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WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 8, 1890.

Manitoba.

W. J. Wilson, grocer, Winnipeg, has sold out to Charles Wiggins.

Mr. Gilmore has opened out in the auctioneering business at Carberry.

Mrs. Vanderwee, fruit and hotel, Winnipeg, advertises business for sale.

Fullerton & Ross, general storekeepers, Manitou, contemplate giving up business.

H. E. Turner has been appointed agent for the Massey Manufacturing Co. at Portage la Prairie.

The Patterson & Pro. Co. have opened an agency at Crystal City with Jas. McNance as agent.

John L. Wells, hardware merchant, has bought out the American Plumbing Company, Winnipeg.

J. D. Pierson, proprietor of the Anglo-American Hotel at Grotna, has sold out to Ritz & Widmeyer.

R. C. Scott, of the Merchants Bank, Hamilton, Ont., has been appointed to a position on the Winnipeg staff.

Jos. Young, & Co., general storekeepers, Souris, have dissolved partnership; business continued by J. Young.

Fire at Belmont, Man., destroyed \$10,000 worth of buildings and farm implements belonging to a farmer named Winfred.

Jas. Andrew, banker, Oak Lake, is building large livery and feed stable at that place, which he has leased to Chas. Cloworth.

Rountree & O'Connor are disposing of their hotel at Manitou to T. Carson, who was

proprietor of Waverly House at Winnipeg some time ago.

J. W. Shaw, dealer in dry goods, clothing, etc., Griswold, is offering to sell out. He states that he intends disposing of his stock over the counter.

H. B. Brown who was proprietor of the Morden House, Morden, some years ago but sold out to A. H. McCallum, has recently purchased that hotel back and will run it in future.

P. J. Flanagan, who comes from New Market, Ont., has leased the Leland House at Oak Lake. John Crawford, who was lately in charge of this house has moved to Lethbridge, Alberta.

The American Art Gallery of Winnipeg have opened a branch photo gallery at Moosomin, Assa. C. P. Hathaway is in charge of the business, which is intended will be made a permanent one at Moosomin.

J. E. D'Aoust is opening a general store at Oak Lake. This gentleman has recently arrived in Manitoba from St. Timothie, Quebec, where he has been in the general store trade for some years. He brings his stock along with him.

Hallonquest, who started in the general store trade at Oak Lake about a year ago, has recently formed a partnership with C. W. Cavanagh. The new firm will continue business under the style of Cavanagh and Hallonquest. Mr. Cavanagh is a commercial traveller for Thos. Ryan, boots and shoes, Winnipeg, which position he still continues to hold, notwithstanding his interest in the Oak Lake business.

There is no shortage of cars at present. Last week long lines of empty cars were standing at stations all along the C.P.R. Farmers' deliveries of grain during the early portion of the week were at a very low ebb at most points, on account of the decline in prices, hence the accumulation of empty cars. It is confidentially expected in the country that prices will advance and therefore farmers will not market wheat at the prevailing prices.

H. A. Scarth has opened a general store at Griswold. He has rented a large new building erected this season by Alex. S. Speirs, and has stocked it with goods. Mr. Scarth comes from Sebringville, Ont., where he has been in the general store trade for twenty years, and he has brought his stock along with him. He states his determination to conduct business in a vigorous manner, and make Griswold as big a market as any in Manitoba for the purchase of general merchandise.

In rural sections of Manitoba, it is said that not more than one half the wheat has been threshed yet, and in but few sections has threshing been finished. Passing along the railways, threshers can be seen at work everywhere, and sometimes several machines can be observed at one time. This is additional evidence that there will be a large quantity of grain to market this year. The movement has already been large at some points, though threshing was far from being nearly completed.

The Northern Pacific Railway Company's new time table will go into effect on Dec. 7th. The express train for the south leaves Winnipeg at 11.30 and arrives in Pembina at 2, and in St. Paul on the following morning at 7.07. The north bound express passes Pembina at 1.35 p.m. and reaches Winnipeg at 4.10 p.m.

The train for Portage la Prairie leaves Winnipeg 20 minutes after the arrival of the train from the south, and that town is reached at 7.30 p.m. In the morning a train leaves Portage la Prairie at 8.50 and reaches Winnipeg at 11.50. On the Morris and Brandon branch a passenger train from Brandon to Morris runs on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and from Morris to Brandon on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. It leaves Morris at 2.30 after the arrival of the train from Winnipeg, and reaches Brandon at 8.15. The eastward bound trains from Brandon leave there at 7.25 a.m. and reach Morris at 12.50 p.m., connecting with the north-bound express which arrives in Winnipeg at 4.10.

Alberta.

The Park Hotel, at Calgary, is about to be reopened by A. Carey.

There are 17,000 tons of Galt coal in store at Danmore. The colliery pay roll at Lethbridge is near \$30,000 a month.

The Canadian Agricultural Company have leased new premises in Calgary and have decided to fit them up in first-class style, with a view of conducting their meat business on a more extensive scale. This company at present own about 25,000 sheep and also a large number of cattle.

Assiniboia.

J. J. Golden, auctioneer, Winnipeg, has opened a branch at Saltecoats.

C. J. Atkinson & C., printers, Regina, contemplate disposing of their business.

William Cruickshank, general merchant, Regina, has admitted to partnership Thomas Ptolmy, and business is continued under the style of Wm. Cruickshank & Co.

Robt. Mitchell, sewing machine agent, etc., Regina, has opened a stationery and fancy goods store at that place, which he will carry on in connection with his other lines.

Yorktown, on the line of the M. & N. W. Railway, is growing rapidly, and numbers amongst its places of business two stores, post office, doctor, drug store, meat market, livery stable, lumber yard, grist mill, creamery, brick yard, and they want a good hotel man, shoemaker, etc.

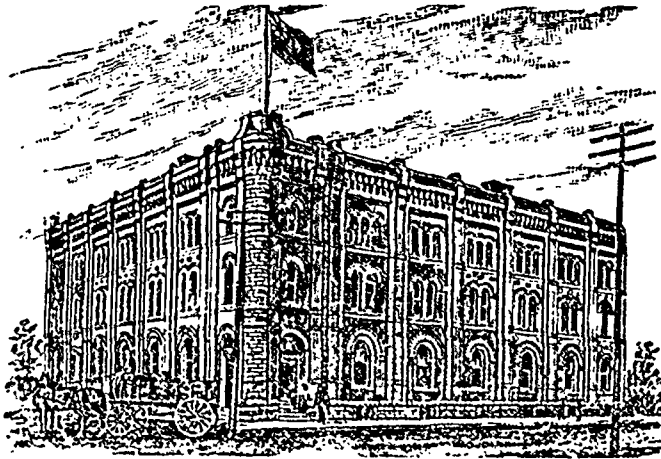
General Notes.

The prospectus of a new bank to be called "The York County Bank" with headquarters at Toronto has been issued. The capital will be \$1,000,000.

It has been announced that the Montreal Life Insurance Association has been finally organized and officers elected. A membership of nearly fifty is reported already.

The announcement that Postmaster-General Wanamaker will shortly issue postage stamps with mucilage of assorted flavors, including lemon, vanilla, strawberry, pineapple and sassafras, is probably a campaign pleasantry.

Official figures issued from the Montreal Live Stock Exchange show 123,600 cattle and 43,700 sheep exported from Canadian ports to Great Britain during the past season. Compared with last year, this is an increase of nearly 38,000 cattle, and a decrease of 5,600 sheep.

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THERE seems now to be no hope of any modification of the extreme provisions of the McKinley bill during the next two years. Although the opposition to it in the Washington House of Representatives are in an overwhelming majority, the Administration still hold a slender majority in the Senate, and that majority slender though it be, is able to block the wheels of national legislation, and thwart measures of reform, which two-thirds of the direct representatives of the people demand. The Administration too, if we are to judge from the tone of President Harrison's message, throws its weight in with the Senate majority, and places itself on record as a mere obstructive combination, making use of the power given them from the people of the United States, to frustrate the wishes of the same people. In Canada we may have reason to complain of the ostentation and courtly slobber with which a Governor General is surrounded. But with all the defects of our system we have that acme of progressive legislation responsible government, which bars any party from holding power in opposition to the vote of the people's representatives, a system which the United States with all their boasted political progress have not reached, although they need it as much as any nation in the world. With all his purely ornamental qualities Canada is better off with its Governor-General, than with a president like President Harrison, who now fills the bill simply as a political party pug to stop a hole through which the tenure of official power is likely to leak. It is doubtless well for the opponents of the McKinley bill, that President Harrison and his colleagues take this pig-headed stand against the wishes of the peoples' representatives, for it will make the fall of himself and party all the greater in 1892. In the meantime, however, the trade affairs of the United States must suffer severely under the uncertainty, which must be produced by the knowledge of the Administration being determined to thwart the known will of the people.

SEEMINGLY there is trouble over the inspection of Manitoba wheat this year, and Grain Inspectors have anything but a pleasant time

of it with dealers here and in the east. The Inspector at Winnipeg, and the one at Port Arthur, have disagreed in their grading, and the Port Arthur man has not been grading to please the Toronto Inspector. The law in connection with disputed gradings is, that each dispute must be decided by a grain examiners board of the district in which the Inspector is located. In by-gone years there was a difficulty, in cases where grain had been graded here and then in the east, as to which board of grain examiners should decide the appeal, although a fair interpretation would seem to be, that the examiners would have to be in the same district as the Inspector against whose decision the appeal was taken. otherwise an Inspector's certificate issued in Manitoba would be practically a guarantee against deterioration in the quality of the grain while in transit to the east, and to expect such a guarantee in connection with the damaged grades established this and other years for temporary purposes, requires an allowance of gall that even eastern millers and grain men seldom possess. This year the trouble seems not to be so much about damaged wheat, as about the grade of No 2 hard. The standard selected for this grade by the representatives of Western Boards of Trade in October last, is, to say the least of it, quite as low in quality as can be accepted, and quite a number of grain men both here and in the east, assert that the standard is too poor in quality to fill the requirements of the Act. Be that as it may, the Department of Inland Revenue, at Ottawa, has decided, that appeals against grading at Winnipeg and Port Arthur must be investigated and settled by the examiners at Winnipeg where the standards are now by law selected. No doubt disputes about grading will be frequent before all the grain of this year is marketed, for the great variety in quality and condition of the receipts coming forward will make it impossible for an Inspector, no matter how competent he may be, to give satisfaction to both seller and buyer in every instance.

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Owing to the low price of wheat at Alexander, Man., some farmers are shipping to Fort William and holding it there for an increase in price.

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The Canadian Government has been notified that Canadian cheese stood in the front rank and received the highest awards at the annual show of the British Dairy Farmers' Association in London, recently.

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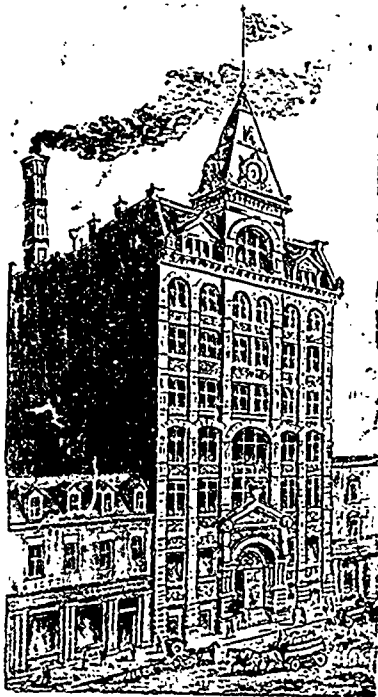


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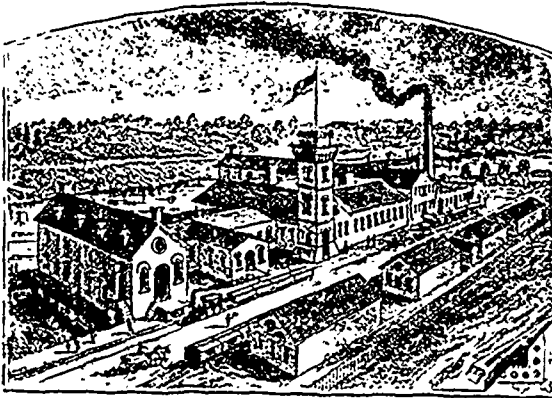
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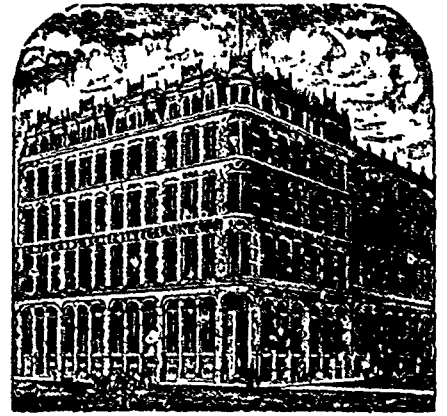
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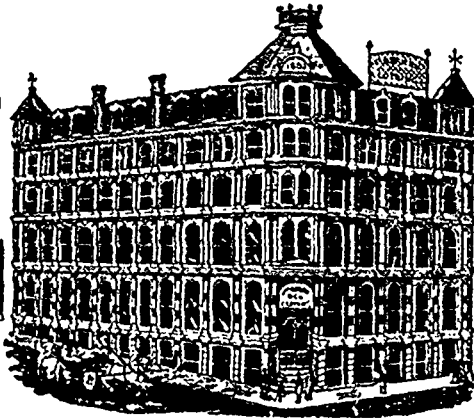
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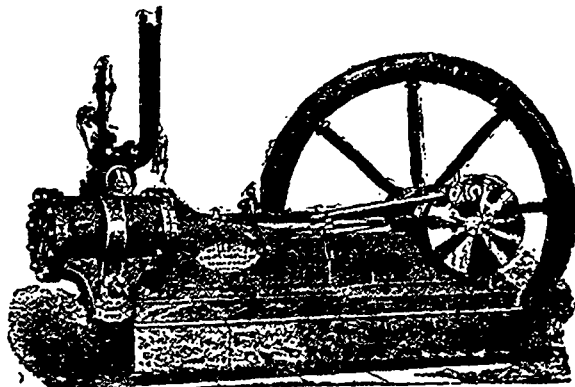
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TRUCKING PRODUCE.

The system of trucking for the produce of the farm, no doubt, had its origin in the days when neither this Dominion nor the United States had a proper system of money or currency circulation, by which the necessities of outlying districts could be supplied with a sufficiency of a circulating medium; and another factor in establishing the truck system, especially in the Western States, was the uncertainty in value of much of the wild cat paper currency, which was in circulation before the days of a national currency. That the truck system had its origin in this source is made plain by the fact that in Great Britain, where there has been no shortage in the supply of a circulating medium during the present century, the custom of the farmer parting with his products for anything but money, is almost unknown.

This system of trucking farm produce is anything but commendable either in the interests of farmer or trader, and while it has been the cause of much dissatisfaction to the farmer in this new country, it has been a steady source of loss to the trader. In the days when there was an insufficiency of a circulating medium in the country, trucking was an absolute necessity at times, and when the great bulk of the medium was made up of wild cat money, the farmer was often safer to take merchandise than the so-called money for his produce. But in the present day, when there is abundant money in circulation to supply the wants of every class of the community, the truck system is not only pernicious in its tendencies, but altogether unnecessary, and should be in the interests of trade reform eradicated from our whole mercantile system.

The work of wiping out the truck system has made such progress in the northwest, that every class of grain and live stock are paid for in cash, so that for such products the farmer can always find a ready money market. But it is in connection with butter, eggs, hides, and such commodities that trucking still exists, and in localities where there are no cities or towns of importance, it is the exception to find a cash market for such goods, and it is this practice which causes great dissatisfaction to farmers, and is invariably productive of loss to the trader. It is productive of dissatisfaction to the farmer, because farmers as a class can only be satisfied with ready cash for anything they have to sell, and they are not always satisfied with that. It will, however, prevent them from indulging in anything but their constitutional growl, without which we suppose a farmer cannot live and raise crops successfully.

If the dissatisfaction of the farmer was the only bad result of truck, it could be borne with. But the loss and injury to the trader is a matter of far greater importance. In the first place the trader who gives merchandise for produce, never can tell what profit he has on his sales. He simply gives away one

chance of making a profit for another, of which he is by no means so sure. He has completed a transaction about as intelligible and profitable as that of the English miner, who boasted of having sold his bull dog for fifteen pounds sterling, and on being asked if he got the money, replied: "No; but I got three poops, worth a five pound note a piece." The boasting miner had to wait until they grew up to see if his three pups turned out as valuable as his estimate, and the trader has to do the same with his produce. In nine cases out of ten, he parts with goods of a steady, if not of a fixed, value, for others in marketing which he has to take all the chances of a market fluctuating and uncertain.

But the greatest objection to the trucking of produce is, that it puts an unsurmountable barrier in the way of grading such produce. This fact is lamentably apparent in connection with butter. At a convention of retail merchants held in Winnipeg last spring, this matter was freely discussed, and by all speakers it was admitted, that with trucking going on, it was impossible to make one farmer believe, that his butter was worth less than another farmer's. Any attempt to grade it was at once resisted and the butter taken to some merchant, who would allow for all butter alike, and as was stated at the convention, there was no difficulty in finding a merchant who would do so; or pretend to do so, in order to get a customer from a competitor. The only cure for such a state of affairs is a system of strict cash payments for butter, no matter where the seller purchase his other supplies. The price of butter in its different grades would then adjust itself to its different levels, and would be as clearly understood by the farmer as are the different qualities of wheat on his local market. The fact that the trucking system is responsible for this lumping of all grades of butter at a price, is a sufficient incentive of itself to make country merchants combine, to drive the abominable practice out of the country.

But it is amusing sometimes to note how the trucking farmer can squeeze the eager trader up in the figures for his produce. A common practice is to take the figures quoted in this journal as a basis of value in such transactions. Choice dairy butter for instance is quoted at 20c a pound. Of course the farmer insists on that price, or he may be reasonable enough to allow one cent a pound for freight to Winnipeg. Now of the butter coming into the city of Winnipeg from the country, not ten per cent. can be graded as "choice," less than twenty per cent. will grade as high as "good," and less than forty per cent. will grade up to or over "good medium," the remainder being from poor medium down to indifferent grades. There are many merchants in the country, who will truck at high prices for such mixed receipts of butter as above detailed, and, with a hope of evening up in an other way, help themselves steadily into bankruptcy, where too many of them arrive, but if a system of cash payments were in force and each transaction showed up at the outset as an actual cash loss to be made up, there is not one trader in fifty, who would take the chances of being able to make it up, even when a new customer was secured by so doing.

We might follow up this argument in connection with other articles of produce as well as butter, but further illustrations are not necessary to show the folly as well as the loss and danger in connection with trucking produce. The system has been banished out of the grain trade, and can be as thoroughly dispensed with in the connection with the marketing of every other commodity produced by the farmer. The power lies in the hands of our country retailers to abolish this relic of barbaric days, for such it really is. It has been wiped out in Winnipeg and one or two of the other important points in the province, and it is to be hoped that traders in smaller places will make a combined effort, and sweep the last vestige of truck from the northwest.

BULLS AND BEARS.

Under the heading of "The Wheat Situation," a writer in the *American Elevator and Grain Trade*, named R. James Abernathy furnishes a string of statistical statements in a forcible effort to convince people, that there is a decided shortage in the world's wheat supply, and much higher prices than now exist must come for the crop of the present year. Mr. Abernathy is evidently a furious bull on wheat, and has nothing but abuse to spare for any person or persons with bearish inclinations. Courtesy to customers is a thing he has never for a moment studied, and the British buyer, who is not prepared to buy American wheat at the prices Mr. Abernathy, and such as he, would like to fix, comes in for the following complimentary language:—

"Then they tell you Great Britain will not buy our wheat at present prices. Of course she will not, nor would she at the price so long as she is supplied. Great Britain never buys largely; for the first two or three months after her own crop comes in; nor does she buy much so long as she can obtain supplies from other countries more anxious to sell than Americans need be. But she has always had to come and buy before the year rolls round, and it is perfectly safe to say that she will continue to do so for at least several years to come. Great Britain's refusal to buy is simply a bluff that need alarm no one."

But it is for that class of speculators known as bears that Mr. Abernathy reserves the most powerful vials of his wrath, when he roasts them with the following paragraph:—

"It might as well be admitted in advance that there are some chronic bears that are never transformed. They are destructionists by nature, and stand in the same relation to mankind in general that the vulture and carrion crow do to the feathered kingdom. They fatten and thrive on death and decay. When men are groaning under a load too great to be borne, the bears jump on them with both feet, thus adding to the burden and increasing the misery, and they tramp and pound in hilarious glee while yet a glimmer of life remains, or until the bulls, with new steel tips on the points of their horns, bring them up with a round turn, and send them high in the air, as they sometimes do. This ought always to be done when the bears are at their nefarious business of tramping a lifeless market, or of forcing prices already too low to a still lower level. At all such times corners are justifiable, if only the crafty chronic bears could be caught; but as a rule they make their escape after the first loss, and leave their ignorant followers and dupes to hold the bag. The chronic bear is both a vulture and a coward that runs to cover at the first note of alarm."

If we judge from the fact, that Mr. Abornathy has not a single word of condemnation for speculative bulls, nor are forced to the conclusion, that he commends their actions generally. A speculator who will bear prices so as to bring loss or perhaps bankruptcy to some other speculator or speculators, is a fiend in the eyes of such men as Mr. A., while a speculator who takes advantage of circumstances to raise wheat to a ransom price, while millions of the masses of humanity are crying hungry for bread is a party worthy of commendation. The most fanatical religious or political bigot would blush to own such one-sided argument in propagating his peculiar views, but Mr. Abornathy has the unblushing impudence to introduce such nonsense into the practical field of commerce, and the big-headed presumption to expect that cool-headed business men will swallow it.

Whether Mr. Abornathy is or is not correct in any of the conclusions, he draws from the mass of figures he uses in his article, we do not think it worth our trouble to inquire. It is evident from the outset, that he is only a bigoted partizan in wheat-bulling interests, and consequently the most unreliable kind of a man from whom to expect a cool, level-headed calculation.

In judging of the merits or demerits of speculative bulls and bears the industrious grain producer and collector is at a loss which to choose. In the bear he has a high way robber, who shouts his "stand and deliver," while in the bull he has a sneaking prig, who pretends to be his friend while he is filching from him what little he really has. The bull pretends to force prices up in the interests of the producer, but he invariably waits until the grain is all out of the hands of the producers and country buyers and collectors, before he and his colleagues begin to force things upward and form corners. In fact it is hard to decide whether bulls or bears are the worst enemies of industrious producers and legitimate dealers. The speculative transactions they engage in remember one of the newly imported old German's ideas of Chicago. The phlegmatic Teuton is reported as having said, "Chicago beebles all live in de gountry, und dey gomes in do der zity efferly mornin, where dey cheats one an udder all t'ay, und dotsh vot dey galls pishness."

RETALIATION FOR MCKINLEY.

There is quite a large and influential section of the United States press, which is not only in opposition to the practically prohibitory tariff of the McKinley bill, but which expresses fears, not by any means groundless, that foreign nations which have been heavy importers from the States may enact retaliatory measures likely to seriously interfere with the export trade of the latter. Of course the conscientious portion of the press, in viewing a piece of legislation, which they rank as an act of national folly, are very prone to calculate that other nations are not unlikely to commit similar folly in their desire to get even, if we may use the term, or to put it in commonplace metaphor that they might cut off their nose to spite their face. How much necessity there is for such fear can only be guessed at by a look over what other nations have done in the past.

If we look to France and Germany, where the protective tariff has been carried to a pitch of folly, or a suicidal degree, almost as great as in the United States, there is a prospect of the fears being realized. France has found a wide field in the past in the United States for much of her manufactures, and the McKinley bill puts quite a check upon her export trade. That the French legislators may try to find some policy of retaliation or even reprisal, is not out of keeping with the tariff tinkering policy of that nation commenced in 1872, and steadily increased in its details since that year. Germany, too, has shown for many years a strong drift in the direction of high protective tariff, and would not require a very long stride to reach a position from which her statesmen could retaliate quite forcibly on the United States. In fact the peremptory manner in which American pork exclusion from the empire has been re-enforced without a moment's consideration, shows a temper which could soon be fanned into more open acts of retaliation. With other countries of Central and Southern Europe, the danger of retaliation is less, not because there is any more lack of the spirit which would prompt it, but because none of those countries have in the past availed themselves so largely of the United States as an export market, as have France and Germany.

But the most important point for United States exporters to consider is, how will Great Britain act on the matter of retaliation? This important question finds a lucid answer in a reference to the tariff policy of British statesmen in the past. The policy of these statesmen has been to admit free of duty, or at a mere nominal duty, anything and everything required by the masses of that thickly populated country. They never for a moment lose sight of what they consider their first and most important duty, namely, to secure from any and every market in the world at the lowest possible prices the articles considered necessities of life among the masses of the population. They first reduce the cost of the laborer's living to a figure far below what can be reached in any tariff-burdened country, and thus place the producer in a position to produce cheaper than can possibly be done, where the cost of living is enhanced by tariff. No British statesman dare propose to forsake this fundamental principle in the arrangement of national tariff, without being speedily consigned by the public voice to political oblivion. There is therefore no fear of the McKinley bill provoking any retaliation from Great Britain, as British statesmen can afford to do without any such political trickery and jugglery, and still keep their country what it is in spite of all the protective and prohibitory tariffs of other nations, namely, the industrial pivot and workshop of the world.

But what interests us most in this province is the probable action of our Dominion politicians with regard to retaliation for the McKinley bill. Rumor has it that their retaliation is going to take a very practical form. That commercial agencies are to be established in Mexico, the different countries of South America, Australia and other countries, which will be employed to stimulate and develop trade between these countries and the Dominion. If

such agencies are established with a view of getting at practical results, instead of being to make positions for political party followers and hangers on, then our Ottawa authorities are starting out in the right direction. It is a fact Canadian politicians know mighty little about outside countries, or if they do, they have given no evidence of such knowledge in connection with their trade policy. Since 1878 their trade policy has been so trimmed as to enable a few tariff-bolstered manufacturing industries to live by sucking the life blood out of the home consumer, without making the slightest attempt to seek a market in foreign countries. Tariff has been piled upon tariff that meant to protect one man being in the majority of cases a tax upon another's raw material, until an extricable tangle has been reached, without the protected ones being able to contribute to any appreciable extent in increasing the exports of the Dominion. They have evidently been so ignorant of the advantages of export trade as to think it not worth encouraging. If they will only set their proposed foreign commercial agencies to make honest inquiry they will find that in low tariff and cheap production Canada can find a highway to a place among the great exporting nations of the world, and at the same time a clear path to trade prosperity and development throughout the length and breadth of this vast Dominion.

The Export Egg Trade.

Considerable interest continues to be manifested in the exportation of Canadian eggs to the English markets, says the *Montreal Trade Bulletin*, and further shipments are being made on this week's steamers by those who have been advised by cable of the net proceeds of their previous consignments. An egg expert from Liverpool was in the city a few days ago, and when he was shown the pickled eggs turned out for sale here, he stated that he never saw any pickled stock in England as fine, and that he felt convinced they would command higher values than any pickled stock at present being sold there. It was thought at one time that most of the eggs in Canada had been sent across the border before the McKinley bill came into force, but it seems that quite a number of dealers anticipating such a result held back their eggs. Offers have consequently been made of several cars of pickled eggs by western firms who were supposed to be quite bare of stock. A cable was received by a Canadian shipper last week, reporting good prices for his eggs, and advising him to ship largely. Most of the eggs received in England from the continent are packed in straw, but the expert above referred to thought that when receivers on the other side became acquainted with our mode of shipping which has previously been referred to in the *Trade Bulletin*, namely, in cases of 30 dozen, each egg being in a separate compartment, they would prefer it to the old continental system of packing in straw. Besides the count of our cases is said to be more adapted to the trade, containing 369 eggs each, or three hundred of 120 to the hundred. It would now seem that with the inducements held out for the establishment of an export trade with Great Britain, there is no occasion for farmers to curtail their egg production.

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WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

In connection with trade, monetary affairs in the city have been moving very lazily during the past week. The grain movement had not recovered from the break in prices of three weeks ago, when fresh breaks of the past week in the eastern markets tended to further check up the local movement, and cause a let up in the demand for funds for that purpose. Still the aggregate of advances on wheat is heavy, as holders cannot afford to sell at present prices, and make the loss such sales would bring, and banks are consequently carrying quite a load in this way, and have met the demands of the trade so far with liberality and promptitude. The returns from the country on general trade paper falling due have not shown the improvement to be expected at this time of the year, and on the fourth quite a large proportion of the paper falling due had to be attended to by the discounters, the only redeeming feature being that there were a large number of part payments made, some of which were small compared with the obligation, but the number for which renewals in full were asked was not numerous, and the irregularities very few. There can be no doubt but banks are feeling some strain, but as yet they have given forth no complaints, and attend to the wants of regular customers with readiness. Either markets must improve so as to bring out a freer selling of grain, or holders must be prepared to let go at present low prices before there can be any plethora of funds at the banks. Discount rates hold steady at 7 to 8 per cent. on regular trade paper. Business in real estate mortgage loans is far from being rushed. In the city scarcely a new application is heard from, and until farmers feel better over prices of grain the number from the country will continue to be few. Interest on farm loans is quoted steady although almost nominal for the present at 8 per cent.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

There is no improvement to report in the general state of wholesale affairs in the city since our last issue. The only little flush of activity has been in connection with a few fancy lines for the holiday trade, and a little call for a few winter sorts created by the cold snap with which the past week opened, which again fell flat by the middle of the week. In lines dependent on building and contracting there has been a straggling business done in the city, but there has been no demand of any kind from the country, and that trade is considered over for a year. In season lines of staple goods there is practically nothing doing. The winter sorts trade is finished, and the feeling is too quiet throughout the country for retailers to buy freely from samples for spring delivery. Most houses in this branch are now stock taking, and preparing to start with the opening of 1891 into pushing sales of spring goods. It is in connection with staple commodities of every day consumption that the feeling of quietness is made most apparent. Cash returns from the country are anything but encouraging, and while they are so neither city wholesalers nor country retailers care to push matters in the way of sales, but keep holding things close by the head, waiting for money to move more freely, and until it does move, there can be no improvement. That there is grain enough

throughout the country ready to move is well known, and three weeks ago when the movement was free, there was a marked improvement in collections all over the country. Since the drop in grain prices a bid change has come, and it seems as if it would continue for some time, unless grain prices materially improve. Every farmer is more or less determined to hold for higher figures, although there are probably over 3,000,000 bushels of wheat threshed and ready to haul to market, and this quantity is steadily increasing. How long the strain will be maintained is a question hard to even guess at, but while it does last it will keep quite a heavy damper on general trade, besides bringing other less important evils.

BURNING OILS.

A fair trade was done in this branch last week, prices ruling steady as follows: Water White, 31c; Eocene, 33c; Sunlight, 23c; Naptha, per case, \$3.50; deodorized gasoline, \$3.50.

DRUGS.

This is one of the few branches in which business is active, sales being quite liberal for the week, and collections are reported fairly good. The movement in fancy sundries in view of holiday time aids the volume materially. Prices are unchanged and steady. Quotations are: Howar's quinine, 55 to 65c; German quinine, 45 to 55c; morphia, \$2.25 to \$2.50; iodide of potassium, \$4.25 to \$4.75; bromide potassium, 60 to 70c; English camphor, 80 to 90c; glycorine, 30 to 40c; tartaric acid, 65 to 75c; cream of tartar, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg, \$6 to \$8; bicarb soda, \$3.75 to \$4.50; sal soda, \$2.50 to \$3; chlorate of potash, 25 to 30c; alum, \$4 to \$5; copperas, \$3 to \$3.25; sulphur flour, \$4.50 to \$5; sulphur roll, \$4.50 to \$5; American blue vitrol, 10 to 12c.

DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, ETC.

There has been a big lull, except during the first two days of the week, when a few winter sorts were called for on account of the sudden cold snap. Orders from spring samples come in slowly from the far west, but are scarcely heard of in the province, most houses holding off from pushing such sales there. Stock-taking is now general, and will take up the attention for the next ten days.

DRIED FRUITS.

Prices of every kind of dried and evaporated goods hold stiff, and supplies are getting short in some lines, dried apples being now out of the market. Prices of goods although firm have not made any apparent advances. Quotations are: California London layer raisins, \$3.00 per box, do. 1/2 boxes, \$1.00; Valencia raisins, \$2.20 to \$2.40 per box; London layer raisins, \$3.75 per box; currants, 7 cents per pound.; choice new Eleme figs in 10 lb. boxes, 16c per lb.; choice figs, 13c per lb.; fancy Eleme layer figs, 20 lb boxes, 18c per lb.; figs in 1 lb cartons, per doz., \$1.75; golden dates, in 50 lb. boxes, 9c per lb.; California evaporated fruit—apricots, 22 to 24c per lb.; peeled peaches, 27 to 30c per lb.; pitted plums, 18c; raspberries, 35c; prunes, 9 to 11c per lb. as to quality, the higher quotation for choice of best varieties; nectarines, 21 to 23c.

FUEL.

Cold weather has brought out a much heavier demand. Prices hold steady. Quotations here are as follows: Anthracite coal delivered, \$9.25; bituminous, \$8; Galt at \$7.50. Tamarac wood in car lots on track, \$4.50 to \$4.75; poplar \$2.90 to \$3.10; oak, \$6; maple, \$6.50.

FISH AND OYSTERS.

Colder weather allowing of regular freight freight importation has broken prices in some lines. Whitefish are quoted at 7c a pound; B. B. fresh hullfish, 15c; Finnan haddock in 30 pound boxes, 10 1/2 a pound. Fresh and kippered herring in small quantities have been on the market. Fresh oysters in bulk are held at \$2.40 per gallon.

GREEN FRUITS.

Business has been fairly active, and would be more so if the variety of stock was greater. Prices hold firm all round, although unchanged as yet. Quotations are: Apples, \$4 per barrel for poor stock to \$5 50 for fancy; oranges in barrels \$6 to \$6.50; in boxes \$6.50 to \$7; California grapes in kegs \$9; California pears in boxes \$1.50; cranberries in barrels, Bell and Cherry, \$11; Bell and Bugle, \$12.

GROCERIES.

This staple branch seems to be in a rather unsatisfactory state at present. Collections come in so slow and so irregularly that there is no effort on the part of wholesalers to push sales, and a disposition on the part of retailers to hold buying to the lowest possible limit. With a freer circulation of money, and better collection sales would show a decided increase. There are no changes in prices to report. Sugars are easier at the refineries, but the extra winter freight now in force prevents any decline here. Quotations are as follows: Sugars—Yellow, 6 1/2 to 6 3/4; Granulated, 7 1/2; Coffees, green,—Rios, from 24 to 25c; Java, 27 to 29c; Old Government, 29 to 32c; Mochas, 33 to 35c. Teas: Japan, 23 to 46c; Congous, 22 to 60c; Indian teas, 35 to 60c; young hyson, 26 to 50c. T. & B. tobacco, 56c per pound; lilly, 7s, 52c; diamond solace, 12s, 48c; P. of W., butts 47c; P. of W., caddies, 47 1/2c; Honey-suckle, 7s, 55c; Brior, 7s, 53c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index 4 thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunnets Solace, 12s, 48c. McAlpine Tobacco Co's plug tobacco: Old Crow, 40c; Woodcock, 52c; Beaver, 63c; Jubilee, 60c; Anchor, 59c; cut tobacco: Silver Ash, 65c; Cut Cavendish, 70c; Senator, 80c; Standard Kentucky, light, 85; do dark, 80c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40; Terrier, \$30 per 1000. Mauriceo, \$42.50; Soudaa Whips, \$40.00; Turkish Caps, \$35.00; Commercial Traveller, \$25. Special selects, \$55; Selects, \$45; Columbia, \$45; Cauucks, \$40; Derby, \$35; Sports, \$30. 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.

Unless in the city there has been no demand for the heavy lines used in building, while other heavies have been rather slow in movement. Shelf goods also are moving slower than they did in November. Collections are reported light and slow. There are no changes of prices reported, and there has not been sufficient interest in business to call attention to prices. Quotations here are as follows: Cut nails 10d, and upwards, \$3.25; I. C. tin plates \$6.00 to \$8.25 as to grade; I. C. tin plates double, \$12.00 to \$12.50; Canada plates, \$4.10 to \$4.25; sheet iron, \$4.00 to \$5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, net prices, 1 inch, 10 1/2c; 1 1/2 inch, \$13 1/2c; 1 3/4 inch, \$16 1/2c; 2 inch, 25 1/2c per foot; ingot tin, 30c per lb; bar tin, 32c per pound; sheet zinc, 7 1/2

and 8c per lb.; galvanized iron, 28 guage, 7½ to 8½c lb; bar iron, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; shot, 6 to 6½c per lb.; tarred felt \$2.30 to \$2.40 per 100 lbs.; barbed wire, 6½ nett.

PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.

In the city there has been a flagging and irregular demand for some lines of paints, and a few calls for glass, but no orders from the country are heard from. Prices are unchanged, and in most instances almost nominal. Local linseed oil is now on the market at the same figures as the best imported article, although purer in quality. Quotations are: Turpentine in barrels, 70c per gallon; in 5 gallon cans, 81c gallon; linseed oil in barrels, raw 80c; boiled 83c; benzine and gasoline, 50c; pure oxide paints, in barrels, 90c per gallon; coal tar \$6 a barrel; Portland cement, \$4.90 a barrel; Michigan plaster, \$3.25 a barrel; putty, in bladders, 3½c a pound, bulk in barrels, 3c; whiting in barrels, \$1.50 a cwt; Crown pure white lead, \$7.25; Royal Charter, \$6.75; Railroad, \$8.25; Elephant pure white lead, \$7.25; Elephant No. 1. do., \$6.25; Bulls head do., \$5.75; Calomine, \$6 per 100 pounds; Alabastine, \$7.25 per case of 20 packages. Window Glass, first break, \$2.10.

WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

WHEAT

Wheat has again experienced a set-back, and the week past was one of frequent and rapid changes and nervousness. It only required a straw apparently to turn the market in either direction. Operators were excited and generally inclined to stand from under, and let the market slide whenever there were indications of weakness. There was some strength on Monday, when it was known that the visible supply increase was only 333,000 bushels, against an increase of 1,345,000 bushels the same week a year ago. Exports of wheat and flour from Atlantic ports for the week ended Saturday last were equal to 1,397,530, against 640,000 bushels for the same week a year ago. On Tuesday at Chicago prices closed 1c lower. The news of a decrease of 1,650,000 bushels in wheat on ocean passage caused a firmer feeling, but this was overshadowed by rumors of further bank failures and excitement in financial matters. On Wednesday wheat took a tumble again to under 90c for December delivery at Chicago. May wheat declined 3c. Among the bearish news was Dornbusch's report of the available supply in sight for the United Kingdom, which estimated it at 12,000,000 bushels more than a year ago. On Thursday there was some strength due to reports of large export clearances, but bank failures again caused weakness on Friday.

The local situation in Manitoba has been an interesting and muddled one, and the week was one of considerable excitement among grain men. The advance of prices during the closing days of the previous week, and the comparatively high prices paid during the week by the milling firms, being the most interesting features. The grain dealers were practically shut out of the market by the prices paid by millers in country markets, which prices it was generally acknowledged were far above a parity with the value of wheat in outside markets. In Manitoba country mar-

kets 70c per bushel was paid farmers for best samples. How the two large milling concerns could pay these prices was the question agitating the grain shippers, and charges were freely made that there must be some inside arrangement as to freights which allowed the millers to outbid other shippers. This of course is mere conjecture on the part of the shippers, but this belief, combined with the rumor that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company would establish a system of country grain warehouses on its lines throughout Manitoba, has caused intense feeling among grain shippers. A couple of stormy meetings were held in the city last week, at which grain men and representatives of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company were present. Shippers also demanded a lower export rate from the railway companies. Prices were dropped in country markets 2c per bushel on Friday, and to day (Saturday) a further reduction of 2c is to be made. At Brandon on Friday all the grain buyers except the millers withdrew from the market on account of the high prices being paid by the latter.

On the call board at Winnipeg on Friday, 55c was bid for No. 2 hard, afloat at Port Arthur, immediate delivery, 63c was bid for 5 cars same grade, Brandon freight. 55c was bid for No. 3 hard, at North Bay. Ten cars No. 2 northern at Brandon were bid at 63c, and 5 cars December at 88c at North Bay. For No. 1 frosted 79 to 88c was bid at North Bay, and 65c was bid for 10 cars No. 2 frosted, also on a basis of North Bay freights.

FLOUR

The depression in wheat has caused continued weakness in flour markets generally. All the mills, however, are running regularly. Locally prices have been maintained and are quoted as follows per 100 pounds: Patents, \$2.60; strong bakers', \$2.40; XXXX, \$1.40; superfine, \$1.20; middlings, \$2.60; graham flour, \$2.40.

MILLSTOLFS.

Prices are unchanged. Bran \$12 a ton; shorts \$14.

OATMEAL, OIL CAKE, ETC.

Quotations are steady in these commodities. Prices are as follows: Oil cake in bags, \$21 a ton; oil cake meal in ton lots, \$26.50; in car lots \$25; Oatmeal, standard \$2.60; granulated, \$2.70 per 100 pounds; rolled oats, \$2.70 per sack of 80 pounds; Cornmeal is held at \$1.50 per 100 lbs. Pot barley, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

GROUND FEED.

There is practically nothing doing in ground feed locally, beyond a light city trade in small quantities. Mills are offering good ground barley and oats at \$18 per ton.

OATS.

The prices of oats is well maintained and the figures now being realized are much better than could have been expected earlier in the season, especially in view of the fact that there is a good deal of wheat only fit for feed and barley likewise is mostly only of feed quality this year. The light crop of oats in Eastern Canada is the cause of good prices here, our surplus being wanted for shipment in that direction at fair quotations. Oats for shipment eastward are worth 26 to 28c on track here. On the local market farmers' offerings bring 25 to 26c for fair to good quality, and good milling oats will bring a little better, per bushel.

BARLEY.

Very little offering and mostly of feed quality, which is taken at 25 to 30c per bushel. Barley fit for malting is taken by brewers at 30 to 40c.

BUTTER.

There is little now to say about butter. The supply reaching the city is ample, but not

enough to foreshadow any glut. Stocks in the country are known to be light for this season of the year, and there is consequently a firm feeling which keeps prices rather above exporting figures. Choice dairy will still bring 18c, and fancy lots as high as 19c, but fancy and really choice are scarce. Medium to good range from 15 to 17c. High grades have to be selected from all round lots, and the very best of the latter would not sell for over 16c. No-body seems to want any inferior goods, and they are not plentiful.

CHEESE.

Fine eastern lots can be laid down for about 11c, and the small stocks still in the hands of a few factories are held at that figure. Wholesale merchants are selling prime goods to retailers at 12½c.

EGGS.

Cold weather has set off new supplies, and pickled are now on the market and offered at 22c. An offer of 25c was made for cases of really fresh but could not be filled.

LARD.

No change to report; Chicago 20 pound pails are offered at \$2; and local and Ontario at \$2.20.

CURED MEATS.

The feeling is a little easier now since our last report, and with the prospect of local cured goods being on the market this month, there is a drooping tendency in prices. Quotations are: Dry salt bacon, 9½ to 10c; smoked 10½ to 11; spiced rolls, 12½; breakfast bacon 13½; boneless, 14c; smoked hams, 14.

HIDES.

Receipts are now mostly frozen hides, this class coming in freely and quoted at 4c a pound in round lots.

POTATOES.

There were very few potatoes offered on the market last week, the cold weather seems to have paralyzed trade. From 25 to 30c is the ruling price.

DRESSED MEATS.

A very unsatisfactory state of affairs existed in the market for dressed meats last week. No really choice beef was offered at all, and what was offered was what one dealer termed "rubbish." This rubbish was meat which, if it had been offered on the hoof, would not have been saleable at all, and in a dressed condition it only met a very indifferent demand. From 4½ to 5c was offered for medium and 5c for choice, this being only nominal. Mutton 9c, veal 5 to 6c, and dressed hogs 7c.

LIVE STOCK.

A few old carloads of cattle came in last week but nothing to speak of was done in this branch. Quotations remain at 3c for No. 1 beef and 2½c for medium. A few hogs were offered at 5c but they are very scarce.

HAY.

A firmer feeling was noticed in hay prices, indicating that there was not so much offered as the week before. Farmers are waiting for more snow to make good roads before bringing any more to market. Good No. 1 loose was quoted at \$6 to \$7 and medium \$4 to \$5. Baled hay on track \$7.50 to \$8.50.

Notice is given that application will be made to parliament next session for an act to incorporate the British North American Railway company to construct and operate a railway from Winnipeg to the Saskatchewan river, and to extend to Hudson's Bay, with all the powers conferred by the "Railway Act" and to conduct and operate telegraph and telephone lines and with power to construct, charter and navigate steam and other vessels, and to construct and operate all the necessary works in connection therewith, and also with power to acquire the line of the Winnipeg & Hudson's Bay Railway Company, and to arrange with the bond holders thereof.

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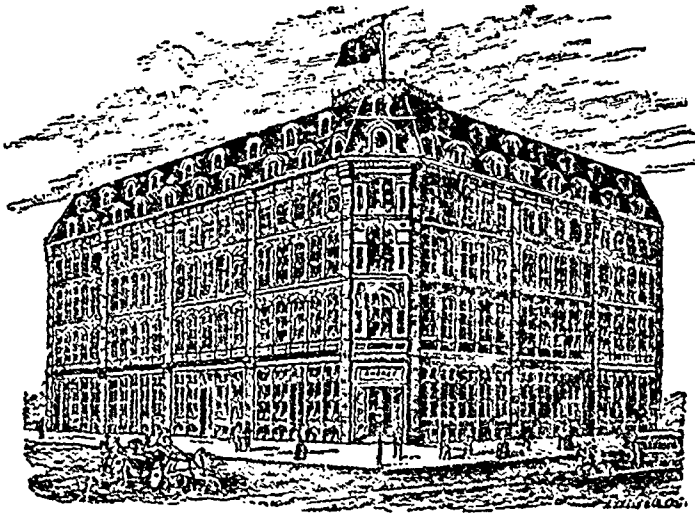
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STOCKS.	Shares, Par Value.	CAPITAL.		Reserve as per last Statement.	DIVIDEND PER CENT.			CLOSING RATES PER CENT.	
		Subs. Red.	Paid up.		Last Half Year.	Present Half Year.	When Payable	Sellers.	Buyers.
BANKS.									
Montreal	2 0	12,000,000	12,000,000	0,000,000	5	.....	June, Dec.	2 24	2 32
Ontario	100	1,500,000	1,500,000	250,000	3 1/2	.....	June, Dec.	1 12	1 11
Molson's	50	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,100,000	4	5	April, Oct.	1 02	.....
Toronto	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	5	.....	June, Dec.	2 25	2 10
Merchants	100	5,000,000	5,700,000	2,300,000	3 1/2	.....	June, Dec.	1 43	1 40
Commerce	50	6,000,000	6,000,000	300,000	3 1/2	.....	June, Dec.	1 30	1 25
Imperial	100	1,500,000	1,500,000	700,000	4	.....	June, Dec.	1 52	1 49
Dominion	50	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,300,000	6 1/2	5	May, Nov.	2 30	2 27
Standard	50	1,000,000	1,000,000	400,000	3 1/2	.....	June, Dec.	.....	1 44
Hamilton	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	450,000	4	.....	June, Dec.	.....	1 12
INSURANCE.									
British America	50	500,000	500,000	*188,268	3 1/2	.....	Jan., July.	1 12	1 09
Western Assurance	40	1,000,000	500,000	1307,039	5	.....	Jan., July.	.....	1 43 1/2
Canada Life	40	1,000,000	125,000	112,134	.....	.....	Feb., Aug.	.....	.....
Confederation Life Association	100	1,000,000	100,000	187,543	.....	.....	Jan., July.	.....	.....
Canada North-West Land Co.	25	£1,000,000	£1,310,450	£11,000	.....	.....	.....	72	70 1/2
C. P. R. Land Grant Bonds	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 1/2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Canadian Pacific Railway stock	100	.....	.....	.....	2 1/2	.....	Feb., Aug.	75 1/2	73 1/2
LOAN & SAVINGS CO.									
British Can. Ln. & Invest Co	10	1,000,000	322,770	70,000	3 1/2	.....	Jan., July.	.....	1 00 1/2
Building & Loan Association	25	750,000	750,000	100,000	3	.....	Jan., July.	.....	1 23
Canada Landed Credit Co.	50	1,500,000	664,000	100,000	3 1/2	.....	Jan., July.	.....	1 23
..... 20 per cent.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25 1/2	1 22
Canada Permanent Ln. & Sav Co	1 50	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,340,000	6	.....	Jan., July.	2 01	.....
..... 20 per cent.	.....	.....	500,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 91	.....
Freehold Loan & Savings Co.	100	3,221,500	1,317,000	629,000	5	.....	June, Dec.	.....	1 32
..... 20 per cent.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 21
Hamilton Provident & Ln. Soc.	30	1,500,000	1,100,000	200,000	3 1/2	.....	Jan., July.	.....	1 25
Imperial Loan & Inv't Co.	100	620,550	627,000	113,000	3 1/2	.....	Jan., July.	1 25	1 22 1/2
Lon. & Can. Ln. & Agency Co.	50	5,000,000	700,000	300,000	4	4	Mar., Sep.	1 23 1/2	1 22 1/2
London & Ontario Investment	100	2,500,000	500,000	150,000	3 1/2	.....	Jan., July.	.....	1 14
Manitoba & North-West Ln. Co	100	1,250,000	512,000	111,000	3 1/2	.....	Jan., July.	.....	.....
North of Scot. Jan. Mortg. Co	50	3,234,201	610,672	225,000	5	.....	Jan., July.	.....	1 51 1/2
Real Estate Loan & Deben	50	800,000	477,000	5,100	Jan., July.	56
Western Canada Savings Co	60	2,000,000	1,500,000	750,000	5	Jan., July.
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Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Wheat opened quiet and easy on Monday at a shade below Saturday's close. It being delivery day, trading did not commence until 10.30 and was then only small in volume. A feature of the market was the further widening of the difference between December and May, the latter selling at 83 to 84 higher than the former. In oats there was a quiet but fair speculative business confined chiefly to May.

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	92½	95½	—	1.01 3-5
Corn	56½	50½	50½	53½
Oats	43	43½	—	45½
Pork	8.75	11.20	11.35	11.90
Lard	5.70	6.10	6.25	6.57½
Short Ribs	6.02½	6.52½	5.05	6.02½

On Tuesday, wheat opened strong, and during the first half hour went up to about 3c above Monday's close. Later in the session, unfavourable news arrived from the east causing a reaction, and May dropped to \$1.00½. The highest point touched by May was \$1.02½, but this was only on a few sales. Provisions were lower, but not weak. Closing prices were:—

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	91½	91½	—	1.00½
Corn	50	50½	—	53½
Oats	43½	43½	—	45½
Pork	8.75	10.97½	11.15	11.77½
Lard	5.70	6.05½	6.17½	6.52½
Short Ribs	5.05	6.47½	5.60	5.97½

Wheat opened strong on Wednesday, and after advancing fully 3c took a sudden drop and fell off nearly 3c from the top prices of the day, closing 2½c lower than yesterday. Oats sold within a narrow range all day, chiefly in May. Closing prices were:—

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	89½	92½	—	98½
Corn	49½	43½	—	53
Oats	43	43½	—	45½
Pork	8.50	10.75	10.90	11.57½
Lard	5.60	5.97½	6.10	6.50
Short Ribs	5.00	6.40	5.52½	5.90

Wheat recovered a little on Thursday from Wednesday's weakness and showed considerable firmness towards the close of the day. Closing prices were 3c higher than Wednesday, and 3c from the bottom price of the morning. Closing prices were:—

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	90½	92½	—	99½
Corn	51½	50½	—	53½
Oats	43½	43½	—	45½
Pork	8.45	11.07	—	11.52-55
Lard	4.67	5.92	—	6.47
Short Ribs	4.90	5.40	—	5.90 92

On Friday wheat was firm until the news of the failure of another banking firm was received, when it declined 1c. This was partially recovered before the close, which was 3c lower than opening prices. Closing prices were:—

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	90½	92½	—	99
Corn	51½	51	—	53½
Oats	44½	45½	—	45½
Pork	8.25	10.50	—	11.40-42
Lard	5.55	5.82½	—	6.42½
Short Ribs	4.80	5.30	—	5.35

Minneapolis Market.

Following were closing wheat quotations on Wednesday, December 3:—

	Nov.	Dec.	May	On track
No. 1 hard	91	—	—	91
No. 1 northern	87	85½	95½	89½
No. 2 northern	84	84	—	84-85

Flour—Quoted at \$4.90 to \$5.20 for first patents; \$4.75 to \$4.90 for second patent; \$3.80 to \$4.20 for fancy and export

bakers; \$2 to \$2.25 for low grades in bags, including red dog. The markets are slow in all respects. This is the season when frost and ice always interfere with the turning out of a full output and they do so interfere now. Few orders are taken now for patents to go abroad for the mills have about as much sold as they want at current cost of wheat and current price of foreign bids.

Brand shorts—Quoted at \$12.75 to \$13.25 for bran, \$12.75 to \$13.25 for shorts, and \$15.00 to \$15.50 for middlings. Bran and shorts were both slow and in some cases they were offered at easy figures though the market is fairly steady.

Corn—Quoted at 50 to 53 on track. The offerings of new corn were fully equal to the demand with the sales from 50 to 51c mostly.

Oats.—Quoted at 39 to 43c by sample. This market steady and quiet with white oats ranging mostly at 40 to 42c.

Feed—Millers held at \$21.50 to \$23 with corn meal at \$21 to \$22.

Hay—Choice wild quoted at \$7.50 to \$9 and good timothy at \$9.25 to \$10. Fair wild brought \$7 to \$7.50.

Dressed Meats—Veal, choice 5 to 6c, fair to good 4 to 5c; mutton steady at 5 to 6c for choice. Good hogs are quoted at \$4.25 per 100 lbs.—Market Record.

Duluth Wheat Market.

No. 1 hard wheat at Duluth on Saturday, Dec 6, closed as follows: Cash, 88½; December, 88½; May, 98½.

Wholesale Business Transfer.

W. F. Doll, wholesale jeweller, Winnipeg, has announced his intention of retiring from business. A company, to be known as the Winnipeg Jewellery Company, is being formed to take over the business. The transfer will be consummated on January 1st, next. The management of the new company has not yet been announced, but the company will be composed of Winnipeg and Toronto parties, some of whom have been in the employ of Mr. Doll. The company will occupy the upper portion of the building at present occupied by Mr. Doll. The ground floor will be rented for other purposes. Mr. Doll purchased this block some time ago at a very low price, and he will now derive a good revenue from the rental of the building. Mr. Doll purposes taking a trip to Europe after the transfer of the business to the new company. Beyond this his future is undecided. He, however, owns considerable property here, including city and farm property, so that he will still have an active interest in Manitoba.

Alex. Davidson was killed by a fall in his own elevator at Cartwright, Man., last week.

A. R. Ruth has been appointed manager of the Massey Manufacturing Company's business at Carman, Man.

John A. Patterson & Co., importers of millinery, Montreal have failed. It is stated that the liabilities will exceed \$100,000.

Geo. McCullagh, a well known commercial traveller, died at the St. Boniface hospital on Friday, of hemorrhage of the lungs, after a long illness. He was for a number of years connected with the Manitoba Milling and Brewing company at Portage la Prairie, and was recently

travelling for the Northwest Aerated Water company.

The exports of Alaska for the past year have been as follows. Whalebone, \$1,519,000; whale oil, \$172,500; codfish, \$555,000; salmon, \$3,355,000; gold (estimated), \$2,000,000; fur seal, \$2,000,000. Besides these figures, various articles of export, such as bear, otter and mink skins, and sundry articles of small value, are sufficient to make up a sum total of \$9,840,000.

The Westminster Truth says of one of Winnipeg's prominent commercial travellers: L. Godbolt, representing the boot and shoe firm of J. & T. Bell, of Montreal is in the city. His trip has been one of great success, he having taken with him some of the largest orders that have ever been received from this province.

The smallest fire insurance company in the world is the Winstanley and District Farmers' Fire Insurance Company, the capital of which is £76, its income £25, and its total expenditure £9. The company is suggesting an increase of capital to £100.

A largely attended meeting of members of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange was held on Friday last to confer with Mr. Whyte and Mr. Kerr, of the C.P.R. The question of freight rates and other matters was vigorously discussed for some time, but it is understood no decision has been arrived at.

The project to build a line of railway through Alaska to Cape Prince of Wales, to connect with the Russian railway system through Siberia, thus linking the old and the new worlds with a railroad, is attracting attention in Alaska. "But there is a giant obstacle in the way of one unbroken line connecting the two hemispheres, and that is the Behring straits. Captain Emery, of the United States ship Thetis, stated that the only practical means of crossing these straits at all seasons of the year is by tunnelling under them"—Bradstreet's.

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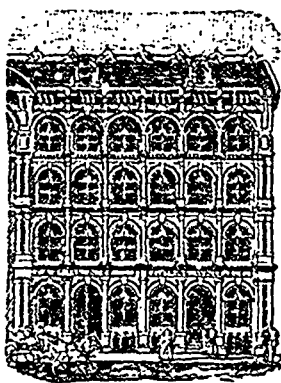
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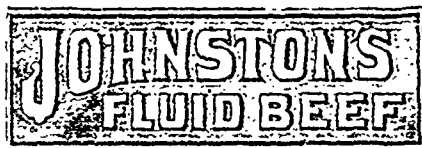
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Eastern Business Changes.

ONTARIO.

Jas. Smith, saloon, London, is dead.
 P. Levy, clothier, London, burned out.
 S. J. Price, tailor, Toronto, has assigned.
 D. M. Martin, hotel, Chatham, has sold out.
 John Taylor, hotel, Hamilton, has sold out.
 Jas. Turnbull, baker, Ottawa, has assigned.
 John Gordon, grocer, Pickering, has sold out.
 H. M. Bunbury, liquors, Ficton, has sold out.
 E. Richards, books, etc., Petrolia, has sold out.
 James McLaughlin, physician, Fingal, is dead.
 Joshua Wert, merchant, Avonmore, has assigned.
 Lee & Adams, tailors, Kingsville, have assigned.
 Jas. Freeborn, general store, Midland, has assigned.
 W. M. Brisbin, general store, Sundridge, has assigned.
 McAllister Bros., builders, Toronto, have assigned.
 G. E. Lowe, dry goods, etc., Ridgetown, has assigned.
 Becker & Becker, livery, Tilsonburg, have dissolved.
 Fraser & Dunn, drugs, Woodstock, have dissolved.
 Jas. Dover, general store, Haliburton, has sold out.
 Wilson & Gatzka, general store, Bright, are selling out.
 J. J. Gourlay, gents' furnishings, Toronto, has assigned.
 J. J. Ritchie, blacksmith, Foresters Falls, has assigned.
 McIntosh & Johnston, grocers, Port Arthur, have sold out.
 Tench & Elsey, grocers, Galt, are succeeded by Tench Bros.
 McAuley & Miller, evaporated fruit, Picton, damaged by fire.
 Cheesworth & Townsend tailors, Toronto, have assigned.
 John Swift, shoes, Stratford; style now John Swift & Co.
 Wear & Stokes, cigars, Windsor; style now Wear & Cameron.
 F. J. Fralick, clothing, Hamilton; stock damaged by fire.
 J. W. Young, general store, Hagermans Corners, has assigned.
 A. W. Thompson, jeweler, Port Arthur, has moved to Rat Portage.
 Graham Bros., general store, Norland, burned out; partially insured.
 J. M. Blackburn & Co., office furniture, Toronto, have assigned.
 Ladies Tailoring Association, Toronto, is going out of business.
 Scrutton & Anderson, carriage makers, St. Catharines, have assigned.
 J. Berwick & Co., groceries and liquors, Toronto, are offering business for sale.
 Murray & Sanderson, general store, Glen Allan, have dissolved; J. N. Murray continues.
 Stone & Williams, gents' furnishings, Chatham, have dissolved; W. M. Stone continues alone.
 R. C. Davis & Co., Japanese goods, Toronto, have dissolved; business continued by Atkinson, Garratt & Co.

Dobio Bros., general store, Wallaceburgh, have compromised at 75c on the dollar.

The following were burned out at Brussels: W. J. Fairfield, photos; J. G. Skene, general store; A. R. Smith, general store; A. Strachan, general store.

QUEBEC.

C. H. Wado, trader, Montreal, has assigned.
 Arsene Morin, trader, Henrysburg, has assigned.
 A. Labine, dry goods, Montreal, has assigned.
 W. H. Madden, crockery, Valleyfield, has assigned.
 Cintral & McNeil, marble, Montreal, have dissolved.
 A. Elvidge, furniture polisher, etc., Montreal, damaged by fire.
 United States Jersey Co., Montreal; T. Herman has ceased doing business under this style.
 C. R. Willis & Co., rope, Montreal; Eloise Remillard has ceased doing business under this style.
 Coutu & Co., vermicelli, etc., Montreal; L. H. Coutu has ceased doing business under this style.
 Bellhouse, Dillon & Co., chemicals, etc., Montreal, have admitted R. L. Dillon as partner under same style.
 Henry Chapman & Co., commission merchants, Montreal, have dissolved; business continued by W. R. Wonham under same style.
 Taylor, Howe & McIntyre, millers agents and commission, Montreal, have dissolved; J. Taylor, T. S. Taylor and J. M. Warner continues under style of Taylor, Son & Co.

NOVA SCOTIA.

G. A. Leslie, fish, etc., Halifax, has assigned.
 Robt. McKay, shoes, Halifax, has assigned.
 E. Gibson & Sons, planing mill, Halifax, have assigned.
 G. E. Smith & Co., hardware, Halifax, have dissolved; John White retires, G. E. Smith and Jas. Simmonds continues under old style.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

D. McCarthy, general store, Blackville, burned out.
 G. J. Trueman, general store, Sackville, is dead.
 Yerxa & Yerxa, grocers, Fredericton, have assigned.
 A. E. Cormier, general store, Caraquette, has assigned.
 James Hamilton, general store, Tidnish, has assigned.
 Sherman Johnson, general store, Belleisle Creek, has sold out.
 The following were burned out at Woodstock: L. N. Fletcher, jeweler, insurance \$2,100; Miss S. J. Gagnon, milliner, insurance \$200; Garden Bros., drugs, insured; F. McLean, meat, insured; R. McLean, fruit and confectionery; Misses Murray, dressmaking.

Trade in British Columbia.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

Everything is most satisfactory on the coast, and business very brisk. Last spring THE COMMERCIAL had occasion to correct some misleading statements made by a mercantile agency to the detriment of Vancouver. At that time, trade in that city was certainly not of the best, owing to the exceedingly hard and unusual winter. The degree of depression referred to followed not only a hard winter but

a partial real estate boom. Now, however, the conditions have been reversed. Real estate is very quiet, trade is active, labor is profitably employed in busy and rapidly expanding in districts, and the streets never before presented such a bustling scene. A feeling of confidence and satisfaction pervades the various communities of the province. Building has not been more than usually brisk in Vancouver or elsewhere, but the people have learned to depend upon other elements of success beside the piling up of bricks and the rise of real estate.

The fine weather has done much towards the present prosperity enjoyed, as well as considerable activity in railway construction in the interior; no less than three branch lines of the C. P. R. having been built this season. The large sugar refinery at Vancouver is just about completed, the raw sugar is arriving and operations will begin about the first of the New Year.

During the past few weeks there has been a decided improvement in the real estate market, although the number of agents is gradually being reduced and the business henceforth will be more and more confined to a few leading firms. The rainy season has always been notable for producing a movement in real estate.

The recent financial trouble in the world's money markets has had little other effect here than that of lessening the volume of discounted paper and rendering bankers and commercial men generally more cautious. The effect if any, is prospective rather than present, since considering that the British and foreign capitalists will be a little more shy of investment next season.

Shipping never was so heavy as at present, and, although for a week or so back it has been somewhat interrupted by fogs, every craft, big and little, is steadily employed, and find more business than they can accommodate. Lumbering business is steady and satisfactory.

The wholesale trade is reported good, with keen competition. The market is well stocked with butter, but in fair demand; creamery selling from 25c to 28½c. Potatoes have taken a tumble, and are down again to \$20 a ton. Case eggs are scarce at 25c a dozen, and fresh eggs are selling at 60c retail. Fruit is principally represented in California grapes, which are still coming in and plentiful at from 15c to 20c a pound, retail. There are plenty of Oregon and British Columbia apples, selling at 90c to \$1.50 a box. Salmon is scarce, but of good quality. Halibut and small fish are plentiful; also game.

General jobbing prices are as follows: Sugars are steady; yellow at 6½c, and granulated 7½c. Roll bacon, 13c; breakfast bacon, 14½c; hams, 15c. Lard—in tins, 12½c; in pails, 11½c. Salt salmon is worth \$9.50 for 200 pounds barrel. The price of canned salmon is still the same as last week, namely: \$1.50 per case. Hay is steady at \$16; oats, \$30 per ton; shorts, \$27; chopped feed, \$35; bran \$24; wheat, \$35; rolled oats, \$3.50 per sack; oatmeal, \$3.50; cornmeal, \$3.15. The price of flour here has not altered and it will not likely for some little time yet. Quotations are as follows: Manitoba patents, \$6.50; Manitoba bakers, 70; California, \$6; Oregon, \$5.40; Dayton, \$5.25; Premier, \$6.15; 3 star, \$5.69; 2 star, \$5.40. Onions are advancing, and are quoted at \$6 per 100 pounds for Spanish, and \$3 for other kinds.

J. E. Maynard has opened a tailor shop at Deloraine.

British Columbia.

A. Holmott, hotelkeeper, Victoria, has assigned.

Haynes Bros., bakers, Victoria, have dissolved.

Nelson will have a weekly mail service this winter.

C. Whetham & Co., real estate, etc., Vancouver, have dissolved.

J. G. Pomeroy, of Vancouver, has opened a furniture store in Centreville.

O'Toole & Ralph, stoves, tinware, etc., Vancouver, contemplate dissolution of partnership.

King, Dyer & Co., fruit, etc., Victoria, have dissolved; Charles King will continue the business.

McEdwards & Co., hotel, Vernon, have dissolved; the business will be continued by Tronson & Brewer.

The bark *Hamburg*, was loading lumber from Morse's saw mill, at Vancouver, for Chili last week. She takes upward of 1,000,000 feet.

The British Columbia Tannery Company have put in the necessary machinery at Nanaimo and have begun the manufacture of boots and shoes for the trade.

The Victoria Electric and Illuminating Company has been reorganized, the capital increased and a new directorate appointed. M. Hutchison continues as superintendent.

Eight cars of stock were recently shipped to New Westminster from Kamloops. Forty head of these were for Nanaimo, sixty for Victoria and the balance for Westminster.

The discovery of reputed good placer ground at the headwaters of the Salmon river has caused not a little excitement at Nelson. Claims for three companies have already been staked out and next spring will probably see a rush of miners to this locality.

The Fairhaven road will be in running order from Sedro, Washington, to New Westminster, where it connects with the Canadian Pacific, by Dec. 15. This, in connection with the Lake Shore & Eastern, will give a through rail line from Seattle to the Canadian Pacific.

A mining commission consisting of J. M. Kellie, M.P.P. for West Kootenay, Geo. Cowan, ex-M.P.P. for Cariboo, William Wilson, of Victoria, and G. B. Wright, of Hot Springs, Kootenay, will meet in a few days to discuss the necessary amendments to the mining laws of British Columbia.

The manager of a prominent ranching company in that province estimates the total number of cattle in British Columbia at about 80,000 head. The consumption of beef in the coast cities amounts to about 11,000 head annually, and in the interior about 5,000. The range cattle are now in fine condition and a mild winter is anticipated.

A representative of the Revelstoke Smelter Company was in Vancouver recently for the purpose of purchasing from the Smelter syndicates of that city the ore they will take out of the mines at Field during the winter. The works of this company have been closed down for some time, but operations will be resumed again shortly.

A war is imminent between the New Vancouver Coal Company and the Wellington mines. Already a cut of \$1 per ton has been made on Wellington coal, it now being offered

at \$7. To meet this cut the New Vancouver Company has lowered theirs to \$6.50. More reductions will follow these and consumers may expect cheap coal for some time.

Operations are being commenced on the New Westminster electric lighting plant with a view of having it running by January 1st. The contract was let some time ago to the Royal Electric Company, of Montreal. The arc lamp has been decided upon for street lighting and arrangements will also be made for furnishing incandescent lamps to stores and dwelling houses.

A deputation of Victoria business men waited on the Mayor and council of that city recently, with a view of ascertaining whether some action could not be taken to afford protection to the local traders who pay licenses, rent, taxes, wages and living expenses, and just at the season of the year when there is a prospect of doing a fairly profitable trade are entirely superseded by the itinerant auctioneer, who on the payment of \$50, gets the privilege of doing a business of \$20,000 or \$30,000. The council acknowledged the justice of the request and promised to do all in its power to remedy the evil.

A map of New Westminster district, including all surveys up to the present time, and also embracing roads, post offices, and all other general information, within the large area delineated, is being prepared by the engineering and surveying firm of Messrs. Hill & Kirk. They also expect to include in this work the results of the exploratory surveys sent out by the Provincial Government during this year. Early next year, Messrs. Hill & Kirk intend having the map published and ready for distribution. It will be a much more complete map of the district than any yet published.

The *Vancouver World* says: For some time back negotiations have been in progress for the consolidation of the ranching and butchering business of Van Volkeburg Bros. into a joint stock concern, and that has now been consummated. The firm have carried on business successfully for many years in this province. The sale of their ranches which are situated in the Nicola and Chilcooten districts, and of their wholesale and retail meat stores in Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster, was consummated recently, the British Columbia Cattle Company being the purchasers. The various properties are very valuable, and it is understood the new company will greatly increase the number of stock on the ranches, and introduce sheep raising, while the killing and sale of meat will be continued as before. Mr. R. L. Cawston, one of the members of the company, will take the active management of the concern.

The *Montreal Herald* in commenting on the fruit canning industry of British Columbia says: "Our Pacific province has for some time been celebrated in the edible line for her salmon, both fresh and canned, which, since the advent of the Canadian Pacific railway, has been largely imported into Ontario and Quebec, but British Columbia bids fair to be a strong rival in more than her supply of famous salmon. A new enterprise, a small shipment of which has arrived lately in Montreal, and met with an extremely rapid sale, consisted of canned cherries and plums. These goods have been put up by D. J. Munn & Co., of New Westminster, and are branded as famous Pacific fruit from the Fraser valley. They are of the finest

quality, and competent judges claim that no finer canned fruit has ever reached the city. This is claiming a good deal, but the old saying that the proof of the pudding is the eating of it, can be easily verified by tasting the green gages and cherries which some of the largest grocery houses in the city have obtained through Lockerby Bros. Munn's agents here. The prices are also nearly 25 per cent. less. Some of the largest fruit farms on the Fraser river are situated near Chilliwack and Delta, where peaches, pears, apricots, plums and cherries grow to a large size, and of fine flavor and quality. Next year all these varieties are to be canned, and a large market in the east is anticipated.

The New Tariff.

A new tariff on grain, flour, oatmeal, mill stuff, flax seed, oil cake, potatoes and hay to Port Arthur went into effect last week. It also applies to the M. & N. W. branch. From Winnipeg to High Bluff the rate is 21c to Port Arthur; from High Bluff to Alexander it is 22c; from Griawold it is 23c; from Oak Lake it is 24c; from Routledge and Virden, 25c; from Hargrave, Flkhorn, Fleming, 26c; from Moosemin, 27c; from Red Jacket to Grenfell, 28c; from Summerberry to Qu'Appelle, 29c; from Qu'Appelle to Moose Jaw, 30c; from Boharin to Swift Current, 31c; from Leven to Dunmore, 32c; from Stair to Calgary, 33c.

On the Deloraine branch the 21c rate holds to Thornhill; the 22c rate then comes into effect as far as Boissevain; while at White-water and Deloraine the rate is 23c. A 21c rate applies all along the Emerson branch. On the Glenboro branch there is a 21c rate to Carman; a 22c rate from there to the end of the track. Beyond Glenboro there will be three stations, Stockton, Treesbank and Vanapolis. On the Souris line there is a 22c rate from the latter place to Melita, when the line is completed to that point. On the M. & N. W. there is a 22c rate to Rapid City and Basswood; a 23c rate to Newdale; a 24c rate to Strathclair; a 25c rate to Shoal Lake and Kelloe; a 26c rate to Solgirth and Birtle; a 27c rate to Foxwarren and Binscarth; and a 28c rate on the rest of the line to Binscarth.

On the Prince Albert branch there is a 32c rate from Lumsden to Ayleysbury; a 33c rate from Craik to Hanley; a 34c rate from Dundurn to Hague; and a 35c rate from there to Prince Albert.

Grocers Want Shorter Credit.

A telegram from Montreal, dated Dec. 4, says: "Representatives of the wholesale grocery trade from various parts of Canada are in session here. Terms of credit to the retail trade and similar topics are being discussed. The term of credit is important to the trade and is one of the bones of contention with the retail men. Hitherto four months' time has given on general groceries and sixty days on sugar, molasses, canned goods and fish. The shortening is three months for general groceries and thirty days on sugar and that class—an allowance at the rate of twelve per cent. for the unexpired term being made in either case for cash payment. The terms proposed are not so short as those in the States." It is understood the wholesale grocery firm of Lightbound, Ralston & Co. are vigorously opposing the movement.

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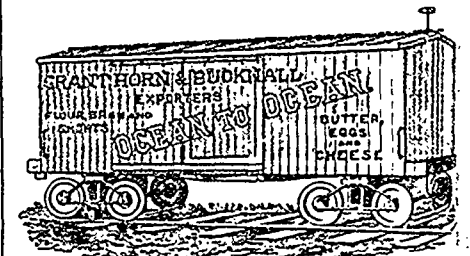
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The Royal City Planing Mills' New Westminster, B.C., average daily shipment of dressed lumber to the Western Territories is about four carloads.

The Royal City Planing Mills and the Brunette Saw Mills, New Westminster, are now busily engaged in getting out 5,000 ties each for the Westminster Southern Railway.

The Brunette Saw Mill, New Westminster, B.C., will be lighted by electricity. The necessary plant, including engine, dynamos, etc., is now being placed in position.

An unusual activity is reported in all the logging camps around Vancouver this fall. None of the camps have closed down for the winter yet, and possibly they will continue operations all winter. The season is undoubtedly the busiest Vancouver has ever seen.

The Brunette Saw Mills Company have received the contract for cutting the bridge timber for the Great Northern Railway across the Nicomekle River, and also for a quantity of railway ties for the Westminster Southern branch. A scow-load of 600 ties were shipped yesterday.

Application will be made next month to the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario-in-council for an act to incorporate the Capital Lumber Company of Ottawa. The objects for which incorporation is sought are to manufacture and sell timber and lumber of all descriptions; also to carry on business of a planing mill, sash, door and furniture factory.

A discovery has recently been made of a grove of giant redwood trees in Pierce county, Wash., similar in character to those of the Yosemite National park in California. Some of the trees are said to be 400 feet high and 13

feet in diameter. The people of Tacoma are agitating the subject of having a flag pole made of one of the tallest trees and sending it to Chicago as one of the contributions of the state of Washington to the World's exposition.

The Nanaimo *Free Press* says: A scheme has been on foot for the past few months to raise a syndicate in London, England, for the purpose of purchasing the Chemainus Saw Mills, together with their extensive timber grants. The scheme apparently failed in London, but has been taken up by a New York syndicate, who it is believed will have this valuable property transferred to them in the course of a few weeks, but as yet nothing definite has been settled.

Notwithstanding the difficulties in the way of rapid production early in the season, Minneapolis mills have succeeded in manufacturing more lumber in 1899 than in any previous year in the history of the business at this place. The total lumber cut is 311,571,362 feet, 162,217,500 shingles and 80,275,350 lath. The lumber cut is 65,718,714 feet more than it was last year and 6,911,067 feet more than it was in 1888, which was the best year for manufacturing prior to this.—*Mississippi Valley Lumberman*.

An invention, in the shape of endless chains, alternated with stationary timbers sloping to the lower part of the mill, for the safe transference of trimmed lumber is working very satisfactorily in the Brunette Saw Mill, at Westminster, B.C. The lumber is pushed on to a system of hooks attached to the chains after coming from the saws, and is gently and continuously deposited to where it is transferred to the waiting trucks by the men in attendance. The Brunette Mills, it is understood, were the first in the Province to take advantage of this way of carefully handling the lighter classes of lumber from the upper floors of the mill to the ground.

The Westminster *Columbian* of a recent date says: A large scow-load of choice hard timber arrived round from Howe Sound, consigned to Messrs. Wintemute Bros., of New Westminster. The timber consists of maple, birch, ash, and other hard woods, and among the maple there is some which is extra lustrous in its way. This consists of a number of planks of bird's eye maple, many of the planks measuring as much as 24 inches across, and from 20 to 23 feet long. This timber is beautifully marked and will make up into magnificent furniture and interior decorations. The fact of bird's eye maple growing in this country will no doubt surprise many who imagine that this species of the genus *Acer* is indigenous to Eastern Canada. Some experts who have seen the timber say it is quite equal to the best they have seen in the east.

Minneapolis will have a big macaroni factory. The capital stock will be \$100,000. The company will be known as "The Cunningham Egg Macaroni Company." The company will seek to manufacture under the Dole system the highest quality of Royal egg macaroni. Specially designed machinery will handle the product from start to finish. It is a matter worth the consumers' notice to know that under this scientific basis of manufacture the product is untouched by hand. It is proposed to make this one of the finest factories of its kind in the world. Royal egg macaroni will be shipped to all parts of the world, and orders are in hand now for a considerable quantity for the London market. It is estimated that a ready sale of thousands of cases will be effected annually in Australia.

The last key of the last section of the metal lining of the St. Clair tunnel, constructed by the Grand Trunk Railway Company, has been put in place. The stone portals of the tunnel are in process of erection and the approaches are being rapidly completed. It is anticipated that the tunnel will be ready for traffic in February next.

London Fur Sales.

The following is the report of Phillips, Pollitzer & Co's. October sales as contained in the *Fur Trade Review*—

The attendance at the sales, attracted by the unusual interest taken in the fur seal sale, was very numerous from the Continent and United States; and fur seals seemed to absorb all the attention of buyers, to the detriment of many other important articles.

The results point to a fairly satisfactory year's trading, prices in most instances being either maintained, or improved upon, since last sale.

The goods offered for competition were as follows:

Fur seals—In extraordinary demand, consequent upon, not only an enormous consumption, but also a short supply, the catch of Alaska skins having, through the alarming decrease in the number of animals on Alaskan territory, been suddenly restricted by the American Government, to one fifth of the usual quantity, viz., 21,000 instead of 100,000 skins.

Alaska—21,000 skins, (last year 100,000). A very fine parcel in excellent condition and of superior quality, realized an average advance of 75 per cent.—80 per cent., and were secured almost entirely for America.

Copper Island—42,712 skins (last March, 52,765). The collection usually offered in March, in very good condition, and of fine quality, sold at an average advance of 50 per cent. The bulk was purchased for America, but a considerable portion was taken for England.

North West Coast—17,189 skins (last year, 19,953). Of superior quality, advanced also about 50 per cent. on last sale.

Lobos—3,639 skins (last year, 5,084). Only of middling quality, advanced 35 per cent.

Cape of Good Hope—718 skins (last year 670). A small parcel of fair quality, of which the large sizes advanced only a little, while the small skins, bought for unhairing, sold at very high prices.

Raccoon—73,069 skins. A poor collection and rather neglected; sold 10 per cent. below last sale.

Skunk—26,766 skins. Mostly inferior lots, met with fair demand, and brought fully June prices.

Red fox—2,303 skins (last year, 1,175). Maintained fully June prices.

Marten—2,755 skins (last year, 2,503). Maintained fully June values.

Russian sables—1,974 skins (last year, 3,683). Have done better than last sale, and were all sold at 15 to 20 per cent. advance compared with June.

Lynx—420 skins (last year 344). Advanced 15 per cent.

White fox—2,137 skins (last year, 21). Not in request; declined 20 per cent.

Otter—344 skins (last year, 2,128). In improved demand; advanced 25 per cent.

Black, brown and grizzly bears—1,542 skins (last year, 2,172). In good request; black advanced 25 per cent.; brown and grizzly, 20 per cent.

American opossums—137,044 skins (last year, 4,684). Very much neglected; declined about 25 per cent. on the low prices of last sale.

Musquash—83,084 skins. Brought June prices.

Black musquash—6,793 skins. Brought June prices.

Mink—15,135 skins (last year, 2,660). The lower class skins sold 15 per cent. under June, while the few fine skins offered proved in very good demand and advanced 40 per cent.

Japaneese fox—40,702 skins (last year, 18,057). Advanced 20 per cent.

Real chinchilla—2,234 skins (last year, 480). The fine skins in good request and sold at 205 shillings per dozen.

Barard chinchilla—63,595 skins (last year, 44,230). Declined 25 per cent.

Australian opossums—1,048,806 skins (last year, 1,397,948). Although the quantities brought forward are smaller than this time last year, there was no disposition shown for large purchases, and the prices realized are about the same as in June last; a good many lots had to be withdrawn.

Wombat—58,454 skins (last year, 151,716): are in improved demand, and certain kinds suitable for tanning purposes sold at very high prices.

Wallaby—52,125 skins (last year, 59,194): are in improved demand, and certain kinds suitable for tanning purposes sold at very high prices.

Monkeys—51,800 skins (last year, 44,465). In fair request, and realized fully last sale prices.

Northwestern Ontario.

The Portage Lake Canal, originally a private enterprise, is to be sold to the government, and will, with its connections, be widened and deepened, furnishing a channel for the largest vessels and enabling them to avoid the detour around Keweenaw Point, the most dangerous piece of navigation on Lake Superior. The works purchased include two canals, one five miles in length, and connecting Lake Portage with Lake Superior on the east, the other two and one eighth miles long and making the connection to westward.

The Ontario Government have withdrawn from sale under the mining act and regulations of the province all lands lying between the eastern boundary of the township of Amrey in Nipissing and the western townships of Eston and Sprague in Algoma. No further sales, therefore, will be made in mining locations within this territory except where the application has been made accompanied by the necessary purchase money or where a large proportion of the purchase money has been paid in and where a substantial sum has been expended in developing the mine or in completing surveys of location. The present price of mining locations in the territory mentioned is \$2 per acre and it is understood the government proposes substituting for it a graduating scale of increased prices. The recent discoveries of nickel, copper, and other ores in certain sections of the territory in question have created a great demand for locations and applications for patents have been pouring into the Crown Lands Department in great numbers.

Bleached Wheat.

It has been shown by practical experiment at Virden, Manitoba, that first-class flour can be made from badly bleached wheat. A farmer offered a load of very hard-looking wheat on that market, for which the highest bid he

could obtain from half a dozen grain buyers was 30 cents per bushel. The farmer refused this, and finally took his load of grain to Koester & Son's mill at Virden, and had the grain ground into flour. A small quantity of the flour from this wheat was kept by the miller for the purpose of testing. This was made into bread by Mrs. Koester, and it has produced a first-class article. A loaf of bread from this flour was shown a representative of THE COMMERCIAL, and it appeared to be an excellent article. It was of good color, light and sweet, and in every sense a really good bread. The wheat was apparently very badly damaged from bleaching, and would generally be considered as almost unsaleable for milling purposes, but this practical test has shown that it was still valuable for milling. This wheat was also slightly frosted. Bleaching, though injuring the appearance of the wheat, apparently does not so seriously affect the quality of the grain as might be supposed from examining a sample. It certainly does reduce the quality of wheat, but not to such an extent as damage from frost. White frost destroys the substance of the grain and causes in it a chemical change which reduces its milling value in proportion to the condition of the grain when frosted, the effect of bleaching is more apparent on the outside, while the substance of the wheat is not so seriously affected. A plump, well matured sample of wheat will still make a good flour, though it may be very badly bleached.

Flour Prospects.

The flour market gives fair satisfaction to Northwestern millers, who are turning out a larger amount than usual, and whose sales are ahead of production. The one thing that is very encouraging is that the buying has not been for speculation so as to pile up a large surplus in the hands of dealers, with the flour to come back again on the market in case of an advance. The contracts made for its sale have so many of them been made abroad that the wider distribution will prevent much of the evil to millers of dealers underselling them now as they have many times before. Few millers expect, however, that there will be such an immediate rise as to bring that particular phase of flour business into sharp relief. Still, there is a well considered opinion that the markets have recently been about as low as conservative opinion would place them for this season, and that being so the tendency to higher prices would naturally leave in the hands of traders with a large surplus the means for successfully competing with millers after a rise in the cost of wheat.

This season's trade has not gone largely into channels of that character, which is unquestionably a good thing for flour makers. That is, a rise has not been so much anticipated by speculators in the trade as to give into their hands the power of demoralizing business. The domestic buying this year has not been of a very conservative kind, and until recently foreign buying has been light of patents, so that the business does not seem to be menaced by threatening conditions from any quarter, in the immediate future at least.—*Minneapolis Market Record.*

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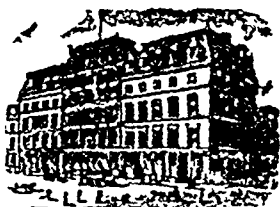
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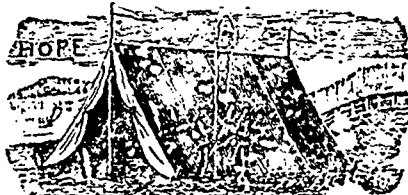
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TIME CARD.

To take effect at 6 a. m. Sunday, June 15, 1890.
(Central or 90th Meridian Time.)

North Bound				South Bound			
STATIONS				STATIONS			
Central Standard Time.				Central Standard Time.			
Freight, No. 119, 3rd Class.	Passenger, No. 117, 1st Class.	Miles from Winnipeg.	STATIONS	Passenger, No. 118, 1st Class.	Freight, No. 120, 3rd Class.	Miles from Winnipeg.	STATIONS
1.15p	5.35p	0	Winnipeg	10.05a	5.15p	0	Winnipeg
1.00p	5.27p	3.0	Portage Junction	10.12a	5.45p	3.0	Portage Junction
12.33p	5.13p	9.3	St. Norbert	10.27a	6.04p	9.3	St. Norbert
12.00p	4.58p	16.3	Cartier	10.41a	6.28p	16.3	Cartier
11.29a	4.39p	23.5	St. Agathe	11.00a	6.66p	23.5	St. Agathe
11.00a	4.30p	27.4	Union Point	11.10a	7.10p	27.4	Union Point
10.35a	4.13p	32.6	Silver Plains	11.22a	7.27p	32.6	Silver Plains
9.58a	4.00p	40.4	Morris	11.40a	7.54p	40.4	Morris
9.27a	3.46p	48.8	St. Jean	11.56a	8.17p	48.8	St. Jean
8.44a	3.23p	56.0	Letellier	12.18p	8.44p	56.0	Letellier
8.00a	3.03p	65.0	West Lynno	12.40p	9.20p	65.0	West Lynno
7.00a	2.50p	68.1	Pembina	12.60p	9.35p	68.1	Pembina
		161	Grand Forks	4.45p		161	Grand Forks
		25a	Winnipeg Junction	9.10p		25a	Winnipeg Junction
		1.30a	Brainerd	2.00a		1.30a	Brainerd
		8.00p	Duluth	7.00a		8.00p	Duluth
		8.35a	Minneapolis	6.35a		8.35a	Minneapolis
		8.00p	St. Paul	7.05a		8.00p	St. Paul

Eastward.		Westward.					
No. 4 Atlantic Express	No. 2 Atlantic Mail	No. 1 Pacific Mail	No. 3 Pacific Express				
4.16a	9.45a	267	Winnipeg Junction	9.10p	4.03p		
8.05p	2.05a	457	Bismarck	9.27a	11.30p		
7.48a	1.43p	786	Miles City	8.60p	9.57a		
10.00p	4.55a	1049	Livingstone	8.00a	8.15p		
4.45p	10.55p	1172	Helena	1.50p	1.30a		
11.18p	6.35a	1554	Spokane Falls	5.40a	5.05p		
6.25p	12.45a	1699	Pasco Junction	11.22a	10.50p		
			Tacoma	11.00p	10.50a		
			via Cascade div.)				
			Portland	6.30a	6.30p		
			(via Pacific div.)				

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE BRANCH.

Mixed, No. 6, 2nd Cl.	Miles from Winnipeg	STATIONS.	Mixed, No. 6, 2nd Cl.
10.25a	0	Winnipeg	6.05p
10.13a	3	Portage Junction	6.17p
9.40a	13	Headingley	6.04p
9.17a	21	White Plains	6.27p
8.52a	29	Gravel Pit	6.53p
8.31a	35	Kustaco	7.14p
8.08a	42	Oakville	7.37p
7.41a	70	Assiniboine Bridge	8.05p
7.25a	55	Portage la Prairie	8.20p

MORRIS-BRANDON BRANCH.

Mixed, No. 8, 2nd Cl.	Miles from Winnipeg	STATIONS.	Mixed, No. 7, 2nd Cl.
3.45p	40	Morris	12.20p
3.11p	50	Low's	12.53p
2.33p	61	Myrtle	1.29p
2.18p	66	Roland	1.45p
1.52p	73	Roebank	2.15p
1.30p	80	Kiamit	2.40p
12.31p	89	Deerwood	3.26p
12.15p	94	Alta	3.50p
11.47a	102	Somerses	4.17p
11.26a	108	Swan Lake	4.38p
11.05a	114	Indian Springs	4.59p
10.45a	119	Maricopolis	5.15p
10.32a	126	Greenway	5.37p
10.04a	132	Balder	5.67p
9.31a	144	Belmont	6.30p
9.05a	149	Hilton	6.55p
8.29a	160	Wawaneza	7.45p
7.49a	169	Kounthwaito	8.33p
7.24a	177	Martinville	9.05p
7.02a	185	Brandon	9.30p

Meals.
Nos. 117 and 118 run daily.
Nos. 119 and 120 will run daily except Sunday.
Nos. 5 and 6 run daily except Sunday.
No. 7 will run Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
No. 8 will run Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
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Manitoba and Northwestern Ry.

TIME CARD

Taking Effect Monday, June 16th, 1890.

PASS Tuesday Thursday and Saturday	Miles from Winnipeg.	STATIONS.	PASS Monday Wednesday and Fridays
LNWAVE	0	Winnipeg	ARRIVE
11 00			17 20
ar 12 50	60	Portage la Prairie	16 30 de
de 13 00			15 20 ar
14 45	91	Gladsdale	13 65
15 50	117	Necipawa	12 23
16 45	135	Minneocosa	11 45
ar 17 45	160	Rapid City	10 10 de
18 24	171	Snoal Lake	9 57
19 45	194	Hirtle	8 65 de
20 25	211	Binscarth	7 65
21 55			
ar 21 05	223	Russell B.	7 15 de
21 32	238	Langenburg	6 48
23 02			
22 30	262	Saltcoats	5 50 de
24 00			
ARRIVE			LEAVE

† Meals.
a Thursdays and Saturdays. b Wednesdays. c Thursdays and Saturdays. d Mondays and Fridays.
If any passengers for stations between Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie, train will stop to let off, and when flagged to take on passengers.
W. R. BAKER, Gen. Super't. A. McDONALD, Asst.-Gen. Pass'gr Agent.

N. W. C. & N. Co's Railway

TIME TABLE.

Read Down. GOING EAST.	STATIONS.	Read Up. GOING WEST.
No. 1 Daily.	Lethbridge	No. 2 Daily.
14 00 De	Woodstock	Ar 1 30
16 55	Purple Springs	23 35
18 50	Grassy Lake	22 40
17 45 Ar	Cherry Coulee	21 45
18 00 De	Winnifred	20 55
18 50	Seven Persons	19 55
20 55	Dunmore	18 45
22 10 Ar		De 7 30

† Meals.
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