the new shares being allotted in the proportion of one new share to three old shares, and at a premium of 50 per cent. Shareholders have until 13th August next to accept their allotments.

In accordance with the provisions of the Bank Act (53 Victoria, Cap. 31), which comes in force on 1st July, 1891, satisfactory arrangements have been made for the redemption of the notes in the bank in each province of the Dominion. The Bank of Montreal, the Bank of British Columbia, the Bank of Nova Scotia and the Union Bank of Halifax are the redemption agents of the bank where the bank itself is not represented.

Branches of the bank have been opened during the year at Rat Portage, Ont., and Prince Albert, Sask.

The building occupied by the Bank at Brandon having been found unsuitable for the business of the Bank, a desirable lot adjoining the new post office has been purchased with the view to the erection thereon of suitable premises.

All of which is respectfully submitted,
H. S. HOWLAND, President.

STATEMENT OF PROFITS FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH MAY, 1891.

Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account, 31st May, 1890, brought forward	\$ 48,020 05
Profits for the year ended 30th May, 1891, after deducting charges of management and interest due depositors, and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts	222,823 91
	<u>\$270,843 99</u>

From which has been taken:	
Dividend No. 31, 4 per cent., (paid 1st December, 1890.)	\$ 60,000 00
Dividend No. 32, 4 per cent., payable 1st of June, 1891	60,000 00
Bonus 1 per cent. (payable 1st June, 1891)	15,000 00
	<u>135,000 00</u>
	\$135,843 99

Written off Bank Premises and Furniture Account	8,000 00
Reserve for rebate on Bills Discounted	27,098 55
Carried to Rest Account	50,000 00
	<u>85,098 55</u>

Balance of account carried forward	\$50,750 44
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REST ACCOUNT.

Balance at Credit of Account, 31st May, 1890	\$700,000 00
Transferred from Profit and Loss Account	10,000 00
Premium received on New Capital stock	23,340 00
Balance of account carried forward	\$773,340 00

Sixteenth Annual Balance Sheet, 30th May, 1891.

LIABILITIES.

Notes of Bank in circulation	\$ 1,230,725 00
Deposits not bearing interest	1,456,987 01
Deposits bearing interest	5,288,333 56
Interest accrued on deposit receipt	40,910 69
Due to other banks in Canada	6,786,231 86
	<u>2,133 82</u>
Total Liabilities to the public	\$ 8,019,095 68
Capital stock, old	\$ 1,500,000 00
Capital stock, New	50,710 00
	<u>1,550,710 00</u>
Rest Account	750,000 00
Rest Account, Premium on New Stock	23,340 00
Contingent Account	14,312 00
Dividend No. 32, payable June 1st, 1891, 4 per cent. and bonus 1 per cent.	75,000 00
Former dividends unpaid	422 19
Rebate on bills discounted	27,098 55
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward	50,750 44
	<u>916,923 18</u>
	\$10,522,728 86

ASSETS.

Gold and Silver coin	\$312,358 01
Dominion Government notes	730,881 00
	<u>1,043,239 01</u>
Notes of and checks on other banks.	197,357 00
Balance due from other banks in Canada	351,556 23
Balance due from agents in foreign countries	315,447 59
Balance due from agents in the United Kingdom	48,636 64
Dominion of Canada debentures	\$101,407 31
Province of Ontario securities	417,110 51
Municipal and other debentures	447,090 08
	<u>1,025,607 80</u>
Loans on call secured by stocks and debentures	751,456 23
	<u>3,763,300 67</u>

Total Assets immediately available	
Loans to Municipal and other Corporations	1,090,918 84
Other current loans, discounts and advances	5,225,870 84
Notes discounted overdue, unsecured (Estimated loss provided for)	9,930 00
Notes discounted overdue, secured	29,493 00
Real estate, the property of the bank (other than bank premises)	62,740 00
Mortgages on real estate sold by the bank	95,214 00
Bank premises, including safes, vaults and office furniture, at head office and branches	177,817 00
Other assets, not included under foregoing heads	4,383 00
	<u>\$10,522,728 86</u>

D. R. WILKIE,
Cashier.

The usual votes of thanks were passed to the President and Directors, also to the Cashier and other officers, for their attention and zeal in promoting the interests of the Bank.

The ballot was then taken for the election of Directors, which resulted in the election of the following shareholders, viz., H. S. Howland, T. R. Merritt, Wm. Ramsay, T. R. Wadsworth, Robert Jaffray, Hugh Ryan, T. Sutherland Stayner.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. Henry S. Howland was elected president, and Mr. Thomas R. Merritt vice-president for the ensuing year.

Grain and Milling.

Alex. McGaw, of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, informed a press representative that his company is now engaged in constructing eight or ten elevators of 35,000 bushels capacity each. The company is also refitting the elevator at Keewatin, and in a short time it will be able to handle thirty-five cars daily.

At a meeting held at Napinka, Man., it was resolved, "that this meeting through its secretary advertise in newspapers, inviting proposals to build a grist mill at Napinka, and that this meeting adjourns until this day four weeks, to then consider the proposals." Also, "that this meeting request Coun. Titus to bring the question of building a grist mill at Napinka before the Council of Winchester, and get an expression of opinion on the said question."

A meeting of the reeves of the rural municipalities contiguous to Winnipeg will be held on July 17th, to consider the submitting of a by-law to the ratepayers of these municipalities to raise \$10,000 to be given as a bonus for the erection of a flour mill in Winnipeg for the accommodation of the farmers of said municipalities. It is understood that an offer from the Ogilvie Milling Company, one from McMillan and one from a milling company in Ontario will be submitted to the meeting.

Work has been commenced upon the Farmers' elevator at Carman, Man. Edward F. Head, of Portage la Prairie, furnished the plans. The building will be 40x50 feet, 88 feet high, capacity 60,000 bushels, double receiving bins, 25 horse-power. David Pritchard is the secretary and managing director of the company, and W. H. Clendenning president. The Carman Standard says: "There is now some talk of building a fourth elevator during the summer, as it is doubtful if three elevators will be able to properly handle the immense crop which is likely to be marketed during the fall and winter."

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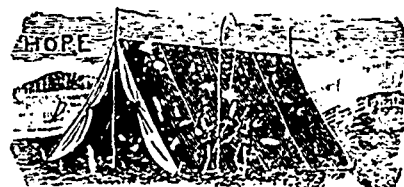
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The Fur Trade.

The New York *Fur Trade Review* says "Business is already extremely active", and the indications are that the consumption will be very large, particularly in the cloak trade. Many articles are in demand, but the skins most largely in request are the astrakhan, mink, skunk, krimmer, moufflons, coney and dyed opossum. The demand for astrakhan constantly exceeds the supply; mink is becoming scarce, and skunk is not abundant; krimmer meets with marked favor, the large curl and light color being most in request. Moufflons sell steadily, and coneys of all varieties are booming. Seal will undoubtedly maintain its leading position."

The Leipzig (Germany) correspondent of the *Fur Trade Review*, writes that journal as follows: "Business during the latter part of May was active, especially in Russian furs; astrakhan is very largely in demand, the United States taking large parcels; there is also considerable speculation, and prices of raw skins in Russia are continually advancing. Persians also continue to sell freely; firm prices are expected at Nijni Novgorod, this year. Marked fluctuations have been noted in grey krimmer: some firms sold very low after the Easter fair, but orders coming forward from America, prices suddenly advanced fully ten per cent.; large curl is preferred. There has been some demand for good ermine. Though the supply is large the request for squirrel tails continues; dark natural tails are preferred; prices are high. Large stocks of squirrel skins are still on hand; it is believed that the supply for next season will be comparatively small. White hares have sold slowly of late. Moufflons, white and in all fancy dyes, have been frequently ordered for America and other countries. Raw and dressed mink is in good request, the demand coming from Russia, Germany and the United States, for cheaper descriptions. Marten is quiet; sea otter, silver fox and fisher have again been taken for Russia. We believe business in American furs would be better were it not for the gross injustice of expelling Jews from Moscow, which it is feared may be greatly extended. Musquash has been taken for Russia and for seal imitation; stocks of finished skins are fairly large; lower grades of musquash are in constant demand. Skunk sells well for wholesale manufacture; best blacks are scarce; original mixed parcels also freely taken. Black and brown bear sell well for rugs with mounted heads. Nutria is in good request; best and lowest grades taken. A new skunk imitation is produced with Japanese fox—it is very good. South American guanaco skins have been offered here; sale slow."

The London (England) correspondent of the *Fur Trade Review*, writes: "The fur trade generally the past month has been very disappointing, as business has not been nearly so brisk as was anticipated, although a steady trade has been done. C. M. Lampson & Co.'s sale resulted as we anticipated, and there is very little alteration in prices to chronicle, for although the now fashionable skunk dropped slightly, when we take into consideration the difference in quality between the goods offered last month and March, the prices ruled very nearly the same. Squirrel lock linings is one of the best articles just now and prices are very firm, Wiatkas fetching from 22s 6d to 24s and good Siberian 26s to 28s, and our impression is that this article will have a good sale, as our manufacturers are lining the fashionable cape with it, and as this garment has become a favorite there is no doubt it will sell throughout the autumn and winter. Squirrel back linings are rather out of favor just now, except the very fine Sakamina goods. Stone and baum marten tails are not selling quite so freely, and prices are a little easier than last month. Persian lambs—Although the sale of this article has improved since our last, yet the demand is nothing to be compared with last year. Dressed and pulled Nutria is being taken up very freely by the mantle houses and some good parcels have changed hands lately. Grey fox—We have a very good opinion of this article and believe it will sell very freely amongst the mantle houses for the autumn trade. Squirrel tail boas—Although the prices are ruling very high, yet there is a steady demand, and they will be fashionable again this winter in spite of the severe competition of the cockfeather boa. There were offered for sale on the 3d inst. 22,000 salted Newfoundland hair seals sorted in the following manner: 12,000 first large whitecoats, which fetched 6s 8d to 6s 9d; 4,200 first small whitecoats, which fetched 6s 1d to 6s 4d, 4,100 second large whitecoats, which fetched 4s 6d, 1,300 second small whitecoats, which fetched 4s 8d to 4s 11d. It is many years since such a large parcel of whitecoats has been offered, and coming as it did after the dearth of skins last year will account for the above prices. These goods came direct from St. Johns, and there is another lot of 63,000 skins advertised for sale on the 24th instant, but these, of course, will not be all whitecoats."

The veterinary department of the Imperial Privy council, has cabled the Minister of Agriculture, insisting upon a space of two feet eight inches on all decks, but agreeing to accept a space of two inches less for stockers.

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INCREASES MADE LAST YEAR.

In Income,	\$55,108 00	In New Business.....	\$706,967 00
In Assets,	\$417,141 00	In Business in Force.....	\$1,600,376 00
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