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**WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 9, 1889**

MRS PRENTICE, fruit, Winnipeg, has sold out to J. Panaro.

F. E. BIRD, books and stationery, Winnipeg, is disposing of his business.

E. PENNER & Co., general store, Rhineland, Man., have been burnt out.

THE Calgary Street Car Railway Company (Limited) is applying for incorporation.

STROME & WHITLAW, general store, Brandon, will dissolve partnership, first of February.

THE Crown Brewing Company, Brandon, has leased its brewery to J. H. Woodley for a number of years, who will carry on the business as usual.

S. HARTFORD, general merchant, who has a store at Neepawa station, about a mile from the main town, has opened a branch store in Neepawa.

D. MOORE has sold out his store business at Neepawa, Man., to J. Patterson, and will move to Arden, where he contemplates erecting a roller flour mill.

THE Manitoba and Northwestern Railway company will apply for the passage of an act to amend its charter in respect of the limit to the issue of debenture stock.

S. A. HAMILTON, hardware dealer, Emerson, Man., who recently opened a branch at Morden, has sold out his stock at the latter place to Geo. L. Ashdown, also in the hardware trade at Morden.

ABOUT \$45,000 was taken in by Brandon city treasurer McMillan last week for taxes. One deposit by him in the Imperial bank was upwards of \$20,000. Most of the business men in the city paid up their taxes last week, says the Sun, saving the ten per cent. discount.

ABRAHAMS & ESAU, general store, Rhineland, are reported to have sold out to E. Penner & Co.

GARRETT & MENNIE, of Morden, Man., have received from the east a foundry outfit which they will erect at Morden in time for the spring trade.

R. SCOTT, general merchant, Shoal Lake, Man., and owner of the creamery at that place, will go to Vancouver to arrange a market for next year's butter. Creamery butter will be put up in tins for foreign shipment.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway steamer Alberta left Port Arthur on Monday last for Owen Sound on the last trip of the season. This practically closes navigation at Port Arthur, though the harbor was still free of ice.

McGIFPIN & CAMPBELL have opened a full stock of hardware, paints, oils, etc., in the new town of Miami, Man. The gentlemen were recently connected with the hardware trade in Winnipeg, and are well posted in the business.

WM. MURDOCH, C. E., of Port Arthur, is preparing plans for the new dam which is to be built on the Winnipeg river near Rat Portage, to replace the one partly washed away some time ago. The old dam was at the mouth of the river, but the new one is to be placed, according to Mr. Murdoch's recommendations, about half a mile up the stream.

THE stock-in-trade of the estate of the late John Spring, consisting of ready-made clothing and gent's furnishings, was disposed of by auction last Tuesday. Ripstein purchased the stock at 570 Main street, valued at \$7,231.45, at 60½ cents on the dollar. Thos. Brownlow, dry goods and clothing dealer, Winnipeg, purchased the stock at 434 Main Street, valued at \$18,726.89, at 62½ cents.

THE Great Northwest Central railway company is asking a bonus from the city of Brandon to assist in the erection of a bridge across the Assiniboine river, amounting to \$30,000. The council has been advised by the city solicitor that the city has no power to grant bonuses according to law at present existing. The Northwest Central railway has received a valuable land grant, and this should be sufficient, without endeavoring to extract bonuses from municipalities.

THE Saskatchewan Colonization Railway company will apply at Ottawa for a charter to construct a railway from Portage la Prairie or Westbourne, or a point on the proposed line of the Lake Manitoba railway and canal company, as direct a route as may be found convenient to a point near the junction of Carrot and Saskatchewan rivers; also for power to construct and operate a branch line to Lake Winnipeg near the mouth of the Saskatchewan.

A CABLE from London, England, last week says:—"The Hudson Bay Company's report states that the total quantities of furs returned from the current outfit are somewhat smaller than last year, owing chiefly to mortality and distress among the Indians. The land sales for the seven months, ending October, show a marked improvement on last year. The latter statement fully agrees with the general tone of advices received here favorably influencing Northwest stocks generally."

THE municipality of Cornwallis, Brandon county, Man., has decided to force the hand of the Canadian Pacific Railway in the suit against Cornwallis which is a suit instituted

sometime ago to compel the municipality to refund the taxes paid to prevent the Canadian Pacific Railway lands being sold for taxes. The vital question of paramount importance to all the municipal corporations throughout the province is involved, viz: as to whether Canadian Pacific Railway lands are taxable. H. E. Henderson for the municipality has served the company's solicitors with a notice that he intends to bring the matter speedily before the courts for a decision.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE Review, Dec. 4: The wheat market has taken quite an upward bound and the buyers quoted the price yesterday as 65 to 70c. We heard of one load that was sold for 73c. and we know of quite a large quantity that was sold in store for 72c. Oats remain at last weeks figures. Potatoes 75c. and scarce. Beef is very slow on the market and brings 5c. dressed; pork 5 to 5½c.; chickens 8 to 10c; turkeys 14c.; hules 2c. Hay \$6 to \$7 per ton.

NEARLY fourteen miles of the track of the Port Arthur, Duluth & Western railway have been laid, says the Port Arthur Sentinel, and only a short distance remains to bring it to the government bridge and within five miles of the Beaver mine. The contractors are now ballasting the portion laid. A sleigh road will be opened from the bridge to the falls. Storehouses, stables, etc., are being built at the bridge, which will be working headquarters for the winter.

THE Manitou Mercury says: Chalmers Bros. & Bethune are now engaged in moving their hardware stock into their fine new premises adjoining the old stand. The firm has gone to considerable expense, and it is safe to say that the new structure when completed will be one of the neatest and most convenient stores in Southern Manitoba. The plate glass front presents a decidedly attractive appearance, and the building throughout is being fitted and finished in a style which will reflect credit on the enterprise of the proprietors.

A COMPARISON of the customs returns at Port Arthur for the months of November 1888 and 1889 show very favorably for the present year. The returns are as follows:

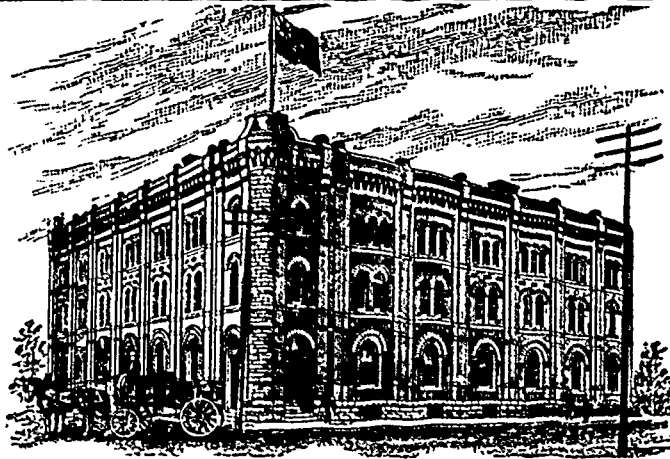
	1888.	1889.
Value of Goods Imported .....	\$26,793 00	\$38,992 00
Value of Goods Imported for consumption .....	27,289 00	38,992 00
Duty Collected .....	7,040 39	6,892 67
Goods Exported .....	42,537 00	1,392 00

The produce of the mines exported amounted to \$41,561.

CONSIDERABLE excitement was caused at Port Arthur one day last week, when a bailiff, at the instance of the tax collector, seized a locomotive and seventeen cars, the property of the Canadian Pacific Railway, for taxes due the town by the company. The question of taxes between the town and the company has been in dispute for years, and the taxes have not been paid, and now amount to \$15,000. Early this year the council made a proposition to the company to remit half the taxes due and exempt all improvements of the company for the future, taxing only land in consideration of the company agreeing to continue running passenger steamers and doing a package freight business there. As the company didn't comply with the proposition the council permitted the tax collector to seize the property.

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**Eastern Business Changes.**  
 ONTARIO.

Geo. Davis, hotel, Toronto, is dead.  
 Berlin Shoe Co., Berlin, have assigned.  
 M. Stanley, carriages, Perth, has assigned.  
 P. T. Green, tobacco, Ottawa; burned out.  
 J. M. Duncan, grocer, Elora, has assigned.  
 Dobie & Stewart, foundry, Thorold; burned out.  
 H. E. Robinson, grocer, Ingersoll; sold out.  
 R. Uglow, stationery, Ottawa; damaged by fire.  
 D. McPherson, sawmill, Comber, is burned out.  
 William Cumming, grocer, Hamilton, has assigned.  
 W. G. Fairweather, grocer, Hamilton, has closed.  
 Octave Lemay, carriage, Pembroke, has assigned.  
 J. R. Wrightson, printer, Prescott, has assigned.  
 Hy. Ruthven, confectioner, Toronto, has assigned.  
 Samuel Hopkins, tinsmith, Welland, has assigned.  
 R. A. Besson, crockery, Windsor, has assigned.  
 Mrs. W. Smith, grocer, Hamilton; out of business.  
 D. N. Hogg, dry goods, Stratford; winding up business.  
 G. M. Willson, handles, etc., Essex Centre, has assigned.  
 W. R. Howarth, cabinetmaker, Fonthill, has assigned.  
 F. H. Allan, merchant, Bathurst township, has assigned.  
 Wm. Fisher, general store, Campbellford, has assigned.  
 M. Joffrett & Co., manufacturers, Toronto, have assigned.  
 W. J. Hobbs, general store, Delhi; out of business here.  
 J. A. Dermott, merchant, Hinchinbrooke township, has assigned.  
 E. A. Leviau & Co., manufacturer of neckties, Toronto, have assigned.  
 J. E. Trelford, stoves and tins, Allenford, has removed to Markdale.

Wm. Robertson, manufacturer of ginger beer, Toronto, has assigned.  
**QUEBEC.**

E. Fortin, shoes, Hull; offering compromise.  
 L. Winestein, clothing, Coaticook, has assigned.  
 J. O. Bellerose, founder, Sorel, has assigned.  
 Crevier & Cusson, tinsmith, Montreal, have assigned.  
 Narcisse Masse, jr., tins, Three Rivers, has assigned.  
 Tugeon & Cariveau, traders, Beaumont; suspended.  
 Nazrire Prevost, sash and door factory, Sorel, has assigned.  
 P. G. Brossard, dry goods, Three Rivers, has assigned.  
 Frappier & Frechette, manufacturer of cigars, Montreal; dissolved.  
 Wm. Silverstone, manufacturer of raccoon coats, Montreal; offering compromise.

**Dry Goods at Toronto.**

The present weather has had the expected effect upon business, in the country places preventing the farmers from reaching the market with their produce, thus effectively putting a stop to sales. As the season has now considerably advanced, fall stocks of goods are not much broken into, and the prospects are that large stocks will be held over by both wholesalers and retailers. This, of course, will necessitate the carrying of a large amount of overdue paper by wholesale merchants, and a very considerable demand for increased discounts at the banks.

The bright side, if it may so be called, is that prices of all kinds of manufactured dry goods are advancing both here and in England and the United States, as well as on the continent of Europe, thereby making all goods on hand better value than if purchased now or for future delivery.

The last wool sales reported from London noticed prices up 10 per cent. In many lines new lists of prices have been made out, with the prospect of further advances along this line; while, indeed, prices on raw and manufactured materials have advanced, wholesalers are decidedly adverse to putting figures up more than

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they can help. Had business been up to expectations during the past two months prices would already have shown an advance.

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**Toronto Grocery Market.**

A healthy one prevails in the sugar market. Whites are unchanged, and yellows are firmer at 5c up. Syrups and molasses steady and unchanged.

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Paris lump.....	0 07½	0 08½
Extra ground ...	0 08½	0 08½
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Mocha.....	0 25	0 28
Java .....	0 22	0 23
Porto Rico.....	0 20	0 22

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Rice, bags.....	\$0 03½	to \$0 04
Rice, Patna.....	0 05½	0 05½
Rice, Carolina .....	0 05	0 06
Sago .....	0 03½	0 06
Tapioca .....	0 06½	0 07
Pepper, black .....	0 22	0 25
Pepper, white.....	0 35	0 40
Ginger, Jamaica.....	0 25	0 30
Cloves .....	0 25	0 40
Allspice .....	0 12	0 15
Nutmegs .....	0 75	1 20
Cream tartar.....	0 25	0 30

—*Empire.*

A large portion of the Dominion Illustrated for Nov. is devoted to military matters. A most instructive article on British Columbia, especially the wonderful growth of Vancouver, from the pen of Mr. Arthur Spragge, will gratify those who are concerned in the progress of our Pacific Province. Dominion Illustrated Publishing Company, 73 St. James street, Montreal, and 38 King street East, Toronto.

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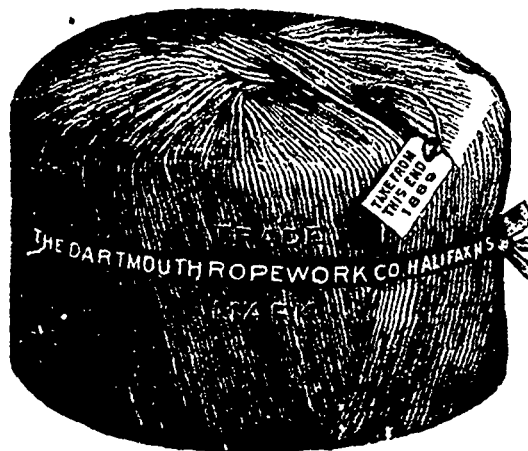
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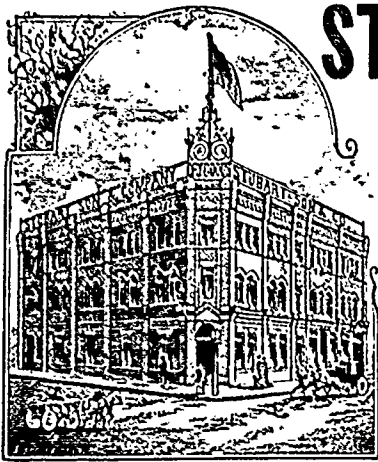
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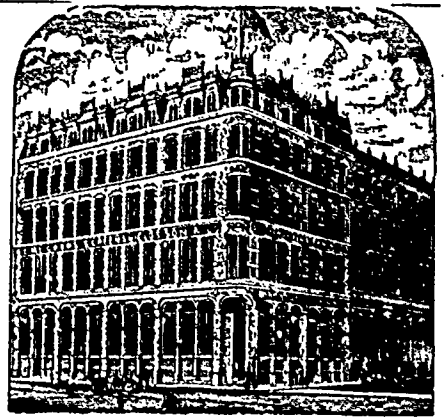


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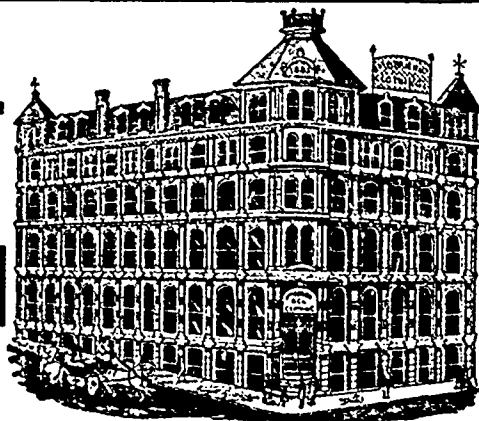
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# The Commercial

WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 9, 1889.

## THE BANK STATEMENT.

The last bank statement for Canada shows a considerable decrease in circulation for the month of October, as compared with the same month in previous years. For October of this year the bank circulation is placed at \$35,233,000. This is about one million dollars less than for October, 1888, and two million dollars less than October, 1887. There is always a large expansion of circulation in October, due to the marketing of the crop. This year, with an early harvest, the conditions were favorable to a large circulation. The result must therefore be attributed to a short harvest or to a considerable movement on the part of farmers to hold their produce. The lower prices would also have the effect of lessening bank circulation, even with the free marketing of produce. The wheat crop in Ontario is known to be light, and prices are so low that farmers are dissatisfied. No doubt many who are able will hold for better prices. Barley, a leading crop in Ontario, is also ruling very low in price this year, so that it would require a larger crop at present prices to put the average amount of money in circulation. But with a rather light crop and low prices combined, the decrease in bank circulation can readily be accounted for. The effect of this lighter circulation is noticeable in the complaints of slow collections in wholesale branches of trade.

At the same time that this comparative decrease in circulation is noted, deposits in the banks have not shown the increase which is expected from the public during October. Dominion Government deposits with the chartered banks have also been reduced by over three and a half million dollars. This with total discounts reaching the unusually large figures of 182,843,000, and with reserves over six million dollars under a year ago, gives a close tendency to the financial situation, under which conditions rates of interest will likely continue to show an advancing inclination.

## TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT.

The agitation in the Territories for a larger measure of responsible government has again been forced to the front, by the recent difficulty between the Governor and the assembly over financial matters. The last changes made in the mode of governing the Territories does not seem to have brought even temporary relief, and the advisory board scheme is already looked upon as a farce. The principal revenue of the Territories is the Dominion grant, and this the Lieutenant-Governor claims is a matter exclusively for his own administration. He has accordingly refused to take his Advisory Council or the Assembly into his confidence or even ask their advice in administering this fund. The Governor holds that the Advisory Council has control only of the local Territorial revenue, which is a very small portion of the total revenue when the Dominion grant is included. Under this contention the governor has control of a very much larger portion of the revenue than is left

for the administration of the assembly, and he refused to be responsible to the assembly for the expenditure of the Dominion grant. On the other hand the assembly consider that they should have control of all funds and expenditures. A memorial has been prepared and forwarded to the Minister of the Interior, asking that the doubtful clauses in the Territories Act be so amended as to give the assembly full control of the entire revenue. This only looks reasonable, that moneys voted for governmental purposes in the Territories should be under the control of the representatives of the people, rather than placed in the hands of an autocratic Governor. The memorial asks that the Advisory Council should be reduced to three members, who should be paid for their services, and that the Governor should not be a member of the Council. A paid Advisory Council would no doubt undertake to prepare legislation for the consideration of the assembly. One of the present difficulties is, that there is no responsible body to perform such work.

The results of the last session have shown that further changes are required in the mode of governing the Territories, and no doubt some patching will be done to the Territories Act at the next session of Parliament. It is not likely, however, that anything short of full responsible government will satisfy at least the leaders of the movement in the Territories. There are no doubt some members of the Assembly who for personal motives would like to see the present legislative body blossom out into a provincial Legislature, with a full fledged government. Altogether, however, the movement for a larger share of responsible government must be considered an honest one, and as already stated, the necessity seems to exist for some change in the mode of administering the affairs of our Territories.

## UNITED STATES SHIPPING.

Protecting the shipping and ship building interests in the United States has not worked very satisfactorily to those interests. The ocean carrying trade of that country has now practically passed into the hands of foreign shipping. In 1856 over 75 per cent. of all goods imported and exported were carried under the national flag. For the current year only about 12 per cent have been thus transported, while about 88 per cent were carried in foreign bottoms and under a foreign flag. A writer in the *New York Journal of Commerce* says:—

"For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, the foreign imports and exports to foreign ports, of the United States, as corrected up to the latest date, amounted to \$1,613,137,525. Leaving out the specie and bullion, which nearly all came and went in foreign steamers, and the transportation in cars and other land carriage, all of which outside of our borders was conveyed by alien hands, we have left as the value of produce and merchandise, exclusive of specie, transported to and from this country by sea, \$1,420,869,516 during the year. Of this only \$203,806,278 came and went in home vessels, and \$1,217,063,238 in foreign vessels. This would show about 14½ per cent of the commerce as carried under the United States flag, and 85½ per cent under foreign flags. But brought down to date, with the specie added, the proportions are about 12 per cent home and 88 per cent foreign of the entire carrying trade."

This result has been brought about by protection. First the raw material for ship build-

ing is taxed, then the purchase of foreign built ships for sailing the national flag is prohibited. The navigation laws forbid the purchase and registration of foreign built ships on any terms. While wooden ships were in vogue the United States was able to hold its own, and was one of the foremost countries of the world in point of tonnage owned. But when iron began to supercede wood in ship building, the tonnage of the United States soon began to disappear, until it has sunk to its present insignificant proportions. The protectionists urged that if merchants were allowed to go abroad to purchase their ships, shipbuilding would become a lost art at home. Under the existing conditions, however, shipbuilding has become very nearly a lost art and United States shipping almost an unknown commodity.

The protectionist have claimed that the difficulty in the way of United States shipping is the high wages paid to sailors, in comparison with the officers and crews of foreign ships. To overcome this they have urged a Government bonus to home ships, in the form of tonnage bounties. This plea of higher wages, however, was effectually disposed of by statements produced at the recent meeting of the Tariff Reform League, at Boston, where it was shown that the British Atlantic lines of steamship companies pay as high wages as is customary in the coasting trade of the United States, the latter trade being done entirely by native ships. The further claim of the protectionists that British shipping had been built up by subsidies was shown to be very absurd by the statement that less than one per cent of British shipping receives compensation for carrying mails. Shackled as the shipping interest of the United States is by "protection," it would take a pretty large allowance in the way of subsidies to greatly improve the condition of the shipping of that country. The way to build up United States shipping would seem to be to give it less protection and more freedom.

## FLOUR MILLING SYNDICATES.

From the recent gigantic transactions in flour milling, it would seem that another revolution is to take place in the milling industry. The milling business has undergone a great change of recent years. Large merchant mills have been springing into existence and crowding out the smaller enterprises. The many wonderful improvements in milling machinery have accelerated this movement, and tended to consolidate the industry in fewer hands, and larger individual establishments. The improvements in machinery have tended to cheapen the cost of production, until flour milling has been reduced almost to a science. The great merchant mills, with their latest makes of machinery, and staid economy are enabled to turn out flour at a very low cost, and by manufacturing on a gigantic scale, a small margin sufficeth for profit. To such a fine point has the business been reduced, that the least shaving either way in the cost of production, will result in a profit or a loss as the case may be. Under these conditions the smaller mills are at a disadvantage; though there will probably always be a field for a small class of mills, established at county points, for local and farmers' custom trade.

The movement now is one of still further con-



traction, in the direction of consolidating the great merchant mills under the control of huge corporations. In referring to the formation of the Pillsbury & Washburn Flour Mills Company, at Minneapolis, the *Northwestern Miller* says:

"As in the last great change in the trade, from old methods to new, the northwest is the first to feel the altering conditions and takes the initiative in the new order of things which appears to have come about. The last great revolution in the milling trade was purely mechanical and had to do simply with the method of making flour. Since then, so radical was the change from old to new, and so marvellous the results thereof, that many believed another change must shortly ensue. The question as to whence it would come, what its character would be and when it would appear, has been a fruitful subject for speculation. May it not be that the new and great change in the trade which now appears imminent is a revolution of its commercial side and has to do not with the method of making the flour, but with the economical handling and disposal thereof?"

One of the features of flour milling has been the establishment of great flour manufacturing centres, such as Minneapolis, St. Louis, Budapest, Hungary, etc. The formation of the Pillsbury-Washburn combination would seem to indicate the consolidation of the milling industries of these great centres into great companies. Complaints have been heard of over competition in milling, and so it seems that over competition is to lead to the end of all competition. At any rate, since the introduction of the new system of milling, the capacity for flour production has been rapidly increased. Indeed, the scaling down of the cost of manufacturing and the reduction in the margin of profit, has rendered production on a large scale necessary, in order that aggregate profits might be kept up. With increasing production, extra efforts would be put forth to dispose of the commodity, leading to cutting in prices, consignments to overloaded markets, etc. And when competition has reached its limit, the next move is, naturally combination.

The consolidation of the milling industry of America is to be done apparently with British capital, and the first movement is the formation of the Pillsbury-Washburn Flour Milling Company representing a capacity of 14,000 barrels daily, and controlling two water powers and vast elevator interests. The mills of the new combination are located at Minneapolis with the exception of one at Anoka, Minnesota and include the Pillsbury A mill, which has actually turned out 7,200 barrels of flour in 24 hours, and is claimed to be the largest mill in the world; the Pillsbury B mill, which can grind 2,500 barrels daily; the Anchor mill, with a capacity of 1,500 barrels per day; the Palisade mill, capacity 2,000 barrels daily; and the Lincoln mill at Anoka, with a capacity of 1,000 barrels per day. These mills, with their large elevators, machine shops, etc., pass into the hands of the new company. The three mills first mentioned were controlled by the Pillsbury company, and the two latter by the Washburn company. The Minneapolis and Northern Elevator company, owning 132 elevators, ranging from 5,000 to 140,000 bushel capacity, all on the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba railway, and the Atlantic Elevator Co., with eighteen elevators, and twenty-six warehouses on the Minneapolis and Pacific branch of the Soo road, and an elevator of 500-

000 bushels capacity in Minneapolis, also fall into the hands of the company. In addition to these properties, there are the two water powers, valued at many hundred thousand dollars.

One feature of the movement to consolidate milling interests is that it is being accomplished with the aid of British capital, and is an outgrowth of the rage for the investment of British capital in American industrial concerns. In the milling as in other enterprise of a similar nature, the stock of the combination will be placed on the London market. The mode of conducting the companies is usually a board of directors in London and a local board of management. In the case of the Pillsbury-Washburn company, Chas. A. Pillsbury will be manager for five years, with John S. Pillsbury and W. D. Washburn, acting as the committee of management in America. The stock of the concern placed on the market amounts to about \$7,000,000.

### CHINESE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

There is certainly a great deal of opposition to the Chinese in British Columbia, and the popular voice is thoroughly opposed to Chinese immigration into the province. The great bulk of the population would prefer to see the Mongolians entirely excluded from the province, rather than countenance any movement toward removing existing restrictions upon Chinese immigration. The hint thrown on by the British Columbia delegation of cannery men at Ottawa recently, that the removal of the Chinese tax of \$50 per capita would be in the interest of their industry, has therefore drawn forth severe condemnation from a portion of the press and people of the Pacific province. Still, as previously stated in these columns, there is quite an influential section of the community who do not look with disfavor upon the Chinese. This section, though not numerically large, represents a very considerable portion of the wealth of the province, and includes the large employers of labor in mining, fishery and other industrial interests. The popular will, however, as voiced by the large majority of the people, is decidedly opposed to the Chinese, and would view with marked disfavor any attempt to mitigate the severity of the laws intended to restrict Chinese immigration. Those who earn their living in any employment to which the Chinese may be admitted, look upon the Mongolian as a competitor from whom they should be protected, while to the citizens generally the presence of the Chinaman is distasteful. On the other hand "John" is only tolerated or desired by the large employers of labor in certain lines, because he furnishes a cheap industrial population.

### CANADA'S MINERAL WEALTH.

It is reported from Ottawa that the Government has decided to abolish the duty on mining machinery. This will be good news to those interested in the mining industry. It is claimed that Canada possesses greater undeveloped mineral wealth than any country in the world. When we think of the vastness of the territory included in the Dominion of Canada, covering half a continent, and spreading over about 3,500,000 square miles of largely undeveloped

territory, one will be inclined to admit the probability of the assertion, almost without inquiring into the mineral resources of the country. But when it is considered that immense stretches of this vast region are known as mineral territories, and that more or less mineral wealth is found in almost every portion of Canada, the truth of the assertion can hardly be doubted.

Commencing with the lower provinces, Nova Scotia, including Cape Breton, is known to be rich in gold, iron, gypsum, and vast coal fields, etc. New Brunswick has mines of coal, iron, lead, asphalt, and other coarser minerals. Quebec has copper, lead, iron, valuable phosphate mines, gold, etc. The great province of Ontario, covers an area of nearly 200,000 square miles, a large portion of which is considered chiefly valuable for its mineral resources, especially in the western and northwestern portion of the province. The principal minerals of Ontario are gold, silver, copper, iron, petroleum, salt, phosphate, lead, gypsum and a long list of less valuable minerals. In silver, copper and iron Ontario is especially rich. The great Lake Superior territory of the province has been famous for its wealth in those minerals for years, but development has not been in keeping with the resources of the country. A number of silver mines are working in the Thunder Bay territory, but the ore from these mines is sent from one to two thousand miles for smelting which entails a heavy expense, and prevents the utilizing of lower grade ores. A smelter would prove a capital investment in this district. Westward there is the Lake of the Woods district claimed to be rich in gold and other minerals. Even the prairie divisions of Canada have their minerals. Manitoba has coal in the southwest, and vast deposits of the finest iron ores in the the Lake Winnipeg region, salt in different sections, indications of petroleum, lime and other stone, etc. The coal fields of the territories west of Manitoba are perhaps the most extensive in the world. The exact boundaries of these western coal beds are not known, but the outcroppings occur hundreds of miles apart. Vast beds of petroleum exist in the north, and further discoveries have recently been reported from southwestern Alberta. Gold is found in streams flowing eastward from the Rocky Mountains. There is a vast territory yet largely unknown, stretching across the continent to the north of the settled portions, which may yet show great mineral wealth. Lastly, there is the province of British Columbia, with its area of nearly 350,000 square miles, which may be considered all a mineral territory and where almost everything in the mineral line may be found, though hardly anything outside of the coal mines of Vancouver Island and the placer gold deposits of the interior have been developed to any extent. The iron deposits of Texada Island have been worked to some extent, but the ore is carried to the State of Washington for reduction. British Columbia has coal, iron, gold, silver, lead, copper, mercury, platinum, antimony, plumbago, mica, and numerous other minerals in abundance, awaiting development.

Every encouragement should be given to the development of this great heritage, so only through development can it become the source of wealth to the country which it should be. The tax upon mining machinery can therefore be well dispensed with.

**Hay.**

Both the city daily papers contained statements last week to the effect that hay was likely to advance rapidly to very high prices, as the majority of farmers are short in their supply. This opinion seems to be mere assumption, and is not entertained by dealers. So far this year offerings of hay on the market have been quite liberal, and there has been yet no indication of a shortage in this direction. Dealers report that the offerings of baled hay at outside points for shipment to the city, are very large, and they are of opinion that there is abundance of hay for all requirements. Some claim that hay is likely to be cheaper toward spring than it is now, especially if the present open weather holds out long. The quantity of hay consumed in mild weather, such as has prevailed so far this year, is not nearly as large as would be used in cold weather. The prospect of a shortage owing to the light hay crop last year, induced a great many to put up all the hay they could secure, and nearly all dealers believe that the supply is abundant for all probable requirements.

**Financial Notes.**

The corporation of Nanaimo, B.C., will invite proposals for the purchase of \$5,000 Debentures in accordance with the recently ratified by-law, the proceeds to be devoted to the construction of a bridge across the Bastion street ravine.

GENERAL MANAGER GRAHAM, of the Northern Pacific & Manitoba railway, returned east Thursday from a trip to the end of the track on the Morris-Brandon line. He reports the track now three miles beyond Wawa-Nessa, near Souris City, and within about twenty miles of Brandon. He says the bridging has been completed and the line placed in such shape that no further delays can occur in laying the track. If the gang is able to keep up the old record and lay to miles of rail a day, the line ought to be into Brandon by Christmas. Mr. Graham is much pleased with the town site and the prospects of Wawa-Nessa. He believes it will yet be the best town on the line, although he has a high opinion of Miami. The road is in excellent condition. A large amount of grain has been marketed along the line.—Sun.

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**WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.**

There is some diversity in reports as to returns of collections to wholesale houses, which is a pleasant change from the generally gloomy reports which have been given all along. Though the general conditions of slowness in payments seem to prevail in most branches of trade, yet in a few instances dealers report that their returns for the month of November, have not been altogether satisfactory, and in one or two instances will compare favorably with other years. All around, however, circulation is not as free as it should be at this time of year. The light movement in wheat has brought a slackening in the call for funds from grain circles.

**WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.**

The continued mild weather which has characterized this season, has not been to the liking of dealers in heavy winter goods, fuel, etc., and a good deal of grumbling is consequently heard in such branches. Business in fur goods has not been up to expectations, and it is now so late in the season that dealers hardly expect an active trade in these lines, even should a sharp spell set in. Sorting trade in clothing and dry goods has not been as large as expected all around, no doubt partly due at least to mild weather. The feature in textiles is the advancing tendency in woollens. The London wool market has advanced 10 per cent, and this gives additional strength to woolen manufactures. Hardware and iron goods holds firm and the advances have apparently come to stay for a while. Sugars maintain their firmer tone, and the upward movement is expected to hold out. Valencia raisins as well as some other dried fruits are active and higher, especially in valencias, which have experienced quite an exciting upward movement.

**DRIED FRUITS.**

Valencia raisins continue very firm in outside markets. At Toronto the *Empire* says dealers are disposed to hold for their customers rather than sell in large lots, owing to strong prices, and later the same paper says: "The excitement in the Valencia market continues. Prices here are steadily but surely advancing. Round lots sold on the street to-day at 6½c. All houses wired travellers to advance prices to 6½ to 7c for off-stalk, and 9 to 9½c for selected layers. In some instances retail lots sold at 6½c. Stocks here are comparatively light. Replies to cables sent to England for quotations were that they could not quote. Prices have advanced 3s. in a week, and supplies there are very light." Currants were quoting ½c higher in eastern markets. Quotations here are as follows:—California London layer raisins, \$3.25 per box, do, ½ boxes, \$1.00; Valencia raisins, \$2.25 box; newcurrants, 6½c pound; dried apples 6½c to 7½c per pound, evaporated apples, 12½c; Figs in 10 lb. boxes, per lb., 15c to 16c; choice now season figs 18c lb; Fancy Elme layer figs, 25 lb boxes, 25c lb; figs in 1 lb. cartons, per doz., \$1.75; Golden dates, in 50 lb. boxes, per lb, 9c; California evaporated fruit—apricots, per lb., 18c to 20c; fancy peeled peaches, per lb., 24c to 27c; pitted plums, 12½c; raspberries, 32½c; French prunes, 12½c per lb; Nectarines, 18c.

**FISH AND OYSTERS.**

The first load of fresh caught Lake Winnipeg fish was offered on the market last week, being

a load of pike, or jackfish. They brought 2c per pound. No fresh caught white are yet offered, but fresh refrigerator frozen white are offered at 6c per pound. Oysters are unchanged. Quotations are: \$2.25 per gallon for standards and \$2.50 for selects, for good stock. Cans are quoted at 50c for standard, 55c for selects, and 60c for extras. Finnen had dies are offering at 11 to 11½c. per pound. Yarmouth bloaters, smoked per box of 100 fish, \$3 25

**FUEL.**

Wood has been offering on the market in large quantities, and with the very mild weather, the demand has been light, and prices are easy. Dealers quote \$3.50 to \$4 for poplar, \$5.75 for clear tamarac, and \$5.50 for mixed tamarac, \$6.50 for oak and \$7 for maple per cord. These prices are from yards for loads delivered in the city. Loads on the market are held at about 50c per cord lower all around, poplar, for instance, being obtainable at \$3 to \$3.50 per cord. Farmers' wood on the market sometimes sells at even under these figures. Cars of wood on track may be quoted at 50c per cord under these prices. Coal dealers are also doing a great deal of grumbling. Prices have been considerably reduced this season, as compared with other years, owing to increased competition, and this with the very mild weather prevailing to date this year has made sales all around rather light. If the mild weather holds out long, there will be a lot of coal to carry over to another year, the same as there was last winter, some of this old coal being still on hand, in addition to importations of new during last summer. Pennsylvania anthracite is quoted at \$9.25 to \$9.50 as to quality, and soft coal at \$7 to \$7.50 as to quality, per ton. These prices for ton lots, delivered, or about 50c lower on cars. Galt mine, Medicine Hat, and Pennsylvania soft coals are offering.

**FURS.**

Buyers from outside are beginning to arrive, but there is very little offering yet. Some lots of prairie wolf, fox, and a few bear and badger, have come in, but not much other stock. The following list of prices is for prime skins only, large, dark shades bringing best prices:—

Skunk, large.....	60 to	80
" small.....	40 to	60
" broad stripe.....	30 to	50
Fox, red.....	75 to	1 75
" silver, as to color....	20 00 to	75 00
" cross, as to color....	2 00 to	6 50
Marten, dark.....	3 50 to	5 00
" pale.....	1 25 to	1 75
Mink.....	40 to	1 00
Mu krat, winter.....	08 to	15
" fall.....	4 to	12
Fisher, as to size and color	2 50 to	3 50
Otter.....	6 00 to	10 00
Wolf, prairie, as to size	2 75 to	1 50
" timber.....	2 00 to	3 50
Badger.....	0 25 to	1 00

The *New York Fur Trade Review* says: "The business in imported furs has been satisfactory on the whole; staple goods are sold with little or no profit, and fancy furs are generally so high that only moderate stocks are carried. Astrakhan continues in very good demand; supplies of the more desirable skins are limited. Persianer is still in great favor, and articles suitable for the production of capes are fairly certain to remain in demand next year. General

satisfaction is expressed with the results of the London seal sales, and the prices are accepted as correct on the several grades. Reports from abroad are discouraging respecting nearly all articles; desirable American furs have been neglected, and inferior skins, such as goat and sheep, have been used instead, and in consequence considerable stocks of American furs remain unsold, and the prospect is the reverse of satisfactory.

Skunk is unfortunately in good demand here at present, and prices are regulated by the fact that supplies are too limited to meet the demands of manufacturers who must have the goods at once; it is therefore difficult to start this article right—the present figures cannot be sustained after the temporary demand has been met, and it must be remembered that the great bulk of the catch is yet to be marketed. Lynx, opossum, and a few other articles are neglected, and buyers cannot be too careful in quoting prices—all round."

**GREEN FRUITS AND NUTS.**

Florida oranges are arriving freely and are 50c to \$1 box lower. Apples are steady and firm, and other prices unchanged, as follows: Lemons, Messinas, 360 count, \$7 to \$7.25 per box, do, Malaga, \$6.50 per box; Jamaica oranges, \$6.00, box, Florida oranges, \$5.50 to \$6.00; southern apples, \$4 00 to \$4.25, choice eastern Canada apples, \$4.50 per barrel; California pears, \$4.00 per box; Concord grapes, 85c. per basket of 8 to 9 lbs.; Almeria grapes, \$8 to \$8.50 per keg; choice Cape Cod cranberries, \$10 25 to \$10.50 per barrel; Bell & Cherry cranberries, \$10.25 per barrel; onions—Southern, \$2.50 per 100 lbs.; Spanish onions, \$1.25 crate; Cider, per gal., 35c; comb honey, in 14 lb. boxes, 25c per pound. Nuts—S. S. Taragona almonds, 20c per lb; Grenoble walnuts, 18c; Sicilian, filberts, extra large, 16c; peanuts, white Virginia, green, 15c; roasted, 17c; cocoanuts, per hundred \$9.00

**GROCERIES.**

Advices from eastern markets report sugars firm, especially for low grades, which are scarce. Sugar cables are firm, and there are advances in the New York sugar market last week, with a strong feeling. Willett & Hamlen, New York, in their weekly sugar circular say: "Raws advanced 3-16 on Muscovados, 5-16c on Centrifugals. Refined advanced 1-16c. Following the general course noted by us during the past two weeks the market has continued to strengthen both statistically and in respect to prices. Statistically, receipts for the week are 17,479 tons less than the requirements for meltings, and total stocks have decreased to this extent. Refiners' stock is largely reduced, and importers stock is down to 19,250 tons, against 37,312 tons at same time last year. Total stock in all the principal countries at latest uneven dates is 394,255 tons, against 432,805 tons at same time last year. There is no change in news from producing countries, except that Cuba advices are that the balance of the old crop sugar has been bought up, and European countries are strengthening prices."

The Brazilian revolution has not greatly influenced the coffee trade, though for a time some excitement was threatened in Rio. The sharp advance in cream tartar continues, prices having gone up from 87 shilling in British markets to 108 shilling. Prices here are:—Sugars, yellows, 6½ to 7½c, as to quality;

granulated, 8½c; lumps, 10c. Coffees—Rios, from 22 to 25c; Java, 25 to 30c; Old Government 33 to 34c; Mochas, 32 to 35c. Teas, Japan 23 to 46c; Congous, 22 to 69c; Indian teas, 35 to 60c; young hyson, 26 to 50c. T. and B. tobacco, 56c per pound; P. of W., butts 47c; P. of W. caddies, 47½c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c; Brier, 7s, 53c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d. thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunette Solace, 12s, 48c. McAlpine Tobacco Co's plug tobacco: Old Crow, 47c; Woodcock, 52c; Beaver, 63c; Jubilee, 60c; Anchor, 59c; cut tobacco: Silver Ash, 65c; Cut Cavendish, 70c; Senator 80c; Standard Kentucky, light, 85c; do dark, 80c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40, Terrier, \$30 per 1000. Lion "L" brand mixed pickles, in kegs, are quoted: Three gallons, \$2.50; do five gallons, \$3.50; do. 10 gallon kegs, \$6.50

#### HARDWARE.

Firmness in every department is still the leading feature of the hardware trade, though at the moment an appreciation in prices of Canada plates is the only advance recorded this week. Ingot copper has again advanced at New York. The Toronto *Empire* says of the hardware trade at that market:—"Shelf goods at the present time are quiet, although they have an advancing tendency. On certain articles manufacturers have advanced prices considerably, but on general articles, in which iron, copper or brass are combined, there has been no very definite increase in price. In many cases wholesale merchants have still a considerable quantity of goods on their shelves, and they are indisposed to sell unless there is a general advance upon the part of other merchants. However, in spring it is thought that the advances will be more felt. Merchants do not care to give figures for spring deliver in the present condition of the market for raw material, although there are a good many enquiries and when they do they quote from 5 to 10 per cent of an advance from present figures." In Montreal horse shoes have advanced, and are quoted at \$3.50 in 100-kg lots and \$3.65 for lesser quantities. Wire manufacturers have put their price up in the last week, and now no discount at all is allowed on the list. Close line wire has also advanced 15c. per 100 feet. For bright iron wire there is a fair demand, but practically no barbed wire is selling, although when the demand sets in for this latter, prices will be higher, as the raw material is dearer. Here price are: Cut nails, 10d, and upwards, \$2.40; I. C. tin plates, \$6 to \$6.50 as to grade; I. C. tin plates double, \$11.50 to \$12.00; Canada plates, \$4.15 to \$4.25; sheet iron, \$4.00 to \$5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, net pieces. 1 inch, 10½c; 1½ inch, 13½c; 2 inch, 17c; 2 inch, 26c per foot; ingot tin, 32c per lb.; bar tin, 33c per pound; sheet zinc, 3c per lb.; galvanized iron, 28 gauge, 8½ to 9c lb; bar iron, \$3.69 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6½ to 6¾; per lb.; tarred felt \$2.40 to \$2.50 per 100 lbs.; barbed wire, 6½c nett.

#### HIDES AND SKINS.

Frozen lots of country hides are being taken at 3 to 3½c, and up to 5c is paid for heavy city butchers' steers. Prices in eastern markets are still low and dull. Prices here by grade are: Hides, Winnipeg inspected No. 1, 4½c; No. 2, 3½c; No. 3, 2½c per lb. Calf, 7 to 13 lb. skins are quoted at 5c. for No. 1 and 4c. for No. 2. Sheep and lambskins are worth about 60 to 65c each for fresh killed skins. Tallow quoted, rough, 2½ to 3c. rendered 4½ to 5c.

#### LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Trade in this branch is rather dull. Quotations are as follows: Spanish sole, 26 to 30c; slaughter sole, 26 to 30c; French calf, first choice \$1.25 to \$1.50; Canadian calf, 75c to \$1.00; French kip, \$1 to \$1.10; B Z kip, 85 to 90c; Bourdon kip, 70c; slaughter kip, 55 to 65c; No. 1, wax upper, 40 to 45c; grain upper, 50c; harness leather, 26 to 29c for plump stock. English oak butts, 60c; buffalo, 17 to 21c a foot; cordovan, 17 to 21c; pebble, 21c; colored linings, 12c; shoe uppers, from \$1.25 to \$2.75.

#### PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.

Continued firmness in glass is the principal feature to note in this branch, with prospect of advancing prices. Outside glass markets are very strong. Turpentine has advanced sharply 5c per gallon. Prices here are as follows: Turpentine in barrels, inscribed gages, 85c per gallon; turpentine, in barrels, guaranteed measurement, or in 5 gallon cans, 90c gallon; linseed oil in barrels, raw 72c; boiled 75c; benzine and gasoline, 50c; pure oxide paints, in barrels, 90c per gallon; coal tar \$6 a barrel; Portland cement, \$4.75 a barrel; Michigan plaster, \$3.40 a barrel, putty, in bladders, 3½c a pound, bulk in barrels, 3c; whiting in barrels, \$1.50 a cwt; Crown pure white lead, \$7.50; Royal Charter, \$7.00; Railroad, \$6.50; Alabastine, \$7.50 per case of 20 packages. Window Glass, first break, \$2.10 to 2.20.

### GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKETS.

#### WINNIPEG.

##### WHEAT.

The past week has not been market by any very remarkable features in the wheat situation. The visible supply figures on Monday last showed an increase of 1,348,000 bushels. The total visible supply is now 31,781,400 bushels, against 30,082,000 last year.

Total receipt of spring wheat at leading points in the United States since the commencement of the crop year have been 55,930,000 bushels, against 37,554,000 bushels to the same date a year ago. Receipts of winter wheat on this crop have amounted to 21,561,000 bushels against 25,345,000 bushels a year ago.

The grand total of winter and spring wheat received on this crop is 77,494,000 bushels, against 62,899,000 bushels received up to the same date last year. Exports of wheat and flour for the week ended Saturday week footed up to 640,000 bushels, against 1,358,455 bushels for the same week last year. The movement in deliveries at Minneapolis and Duluth are lighter, though they were averaging fairly large.

The local situation has been characterized by a sharp upward movement in prices, due to competition among leading milling firms. The falling of in deliveries by farmers caused some alarm on the part of millers as to their ability to obtain supplies necessary for the season's grinding. This led to bidding more sharply for the wheat, and has resulted in a regular fight for the grain between millers. Millers having buyers at country markets have bid up prices, and they have also been picking up all the cars on track from country buyers that can be got hold of. Grain shippers are practically out of the race, as they cannot handle wheat for shipment at the prices paid. Following are the

prices paid for best samples at Manitoba country markets to farmers on Friday. Treherne, Grenfell, Regina, 60c. Emerson, Dominion City, Wapella, 63c. Cypress River, Glenboro, Killarny, 61c. Holland, Carman, Gretna, Morden, Manitow, Boissvain, Deloraine, Plum Coulee, Virden, Elkhorn, 65c. Holmfield, Moosomin, Brandon; A'alexander, Griswold, Oak Lake, Kemnay, 68c. Thornhill, Portage la Prairie, Burnside, Mc Gregor, 70c. High Bluff, 71c. Carberry, 72c. Crystal City, 75c. Pilot Mound, 76c. Douglas, 79c. For cars on track 72c was paid at country points, for No. 1 hard, and perhaps a little better figures in some instances.

#### FLOUR.

The strong upward movement in wheat has been reflected in flour, the feeling being firm. Low grades are unchanged and bakers' are quotable 10c per 100 pounds higher. Prices are delivered in the city, or free on board cars in broken lots as follows per 100 pounds to the local trade: Patents, \$2.55; strong bakers, \$2.35; second bakers, \$1.70; XXXX, \$1.30; super fine, \$1.10; Graham flour, \$2.35; middlings, \$2.55 per 100 pounds.

#### MILLSTUFFS AND FEED.

Prices hold firm at last quotations. There is a large demand for feed and millstuffs, owing to high prices of oats, and prices are therefore well maintained. Bran is held at \$14 per ton, and shorts at \$15 per ton. Ground feed sells, delivered in the city, at \$26 per ton.

#### NEALS, POT BARLEY, ETC.

Prices are steady at last quotations, and are as follows: Standard, \$2.40; granulated, \$2.50 per 100 lbs.; rolled oats, \$2.40 per sack of 80 lbs. Cornmeal is held at \$1.65 per 100 lbs.; pot barley, \$2.75, and pearl barley, \$3.25 per 100 lbs.

#### OATS.

The demand for oats is reported to be light. Prices have not materially changed. Lots to the trade sell at 45c per bushel, delivered in the city, with small retail quantities selling at 50c per bushel. Nothing doing in car lots.

#### BUTTER.

The situation in butter is easy and the movement very light. In fact dullness is the characteristic of the trade, as there is very little demand from any quarter. Some lots have been taken for the winter lumber camps at about 15c per pound, but not the choicest quality. The city trade appears to be well stocked with supplies bought earlier direct from farmers or from country points. Commission men report offerings large, and some say they could soon fill up their storage room with butter consigned on commission from country customers, but they do not care to block up their premises with an article for which there is very little prospect of an early sale, and which would be only in the road, occupying space in the warehouse. Dealers quote up to 18c per pound, but admit it is difficult to get top prices, while others say they cannot get over 16c for good to choice dairy.

#### CHEESE.

Moving slowly in jobbing lots at 12 to 12½c stocks light.

#### EGGS.

Limed were still selling at 20c per dozen last week, with a firm tendency and dealers quoting a cent or two higher in some instances, but advances were not always obtained. Fresh are scarce and selling at about 22c, though sometimes not going any better than limed.

#### CURED MEATS.

Business quiet. Prices are steady as follows: Dry salt, 9 to 9½c; spiced rolls, 11c to 11½c; breakfast bacon, 13; hams, 13 to 13½c per pound; bologna sausage, 7c per pound; fresh pork sausage, 8c per pound; pickled pigs feet, \$1.50 per kit of about 20 lbs.; dried beef, 12½c per lb.

#### LARD.

Lard is held in 20 pound pails at \$2 per pail. Three pound tins 40c each.

DRESSED MEATS.

Farmers' dressed beef was offering freely on the market last week. Good sides brought 4½c, and some choice sold as high as 4½c per pound. The average, however, was from 4 to 4½c for good to choice, as to quality, with poor thin stuff slow sale at much lower figures. City dressed beef seemed firmer, and dealers were trying to get higher prices. Sales of very good city dressed, however, were learned of at 5½, but in some instances higher prices were obtained for choice dressed steers, sales being reported as high as 6½c, and 7c even for fancy beef. These top prices cannot be taken as ruling for good ordinary beef, but only where butchers want something nice to make a show with. Pork is offering freely, with prices tending easier. One lot of nicely dressed hogs sold at 6½c per pound, but these were to a butcher, intended to make a show in dressing the market. 6c was the recognized price for good average lots, with a lower tendency toward the close of the week, and quotable at 5½ to 6c. A good many light hogs, too small for packing, are offering. The low price ruling for pork and provisions in outside markets has an easy tendency on prices here. At Minneapolis, for instance, live hogs were quoted last week at \$3.35 to 3.50 per 100 pounds. Dressed hogs at the same place were held at 4 to 4½c per pound. At these figures hogs can be imported from Minnesota and laid down here at a cost of 5½c and under, after paying freight and 1c per pound duty. Mutton is still held at 8c, and lamb at 8 to 9c per pound. Veal, a little heavy offering, and bought at 5 to 5½c.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes offered on the market by farmers brought from 60 to 70c. No further car lots offered. Retail prices are now about 80c per bushel. Quotations are otherwise unchanged, as follows: Carrots \$1; parsnips \$1 to \$1.25 per bushel, beets, 90c per bushel, turnips 50c per bushel, onions \$1.50 per bushel,

cabbage \$9 to \$10 per hundred; celery 25 to 40c per dozen; hubbard squash, \$1.50 per doz.; pumpkins, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per dozen; citron, \$1.50 per dozen; sweet potatoes, 5c lb., or \$6.50 per barrel; Spanish onions, \$1.25 per crate; southern red, do, \$2.50 per 100 pounds.

DRESSED POULTRY.

The supply is not excessive, and prices hold steady. Chickens bring 7 to 8c. Ducks and geese 10c per pound, and sometimes up to 11c for choice lots. Turkey brings from 11 to 12c, though some have sold at 10c, but not choice quality.

LIVE STOCK.

The average price obtained for cattle now off red in this market is about 2½c per pound live weight. Poor have sold recently as low as 2c, and choice lot hers up to 3c. Some fairly good steers brought the latter figure. Cattle shipping may be considered over for the season. Cables early last week from Liverpool reported 11½c as the best price in British markets for Canadian steers. Good to choice brought 11c, medium 10c, and from that down to 7½c for inferior and bulls live weight. At Montreal good butchers' cattle sold at 3½ to 4c live weight as to quality, with poor ranging downward as low as 2½c.

HAY.

The statements in the daily papers that hay is very scarce and likely to be very high, do not seem to be well founded. Offerings of hay on the market have been fairly large right along, and price has not advanced materially, plenty of good hay being obtainable at \$10 per ton, which has seen the ruling figure for some time. Offerings of course are affected by the weather, and bad roads may cause light supplies for a day or two, but this is all. There is abundance of good baled hay offering, delivered by rail on track here at about \$9.50 per ton.

SENECA ROOTS.

Season about over for this article. Dull and no regular prices.

Coming London Fur Sales.

The Hudson's Bay Company will hold their next sale on January 27, 1899. The March sales will be held March 17, 18, 19, and 20.

The company's importations comprise:—Badger, 1,351; bear, 10,977; beaver, 71,300; fisher, 6,441; cross fox, 2,514; red fox, 12,143; kitt fox, 316; silver fox, 639; white fox, 2,863; lynx, 18,627; marten, 71,915; mink, 33,871; musk ox, 1,409; musquash, 311,969; otter, 9,081; raccoon, 83; rabbit, 94,273; skunk, 10,695; wolf, 2,559; wolverine, 2,223; dry fur seal, 7; salted fur seal, 280; dry hair seal, 718; salted hair seal, 1,195; salted porpoise, 292; and dry porpoise, half skins, 187, and 93 swan skins.

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Enlarged.

Readers of THE COMMERCIAL would notice that their paper come to hand last week considerably enlarged in size. This journal has been increased in size by the addition of four more pages, which means an extra quantity of reading matter each week, to subscribers.

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Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Wheat opened  $\frac{1}{2}$  lower on Monday, December 2. January started at 80c, and had a range during the day of from 79 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 80 $\frac{1}{2}$ . May opened at 84c, and ranged from 83 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Corn closed a fraction lower than Saturday. Provision prices were very steady and practically unchanged from Saturday's close. Closing quotations for futures were:

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	80 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	84 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	31	—	33 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	—	9.27 $\frac{1}{2}$	9.35 $\frac{1}{2}$	9.92 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lard	—	5.87 $\frac{1}{2}$	5.92 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.05
Short Ribs	—	4.72 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.77 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.95

Wheat opened about  $\frac{1}{2}$  higher on Tuesday. During the day December ranged from 80 $\frac{1}{2}$  to the opening upward to 81c; closing at the top. May ranged from 84 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 85c. Corn gained  $\frac{1}{2}$  and pork and lard 5c. Closing prices were:

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	80	81	—	84 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	33 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	—	9.30	9.40	9.70
Lard	5.90	5.90	5.95	6.07 $\frac{1}{2}$
Short Ribs	—	4.75	4.80	4.95

Wheat opened steady on Wednesday, and had a downward range. May opened at 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. and declined to 83 $\frac{1}{2}$ c., closing a fraction better. The market for spring wheat was nominally weaker for wheat in store, ranging from 80c. at the opening to 79 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. at the close. No. 3 was in fair demand, sales of car loads being reported at from 64 to 66c. and No. 4 at 60c. Spring wheat by sample was steady and firm for good to choice lots, with a moderate local demand. Poor wheat continues to rule dull. Free on board and track lots ranged as follows: No. 3 at 63 to 64c. for fair, 66 to 70c. for good, 71 to 72c. for choice, 74 to 75c. for choice hard. No. 3 white at 66c. for good, 67 to 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. for choice. No. 4 50 to 51c. for fair, 52 to 54c. for good, 55c. for choice. Cash lard sold at \$5.90 to \$5.92 $\frac{1}{2}$  per 100 lbs., green shoulders at \$3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. per pound, green hams at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. per pound for average 16 lbs. each, sweet pickled shoulders at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. each. Closing prices for futures were:

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	80	—	84
Corn	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	31	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	—	9.35	9.40	9.72 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lard	—	5.90	5.92 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.10
Short Ribs	—	4.75	4.80	4.97 $\frac{1}{2}$

Wheat was rather quiet on Friday and the range of prices narrow. Closing prices for futures were:

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	78 $\frac{1}{2}$	79 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	83 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	33 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	—	9.37 $\frac{1}{2}$	9.57 $\frac{1}{2}$	9.45
Lard	—	5.97 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.00	6.16
Short Ribs	—	4.85	4.97 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.07 $\frac{1}{2}$

Minneapolis Markets.

Following were the closing quotations for wheat, on Thursday, Dec. 5:

	Dec.	Jan.	May.	On track
No. 1 hard	77 $\frac{1}{2}$	78 $\frac{1}{2}$	83 $\frac{1}{2}$	79
No. 1 northern	75 $\frac{1}{2}$	76	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	77
No. 2	71	72	77 $\frac{1}{2}$	70-4

The Minneapolis Market Record says of the flour market: Within a few days some quite large sales of flour have been made for export, including several lots of patents. Buyers in the United Kingdom would take considerable of Minneapolis patents at 31 to 32s. but such figures are counted too low, considering the low

price of bakers, to bring satisfactory results on current prices of wheat. At 33s millers would probably sell readily for production from stocks of wheat now in their hands. At current buying prices, sales are partly to remove the burden of surplus stocks from domestic markets.

Patents, sacks, to local dealers	41 80 to 85 00
Patents, to ship, sacks, car lots	4 40 to 4 70
In barrels	4 70 to 4 90
Delivered at New England points	5 40 to 5 50
New York points	5 30 to 5 40
Delivered at Philadelphia and Baltimore	5 25 to 5 35
Bakers here	3 25 to 3 60
Superfine	1 70 to 2 25
Red dog, sacks	1 10 to 1 25
Red dog, barrels	1 35 to 1 50

Bran and shorts—Bran remains quiet and steady at \$6 to \$6 25. The market for shorts is unchanged at \$7.25 to \$7.75.

Oats—Were offered less freely, and were held a shade firmer. Some sellers of samples thought they could get  $\frac{1}{2}$ c more than late prices. Some grinding oats brought 20c, and fair white held at 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

Canadian Securities in England.

Quotations of Canadian securities in the London market show a strong upward movement, according to the following reports from the Canadian Gazette, dated Nov. 21:—

	Price.	Rise.	Fall.
Canada 5 per cents., 1868	1.4	—	1
Canada 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cents	104 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	—	—
Ditto 4 per cents, 1885	112	—	—
Ditto 3 per cents	96 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
British Columbia 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cents	115	—	—
Manitoba 5 per cents	115	—	—
Quebec Province 4 per cents,	105	1	—
Toronto 4 per cents.	103	—	—
Winnipeg, 5 per cents.	110 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	—	—
Canadian Pacific shares (N.Y. register)	75 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto shares (London register)	75 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto first mortgage bonds	112 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cents land grant bonds.	97	—	—
Ditto 4 per cent. debenture stock	67 $\frac{1}{2}$ p.m.	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto Algouva branch first mortgage bonds	110 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Grand Trunk ordinary stock.	115-10	3-10	—
Ditto first preference	74 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto second ditto.	52 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto third ditto.	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto 4 per cent. guaranteed	77	—	—
Ditto 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. debenture stock	126	—	—
Ditto 4 per cent. debenture stock	99	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Manitoba and North-Western first mortgage.	114	1	—
Qu'Appelle, Long Lake first mortgage scrip	67	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Bank of British Columbia	89	—	—
Bank of B. N. A.	79	—	—
Land Corporation of Canada £1 18s. paid	—	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Manitoba Mortgage	—	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Trust and Loan, £5 paid.	—	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Ditto £5 paid	—	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
British American Land	23	—	—
Canada Company	62 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Canada North-West Land	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—
Hudson's Bay	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	—

Toronto Produce Market.

Wheat—In demand and prices are firmer. No. 2 spring sold on track at 83c. White is worth 85c on track, and red 86c. Some choice No. 2 white sold on the Northern at 81c. Manitoba hard was quiet, but very firm. There were sales of odd cars of No. 1 at 95c and No. 2 at 97c.

Barley—A lot of No. 2 sold on spot at 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, an advance of  $\frac{1}{2}$ c on former sales. No. 3 extra was offered at 41c here.

Oats—Mixed offered at 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and white at 27c outside. There were sales on track at 29c.

Flour—Patent, \$4 20 to \$4 50; Straight roller, \$3 90 to \$4; Extra, \$3 55 to \$3 60; Strong bakers', \$4 to \$4 50. Bran, \$10.50 to \$11.

Hides and skins—Green hides are now  $\frac{1}{2}$ c lower at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for No. 1; 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for No. 2 and 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for No. 3. No sales of cured reported. Skins dull with a good demand at \$1.

Poultry.—Chickens sold at 35 to 50c a pair; ducks 50 to 80c, turkeys 9 to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c per pound, and geese 6 to 7c.

Dressed hogs sold at \$5.75 to \$6 to packers. Two cars selected weights sold at \$5.75, to be delivered here next week.

Butter The supply keeps up and the feeling is weak. Choice dairy tubs bring 16 to 18c, but there is very little going at top prices. Large rolls were abundant and sold at 14 to 16c. Low grades dull, at 10 to 12c.

Some of the refineries advanced medium and bright yellow sugars  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 3-15c. on Tuesday, but no sales were reported at the advance. The market is generally very firm. Low grades are very scarce. Valencia raisins continue firm, at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 7c.; second quality are quoted as low as 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.—*Empire*.

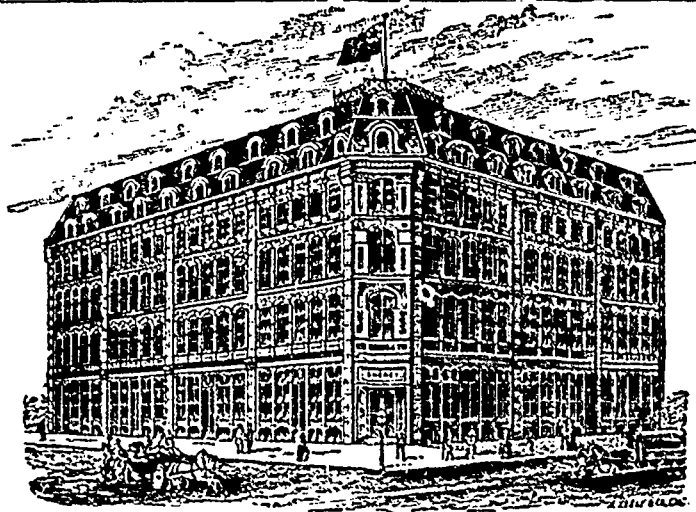
Leatheroid.

The substitute for good sound leather for the manufacture of traveling trunks, travellers sample cases and such goods, which have been brought before the public during the past ten years or so have been legion in number, and with few exceptions inferior in every way, except perhaps in price, to the commodity for which they were substituted. One of the exceptions, and among the latest introduced is Leatheroid, and for the goods, above named, it not only equal, but in many respects superior to the best sole leather. The article has been patented in the United States, Canada and other countries, and is found to become a popular article in the manufacture of trunks, travelling cases and various other receptacles intended for carrying around. The substance itself presents a surface very like leather, being quite as tough and durable, and is used for the outside covering of goods, while inside is a steel lining, springy and pliable, thus giving the trunk or case all the springy adaptability of a solid leather trunk. One advantage it has over the latter is its strength, for it is capable of being tossed about when filled with heavy contents in a manner that would ruin a solid leather article, and not suffer beyond ordinary wear and tear. Another great advantage is its wonderful lightness, being less than half the weight of sole leather in similar goods. This is certainly a great advantage in cases for commercial men's samples, as paying for excess baggage is frequently one of the most annoying items of a commercial traveller's expenses. It cannot therefore fail to supersede many of the unsuitable articles now used for such cases. The manufacture of Leatheroid goods has now been introduced in Canada, Messrs. J. C. Eveleigh & Co., the trunk and valise manufacturers of Montreal having the sole right of manufacture in the Dominion. Already they are placing there goods on the market in liberal quantities, and at figures, which should make them sell freely.

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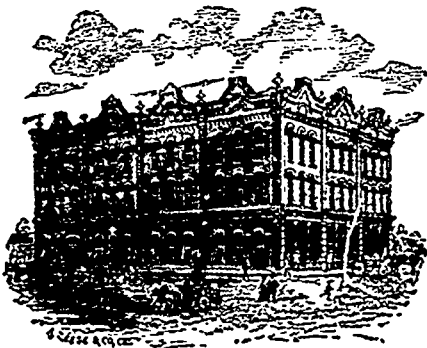
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**Drugs and Chemicals at Montreal.**

Quinine is strong with a slight advance in Howard's, consequent upon the advance in bark. The rise seems to be genuine and not caused by any speculative demand. Camphor shows higher prices, as crude has advanced 20 per cent, and the indications are that it will go higher, under the influence of an active demand and scarcity of the drug. Cream of tartar is in fair demand and has advanced 4c per pound, while tartaric acid of course is in sympathy. Opium is dull, without change and selling at \$3.75 to \$4.

Quinine, German.....	\$ 0 45 to \$ 0 50
Opium.....	3 75 to 4 00
Morphia.....	1 75 to 2 00
Iodide potas.....	3 75 to 4 00
Oil of pepperment.....	0 00 to 4 50
Bromide potassium.....	0 50 to 0 55
Camphor, English.....	0 00 to 0 55
Glycerine.....	0 00 to 0 25
Gum arabic.....	0 65 to 1 25
Carbolic acid.....	0 55 to 0 60
Insect powder.....	0 00 to 0 70
Salicene.....	5 00 to 5 50
Tartaric acid.....	0 53 to 0 55
Cream tartar.....	0 00 to 0 35
Bleaching powder.....	1 85 to 2 15
Bicarb soda.....	1 75 to 1 90
Salsoda.....	0 80 to 0 90
Caustic soda.....	1 75 to 2 00
Soda ash.....	1 30 to 1 50
Chlorate of potash.....	0 22 to 0 25
Alum.....	1 50 to 1 75
Coppers.....	0 80 to 0 90
Sulphur, flour.....	2 25 to 2 50
Sulphur, roll.....	1 90 to 2 00
Sulphate of copper.....	6 00 to 7 00
White sugar of lead.....	0 08 to 0 12
Brown sugar of lead.....	0 07 to 0 10
Bich. potash.....	0 09 to 0 11
Bich. soda.....	0 07 to 0 08
Logwood, per 100 pounds....	2 00 to 2 25
Sumac, Sicilian.....	67 00 to 70 00
Pruss. potash, yellow.....	0 22 to 0 25
Cutch.....	0 07 to 0 7½
Gambier.....	0 08 to 0 8½
Madras Indigo.....	0 60 to 0 80

—Gazette.

**Wholesale Grocer's Guild**

At a meeting of the Grocers' Guild, held in Toronto recently, the question of the excise law relating to tobaccos was brought before the members. The cancellation of the revenue stamp has to be effected in such a way as to require considerable care, and if not properly done the retailer, in whose possession the box is found, is liable to fine. It was thought that the wholesaler from whom the tobacco was purchased and who paid the duty should protect the retailer, as it was the former who should see the proper cancellation of the stamp. But a much more irritating restriction is that which makes a person liable to punishment should he be found with more than a pound of tobacco in his possession, outside of the original package, a regulation which the Revenue department contends is necessary to prohibit the illicit manufacture. A deputation will shortly interview the Government with a view to having such harsh measures modified.

CORN cobs are being imported into Manitoba. They are used for smoking cured meats.

**The Wheat Situation.**

The prolonged depression in the price of wheat draws attention to the somewhat unusual conditions affecting the market. Viewing the record for eight seasons, including that of 1889, the domestic wheat crop was barely an average in 1886 and 1887, and was less than an average in each of the years 1883, 1885 and 1888. The "years of plenty," those in which more than average yields of wheat were harvested, were 1882, 1884 and 1889. In 1882 and 1884 crops slightly in excess of 500,000,000 bushels were secured; but during the past year it is doubtful if the yield was in excess of 495,000,000 bushels of sixty pounds each. The successive crops of wheat were so irregular from 1882 to 1885 inclusive that, notwithstanding the large yields in 1882 and 1884, the annual average for the period named was no larger than the annual average from 1886 to 1889 inclusive, about 450,000,000 bushels in each instance.

On July 1, 1882, reserves of domestic wheat were at a low ebb, and including stocks in sight probably did not exceed 31,000,000 bushels. On each succeeding first of July there have been carried into the new cereal year much larger quantities of wheat, visible and invisible, until in 1889, when the estimated reserves on August 1—new crop wheat being very slow in coming forward—amounted to only about 40,000,000 bushels on both coasts.

Accordingly the inference is that the seven crops of wheat harvested prior to 1889 sufficed for wants for food, seed, for use in the arts and manufactures and for export, with only 9,000,000 bushels, if any, to spare, the excess of reserves in the summer of 1889 as compared with 1882.

Calling the wheat crop for 1889 485,000,000, the food, seed and other domestic requirements for the year ending July 1, 1890, 386,000,000 bushels, the prospect is for 119,000,000 bushels available for export during the current cereal year, if the reserves of last summer, some 40,000,000 bushels, are sufficient to carry reserves on July 1 next.

But five months of the crop year are past, and exports of wheat (and flour as wheat), both coasts, are only about 42,000,000 bushels, against 46,000,000 bushels in a like period in 1888. For the twelve months ended July 1 last we exported about 90,000,000 bushels of wheat (and flour), so that the outlook, if the movement is to be judged by last year, does not promise foreign takings for this season equal to 90,000,000 bushels. But should the year's wheat and flour exports amount to that total the quantity likely to remain on hand as reserves, visible and invisible, on July 1 next would be approximately 69,000,000 bushels, instead of the 40,000,000 bushels of August 1, 1889, which might go a long way toward explaining the prevalence of bear arguments of late.

A test of the calculation for 1889-90 may be made by contrasting the records and official and other estimates of production and requirements during the previous seven years and for the current cereal year. Thus, for eight years past, the crops of wheat produced in the United States will aggregate (including reserves on July 1, 1882), 3,641,000,000 bushels. Of this quantity about 2,532,000,000 will have been required as food and seed, 100,000,000 bushels for manufactures in eight years, while 848,-

000,000 bushels have been exported in seven years alone, a total of 3,430,000,000 bushels. Subtracting this from the eight years' production, we have 161,000,000 bushels remaining, out of which reserves and exports for 1889-90 must come.

If exports amount for this year to 90,000,000 bushels, the indicated total of reserves on July 1, 1890, is 71,000,000 bushels, an aggregate closely approximating that reached by the previous calculation. But it should be stated that 40,000,000 bushels of reserves are a very small quantity to carry over, visible and invisible, only about six weeks' supply, for domestic purposes.

These considerations constitute a large share of the statistical reasons why wheat prices are depressed. Others may be found in the following table, based upon data furnished by *Beerbohm*, of London, and by *Bradstreet's*, which point to an unprecedented rapidity of movement of wheat to market in the United States in the face of a slow export demand:

Visible stocks of wheat.	Nov 1, 1889	Nov 1, 1888.
Afloat for Europe (wheat and flour) .....	17,540,000	23,064,000
Stocks in first hands, United Kingdom .....	15,630,000	19,800,000
Visible in United States, both coasts .....	50,318,000	50,456,000
Stocks at Odessa .....	6,800,000	12,000,000
Stocks at French ports .....	4,800,000	5,000,000
Stocks at Paris .....	1,066,000	1,736,000
Stocks at Berlin, Danzig and Stettin .....	2,281,000	1,732,000
November 1, totals, bushels ..	101,914,000	115,003,000
October 1, totals, bushels .....	79,477,000	93,776,000

We thus find that the visible stocks of wheat accounted for above increased more than 25,000,000 bushels during October, 1889, as compared with an increase of only a little over 15,000,000 bushels in the like month 1888. Notwithstanding aggregate stocks on October 1, 1889, were 20,300,000 bushels smaller than on October 1, 1888, on November 1 last the decrease as compared with one year ago was only 10,200,000 bushels. In other words, immediate supplies have been running ahead of current demands, which, in the face of low prices, point to farmers being pressed to sell their stocks.

On the other side, France is not importing at present, England is buying with caution and Russia is sending of her stocks freely to the United Kingdom, being willing to accept English offers, notwithstanding repeated reports of short Russian supplies.

Most of the well known European writers on this topic have seen fit to regard wheat from the point of view of the bull, and have had a good deal to explain in consequence for several months past. They finally appear to agree that later in the crop year, say in the spring months, it will be found that Germany and France will have to buy foreign wheat with freedom, and Russia's shortage will have had time to show itself.

Recent reports, though contradictory, mention probable larger requirements of foreign wheat by the United Kingdom this year than usual. We are told, therefore, that next spring a foreign demand for our wheat is not unlikely to make its appearance, which, should it tend to expand our now probable total annual exports (say 35,000,000) to 120,000,000 bushels, would undoubtedly do nearly all that our more conservative bulls on wheat may reasonably expect.—*Bradstreet's*.

### British Columbia.

W. J. Armstrong, hardware, Revelstoke, has sold out to Wm. Kirkup.

Grassie & Mason, engravers on metals, have commenced business at Vancouver.

Jas. Brennan, of the Grotto saloon and restaurant, New Westminster, has sold out to W. Collier.

The Columbia River Transportation Company at Arrow lake intends building a steamer to ply on the Columbia river.

The old Bank of British Columbia building on the corner of Government and Bastion streets, Victoria, has been sold to T. C. Nuttall for \$25,000.

In the supreme court on the application of Capt. J. Irving a rule filed to quash the Victoria Saanich railway by-law has been granted by the chief justice.

Ellis & Co., of the *Victoria Colonist* have issued a very handsome lithographic map of the City of Victoria, which will be found at once useful and ornamental.

Flora Miller, conducting the Queen's hotel, New Westminster, under the style of Miller & Co., has assigned in trust. The business, however, will be continued as usual.

Walton & Pollexfen, wholesale liquor dealers, have purchased the business and premises of the Vancouver Wine Company, which they will take over on January 1 next.

Elliott Bell, who has been in the employ of the Canada Pacific Steamship company, as purser, has entered into partnership with Chipman and Morgan, commission merchants, Vancouver, and the firm will hereafter be known as Chipman, Morgan & Co.

The *Vancouver World* has added a fine new folder and fast Hoe press to its plant, which says that journal, "with the plant previously possessed will make the *World* the best equipped newspaper publishing house outside the largest cities of the Dominion."

The *Victoria Victorian* says: The real estate market is steadily going forward and the real estate business of Victoria was never before in such a flourishing condition. Property in and around Victoria is still rising in valuation and the outlook for the future is very promising.

It is expected the new voters' list for Victoria will contain 4,000 names, well up to that number having been secured. Taking the usual method of securing the total population by estimating five inhabitants to every voter, this would make Victoria possessed of a population of 20,000, not including Chinese and Indians, who are non-voters. The showing says the *Colonist* is a very gratifying one, and proves the rapid advancement made in Victoria during the past few years.

ROSENBAUM—Vell, Mr. Chones, how does dor bants suit you? Jones—they don't suit at all. Rosenbaum—Vy, my tear friend, vot der trouble was? Jones—Well, they are not made of the goods that I selected. Here's the sample I took. Do you see the difference? Rosenbaum—Oh, vell, my tear Midey Chones, do styles haf changed since you ordered the bants.

G. WILLIAMS has opened a shoe shop at Manitow, Man.

### Fur Trade Notes.

The *Montreal Trade Bulletin* quotes the following prices for fur furs at that place:—

Beaver, per lb. ....	\$ 4 00 to	4 50
Bear, per skin .....	\$12.00, 15 00	18 00
Bear, cub, per skin ..	5.00, 7 00	8 00
Fisher .....	0 00	5 00
Fox, red .....	1 00	1 50
Fox, cross .....	0 00	2 50
Lynx .....	4 00	5 00
Marten .....	1 00	1 25
Mink .....	1 25	1 50
Muskat, fall, 10c., winter ..	0 15	0 00
Otter .....	10 00	12 00
Raccoon .....	0 50	0 75
Skunk .....	25, 50, 0 75	1 00

The *Columbian*, of New Westminster, B. C., says:—"The receipts of pelts and furs are becoming heavier every day. Vianen has some fine bear, beaver, mink, racoon, badger, seal and fox skins in market, and a curiosity in the shape of a "fisher" skin which hangs among the other pelts. This animal used to abound in British Columbia, but has become almost as scarce as the wolverine in Michigan."

### Lumber Cuttings.

E. J. Barclay, of Brandon, Man., has opened a branch lumber yard in the new Northern Pacific town of Wawanesa.

The *Colonist*, of Victoria, B. C., says: Preparations are in progress for the erection of two saw mills on the south shore of Burrard inlet near the entrance of Port Moody harbor. Mr. Butchard, who owns valuable timber limits on the north side of the bay, has completed arrangements with a company of capitalists for the erection of a lumber manufacturing establishment on his place near there.

The *Times*, of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan Territory says: It may be rather late in the day to take up the question of preserving our forests from destruction by fire, but by adopting energetic measures at once a great deal of valuable timber may yet be saved. The matter has been neglected for too long already. Of the vast timber limits, which a few years ago lay to the north of Prince Albert, nothing now remains but the charred trunks of spruce and tamarac, with small patches of bush where fires could not penetrate.

The *Minnedosa Tribune* says:—"The Lake Dauphin district, Manitoba, is certainly booming. There is now quite a town there, but mail facilities are urgently needed. It is stated that a grist mill will be put up at once by Roberts & Crawford. A sawmill has been at work a short distance from the settlement, but it will be made more convenient by being removed to the settlement this winter. Capt. McIntosh, formerly of Minnedosa, has just put up a new store, his old one having become too small. His brother, W. McIntosh, is opening up a temperance hotel. A neat little Presbyterian Church is almost finished. The Church of England will also have a representative there. J. McDowell, has opened up a harness shop, and the Hudson Bay Company has instructed J. A. McDonald, of the post at Elphinstone, to open up a store there, with P. H. Chipman, in charge.

G. S. DAVIDSON has been appointed agent at Qu'Appelle, Assa., for A. Harris, Son & Co., agricultural implements.

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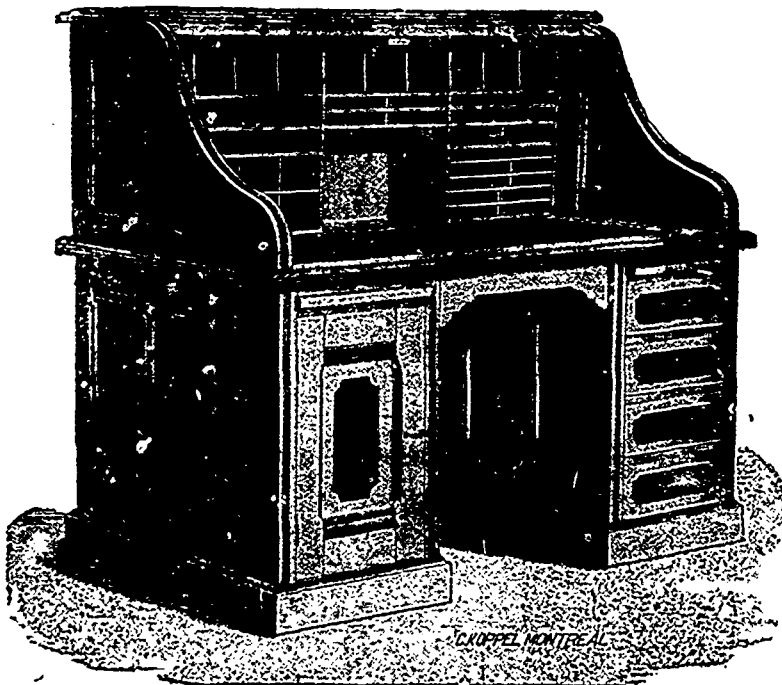
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**Canned Goods at Montreal.**

There has been a fairly good trade in canned goods during the past week.

Lobsters, per case	5 75	to	7 00
Mackerel, per case	5 25		5 50
Sardines, per case	8 50		9 50
Salmon, per doz	1 70		1 75
Clams, 1 lb. tins, per doz	1 90		2 00
Oysters, 1 lb. tins, per doz	1 00		1 40
Tomatoes, Quebec	0 00		0 00
Do. Ontario	1 15		1 20
Peacher, per doz	2 15		0 00
Bartlett pears, 2 lb tins, per doz	1 00		2 10
Strawberries, 2 lb. tins, per doz	2 00		2 25
Pineapples, 1 lb. tins, per doz	2 35		2 40
Plums, 2 lb. tins, per doz	1 75		2 00
Corn, Erie & Aylmer, per doz	1 15		1 25
Corn, Yarmouth, 2 lb. tins	1 75		0 00
Corn, Hoeggs	1 30		1 40
Peas, 2 lb. tins	0 00		1 25
String beans, 2 lb. tins, per doz	0 00		1 15
Lima beans, 2 lb. tins, per doz	1 80		1 85
Succotash, 2 lb tins, per doz	0 00		2 10
Pumpkins, 3 lb. tins, per doz	0 00		1 20
Asparagus, 3 lb. tins, per doz	0 00		2 25
Gay's jams, 1 lb. pots, per doz	0 00		2 15
Moir's marmalade, per doz	0 00		2 15
Boston baked beans, per doz	2 15		2 20
Pigs' feet, per doz	0 00		2 35
Roast chicken, 1 lb tins	0 00		2 30
Roast turkey, 1 lb. tins	0 00		2 30
Canned beef in 1 lb. tins, per doz	0 00		1 45
" 2 "	0 00		2 50
" 4 "	0 00		5 00
" 6 "	0 00		8 20
" 14 "	0 00		17 60
Lunch tongue in 1 lb tins, per doz	0 00		3 00
" 2 "	0 00		5 50
Ox tongues, in 1 lb tins, per doz	0 00		5 75
" 2 "	0 00		7 00
" 3 "	0 00		9 00
Fine English brawn, 1 lb. tins, per doz	0 00		2 00
Chipped dried beef, 1 lb. tins, per doz	0 00		2 50
Assorted soups, 1 lb. tins, per doz	0 00		1 60

—Empire.

**Toronto Hides and Wool Markets.**

**HIDES.**

Cured cows, No. 1	\$0 05	to	\$0 05½
Green—inspected, No. 1	0 00		0 04½
Green—inspected, No. 2	0 00		0 03½
Green—inspected, bulland No. 3	0 00		0 02½
Green—country, trimmed	0 02½		0 04½

**SKINS.**

Lambskins and pelts	0 95		1 00
Veals—8 lbs & up—green, No. 1	0 00		0 06
Veals—8 lbs & up—green, No. 2	0 00		0 05
Veals—8 lbs & up—cured, No. 1	0 00		0 08
Veals—8 lbs & up—cured, No. 2	0 00		0 07

**WOOL.**

Fleece, ordinary	0 22		0 22½
Fleece, pure down	0 23		0 24
Pulled super	0 25		0 26
Pulled combing	0 20		0 21
Pulled extra	0 29		0 30

—Empire.

**Montreal Hardware Trade.**

Materials of all descriptions command fully as high prices as ever, and buyers are characterized by the same spirit as formerly and are only

buying what they actually want. What transactions have taken place, however, prove conclusively the strength of the market and show that sellers have the upper hand, and in some cases of negotiation for future delivery buyers shown considerable anxiety. Advices from the other side show continued strength, especially in the way of manufactured iron and a recent private cable from Liverpool states that crown bars are at £9 3s, sheet iron £9 15s and hoops and bands in proportion, with makers well filled up ahead with orders.

We quote:—

<b>Pig Iron—</b>		
Coltness	£27 00	to \$28 00
Calder	26 00	27 00
Langloan	26 00	00 00
Summerlee	27 00	28 00
Gartsherrio	26 00	27 00
Dalmellington	24 00	25 00
Eglington	24 00	25 00
Carnbroe	25 00	26 00
<b>Bar Iron, per 100 lbs—</b>		
Ord. Crown	2 65	0 00
Best refined	3 00	0 00
Siemens	0 00	0 00
Swedes	2 75	4 00
Lowmoor	0 00	5 25
Hoops and Bands	0 00	2 75
Block tin	24 00	25 00
<b>Copper per lb—</b>		
Ingot	0 00	0 15
Sheets	0 14	0 20
Canada plates, good brands	3 00	3 25
<b>Terne plates—Charcoals—</b>		
I C 20x28 Orion M, per bx	8 25	8 50
I C 20x28, lower grade, per bx	8 00	8 25
<b>Tin plate—</b>		
Coke	0 00	4 25
Charcoal	0 00	4 50
Ingot tin	0 24	0 24½
<b>Lead, per 100 lb—</b>		
Pig	0 00	4 10
Sheets	5 00	5 50
Shot	0 00	6 00
Lead pipe	0 00	5 25
Scrap	0 00	0 00
Zinc, sheets	6 00	6 25
Spelter	0 00	6 30
Remelted	0 00	1 00
Russian sheet iron, per lb	0 10	0 10½

**Russian Grain Crops.**

The Russian Minister of Agriculture has just issued his preliminary estimate of the crops in Russia in 1889, which compares with the final returns for previous years, as follows. The figures do not include the crops in Poland. Reduced to quarters, the crops for the past three years have been as follows:

	1889.	1888.	1887.
Wheat	24,338,000	35,747,250	33,624,000
Rye	75,850,000	87,706,560	92,500,000
Oats	68,500,000	59,370,450	67,275,000
Barley	17,760,000	23,310,840	24,816,000
Millet	4,760,000	6,500,000	6,303,000
Buckwheat	7,250,000	7,750,000	7,500,000
Total	183,436,000	223,90,130	223,015,000

This statement shows at a glance how serious has been the deficiency in this year's crop compared with the two previous years. It is, however, a fact that, compared with the "average" yield in the five years ended 1887, the present year's crops do not present so great a deficiency; thus wheat, rye and barley are only about 10 per cent. below this average, whilst oats are a full average. This will ex-

plain the recent favorable official reports which have all along compared the crop with an "average," and not with that of the two previous years.

**American Flour in Great Britain.**

Regarding the import of American flour so far this year and the probabilities of its continuance the *Millers' Gazette* of London says:

Circumstances are favoring the export of American flour this season. The cost of rail and ocean transport of wheat has increased, so that relatively speaking, the American miller buys his wheat cheaper than we, and the freight on flour being comparatively less than that on wheat, the advantage lies with the American export millers. Thus we find that during October nearly 1,000,000 bags have been sent from the Atlantic ports to the United Kingdom, against about 750,000 bags in October last year, and about 800,000 bags in 1887. For the three months ended Sept. 30, the total exports from America (Atlantic and Pacific) were as follows:

	1889,	1888,
	bbls.	bbls.
September	853,075	950,393
August	1,018,735	874,062
July	838,793	810,419

Total 2,710,610 2,641,774  
There had therefore not been much increase in these three months, but the difference may be expected to swell pretty considerably as the season proceeds.

The *Mark Lane Express*, writing on the same subject, apparently does not look for an abnormal increase this year. "Flour imports," remarks this journal, "are always more considerable than English millers like. At the same time there is no very obvious increase going on at the present moment, and the custom which American brands enjoy, although large, seems none the less to have tolerably well marked limitations. During the nine completed months of the present year 4,089,686 sacks have been imported, but there has not been any week since Oct. 10, 1887, when the imports have exceeded 200,000 sacks. In the first nine months of 1888, 3,181,055 sacks were imported, in the same period of 1887, 5,305,948 sacks, of 1886, 4,731,890 sacks, and of 1885, 5,387,092 sacks. America is not just now shipping flour at all largely, but an increase may be expected with the new year, if not earlier."

**Canada Trade Returns.**

The exports for the first four months of the current fiscal year were \$46,816,464; for the corresponding period last year, \$34,620,696; increase, \$12,195,768. The imports for the four months this year were 41,643,174; same period last year, \$39,055,985; increase, \$2,587,389. The quarter's returns were of the most cheering nature, but with another month added the outlook is better than ever. The increase in exports may be considered extraordinary. The October figures alone show an augmentation of \$2,700,000. The value of mineral products is about the same as October, 1888. The fisheries show an increase of \$600,000; forests, \$800,000; animals and their produce, \$620,000; manufactures, \$110,000; agricultural products being about the same. The duty collected on imports in the respective four months is as follows: 1889, \$8,442,833; 1888, \$8,277,170.

**Brandon Farmers' Markets.**

Wheat has taken a considerable raise being now quoted at 68c. The grain buyers are not very anxious to buy at that price. Oats are steady. Barley is scarce, there being very little offering. The market is overstocked with beef. There is a good demand for pork, with a slight upward tendency. Mutton is holding steady at 7 to 8c. per lb. Chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys are coming in in great quantities and the price in consequence is varied as a number of stores are buying in trade for goods, each man having his own price. Butter is plentiful. Wheat, 68c.; oats, 45c.; barley, 45c.; flour, \$2 25 to \$2.75; bran per ton, \$14; shorts per ton, \$15; chop per ton, \$22 to \$25; potatoes per bushel, 65 to 70c.; hay (bulk) per ton, \$9; hay (baled) per ton, \$12; beef dressed, 4 to 5c.; pork, \$5 to \$5.25; mutton carcass, 7 to 8c.; chickens, 6 to 9c.; turkeys, 10 to 12½c.; geese, 10 to 11c.; ducks, 10c.; butter, 15 to 17c.; eggs, 18 to 20c.; cordwood, \$2 50 to \$4.50.—*Times*, Dec. 5.

**Grain and Milling Matters.**

The grist mill at Emerson, says the *Times*, is proving a veritable bonanza for farmers, and is being taxed to its utmost capacity day and night.

The receipts of Manitoba wheat at the Lake Superior elevators for the week ended November 30 were 69,683 bushels, the shipments 131,924 bushels and the quantity in store 429,269 bushels.

The new flour mill erected at Gretna, Man., by D. Peters & Co., commenced operations last week. It has a capacity of 100 barrels per day. The mill is furnished with the latest improved machinery, and will be a great accommodation to the farmers of this locality.

The Ontario department of Agriculture says in its recent report: "The yield of all wheat was small, but fair; barley above the average, affected with smut and rust, very little of it will be first class; oats above the average, have suffered extensively from rust; rye below the average, good; peas above the average, fair; roots below the average, fair."

Berbohm says: According to last postal advices from Russia, Odessa holders are very tenacious, and apparently confident of better prices in the future owing to their short harvests this year; they were consequently warehousing their wheat, so that stocks were increasing, and probably amounted to nearly 1,000,000 qrs. against 1,600,000 qrs. at this time last year the fresh supplies being fair.

A deputation from the Winnipeg Grain Exchange on Monday last waited upon the council of the Winnipeg Board of Trade and urged co-operation in securing an increased import duty on flour. A committee was appointed to secure all possible information regarding the millers' claim for an increased duty, the committee to lay such information before a full meeting of the board for the information of the members.

*Edmonton Bulletin*: The new mill at St. Albert, Northern Alberta, belonging to Hutton & Maloney, is about completed. The machinery is all in the mill, except the boiler which is expected in at any time. The building is 28x40 feet and 34 feet high. There are two sets of four feet stones, and a double stand of 9x

18 inch rollers, so that this district will have, what has long been required, a mill to manufacture roller process flour. The mill will be run by a 45 horse power engine, and will be able to turn out from 76 to 100 sacks of flour per day. It will be ready for work about the beginning of the new year.

Following are the returns made of wheat inspected at Winnipeg for the week ending November 30:

Eatca Manitoba hard.....	3 cars
No. 1 hard.....	38 cars
No. 2 hard.....	43 cars
No. 1 Northern.....	1 car
No. 2 Northern.....	17 cars
No. 3 Northern.....	4 cars
No. 1 White Fyfe.....	1 car
No. 1 rejected.....	7 cars
Rejected.....	8 cars
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>123 cars</b>

**Insurance Briefs.**

One of the orators at the last convention of the Underwriters' Association of the United States Northwest said that "Fire Insurance Companies are probably making more criminals, and doing more to debauch society by the methods of writing policies and adjusting losses, than any other industry in which capital is engaged."

We learn, says the *Liberal*, of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, that a number of local men interested in live stock held a meeting in Footes office this week, and agreed upon a plan of organizing a joint stock company with an authorized capital of \$200,000, to carry on a system of live stock insurance similar to that carried on in Ontario and England. We understand the necessary amount of stock has been subscribed, and application will be made for a charter as soon as the Local House meets.

The Cincinnati *Price Current* does not count much on the night watchman, as witness the following from that journal: "Another case has come to our knowledge where the bursting, breaking or overturning of a watchman's lantern set fire to a valuable property which was wholly destroyed. We again repeat our often stated opinion that private watchmen destroy more property by fire than they save. A watchman outside the building is much better than one inside. While outside or inside he cannot do any good, outside he is not likely to do any harm."

The *Budget* says: "While we are not sticklers for state or government supervision, we think that the system in this country is better than that in vogue among our neighbors. While every province of the Dominion, has its own insurance laws and insurance department to authorize and regulate its own, the local companies, there is also a Dominion insurance department at Ottawa, which authorizes and regulates all companies, native or foreign doing business throughout the Dominion. Under this system foreign companies must be licensed through the Dominion insurance department at Ottawa, before they can legally transact business in the Dominion. But a company thus licensed may spread itself over every province in the Dominion, or select a province, or provinces, in which only it will operate. Native companies having only provincial authority, cannot legally do business outside that

province. Thus it will be seen that our government system of insurance supervision is more flexible, and less oppressive towards the companies, than is the system, or systems of the United States. It also distinguishes between Dominion and provincial authority, and conserves the rights of each government, local or general. To put it in few words,—a license from the insurance department at Ottawa, covers the whole Dominion, but a license from a provincial department covers only the province issuing it."

FOLLOWING is a statement showing the value of goods exported, imported and entered for consumption, with duty collected thereon at Winnipeg, during the month of November, 1889, and compared with the same month of 1888:

	Value, 1888.	Value, 1889
Exported.....	\$105,524 00	\$ 38,927 00
Goods imported, dutiable.....	102,516 00	186,529 00
Goods, imported, free.....	18,732 00	73,025 00
<b>Total imported.....</b>	<b>\$121,248 00</b>	<b>\$259,554 00</b>
Entered for consumption—		
Dutiable.....	\$108,009 00	\$186,486 00
Entered for consumption—		
Free.....	18,732 00	73,025 00
<b>Total entered for consumption.....</b>	<b>\$126,741 00</b>	<b>\$259,511 00</b>
Duty collected.....	\$ 36,088 73	\$60,158 45
The Inland Revenue collections at Winnipeg for November were as follows:		
Spirits.....	\$12,075 81	
Malt.....	1,507 35	
Tobacco.....	9,346 60	
Cigars.....	642 15	
Petroleum.....	254 78	
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$22,826 72</b>	
The transactions at the Dominion Government Savings Bank, Winnipeg, during November were:		
Deposits.....	\$19,822 00	
Withdrawals.....	26 260 22	
<b>Excess of withdrawals over deposits.....</b>	<b>\$6,438 22</b>	

**General Notes.**

H. E. Hamilton, boot and shoe manufacturer, Toronto, has assigned. Liabilities \$40,000, assets \$55,000.

William Thompson & Co., wholesale hardware, Toronto, have assigned. Liabilities are \$60,000; nominal surplus, \$30,000.

Immigration into the United States in October was 39,032, against 40,365 for same month in 1888, according to preliminary reports. For four months since July 1 the total is 141,839, against 156,964 last year. For ten months since January 1, 378,140, against 473,172 last year.

Cable advices from primary markets report a very strong temper to the wool market, a despatch from London, England, stating that the sales on Wednesday showed a large volume of business at an advance in prices of fully ten per cent, with a strong upward tendency. Here values are firm and several sales of Greasy Cape were made this week at 18 to 18½c per pound, the finer qualities being quoted at 18½ to 19c.—*Montreal Trade Bulletin*.

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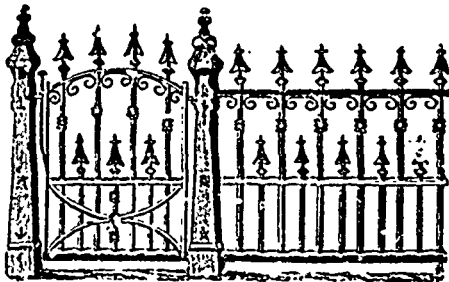
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12 15 p.m.	1.40 p.m.	Winnipeg	0	9:25 a.m.	4:15
11.57 a.m.	1.32 p.m.	Portage Junction	3	9:35 a.m.	4:31
11.30 a.m.	1.20 p.m.	St. Norbert	9	9:48 a.m.	4:54
11.00 a.m.	1.07 p.m.	Cartier	16	10:00 a.m.	5:18
10 17 a.m.	12.47 p.m.	St. Agathe	23	10:17 a.m.	5:51
10 07 a.m.	12.30 p.m.	Silver Plains	32	10:37 a.m.	6:27
9 35 a.m.	12.30 p.m.	Morris	40	10:56 a.m.	6:59
9 00 a.m.	12.10 p.m.	St. Jean	47	11:09 a.m.	7:27
8 24 a.m.	11.55 a.m.	Letellier	56	11:33 a.m.	8:00
7 55 a.m.	11.33 a.m.	West Lynne	65	12:01 p.m.	8:35
7 15 a.m.	11.00 a.m.	De Pembina	68	12:15 p.m.	8:50
7 00 a.m.	10.50 a.m.	Winnipeg Junction	75	12:30 p.m.	9:05
	2.25 a.m.	Minneapolis	85	1:00 p.m.	9:35
	4.40 p.m.	St. Paul	95	1:30 p.m.	10:05
	4.00 p.m.	Helena	105	2:00 p.m.	10:35
	6.40 p.m.	Garrison	115	2:30 p.m.	11:05
	3.40 p.m.	Spokane	125	3:00 p.m.	11:35
	1.05 a.m.	Portland	135	3:30 p.m.	12:05
	8.00 a.m.	Tacoma	145	4:00 p.m.	12:35
	4.20 a.m.			4:30 p.m.	1:05

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9 50 a.m.	4 00 p.m.
9 35 a.m.	4 15 p.m.
9 00 a.m.	4 51 p.m.
8 38 a.m.	5 16 p.m.
8 10 a.m.	5 43 p.m.
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14 05 De	Lethbridge	Ar 1 30
15 55	Woodpecker	23 35
16 50	Purple Springs	22 40
17 45 Ar	Grassy Lake	21 45
18 00 De	Cherry Coulee	20 55
18 50	Winnifred	20 00
20 00	Seven Persons	19 55
20 55	Dunmore	18 45
22 10 Ar		De 17 30

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16 00		Portage la Prairie	ARRIVE 15 30
17 45	35	Gladstone	12 05
18 45	61	Necipawa	10 38
19 45	79	Minnedosa	9 55
20 59	94	Rapid City	8 30
21 30	115	Snoal Lake	8 00
22 30	138	Hirtle	7 00
23 30	155	*Bismarck	5 55
24 10	166	*Russell	5 15
24 40	180	*Langenburg	7 15
1 45	206	*Saltcoats	3 40
ARRIVE			LEAVE

† Meals.

\*Trains for Bismarck leave Birtle Tuesdays and Saturdays only at 22.50, returning leave Bismarck Wednesdays and Mondays only at 5.55. For Russell leave Birtle Tuesdays only at 22.50, returning leave Russell Wednesdays only at 5.15. For Langenburg and Saltcoats leave Birtle Saturdays only at 22.50; returning leave Saltcoats Mondays only at 3.40. For Rapid City leave Minnedosa Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 20.00; returning leave Rapid City Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8.30.

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