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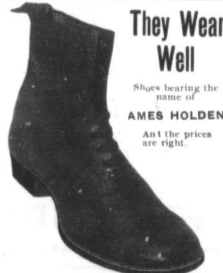
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ENFORCING THE FRUIT MARKS ACT.

The suggestion has been made by the chief inspector of the fruit division of the department of agriculture that in order to secure still better observance of the provisions of the Dominion Fruit Marks Act this year the retail merchants should take it upon themselves to supplement the efforts of the regular inspector by instituting proceedings through their associations against fraudulent packers of fruit whenever cases arise which have escaped the attention of the inspectors. The wisdom of such a course is quite apparent. The purpose of the Act is to provide all purchasers of fruit with the means to punish persons who are guilty of fraud in putting up or disposing of fruit and it should not be left entirely to the official inspectors to detect and proceed against culprits. The fact has more than once been pointed out in these columns that the inspectors are not able to give thorough inspection to every individual package of fruit and it therefore rests with the retail merchants and consumers to see that those which escape the attention of the inspectors do not go unpunished. If these at the other end of the business can be taught to know that anything crooked in the putting up of fruit will sooner or later be detected and punished they will soon discontinue such practices. Unfortunately for Mr. Mackinnon's suggestion there are not in this country so far as we know any associations of retail grocers of fruit dealers, but that is only a technical point, as the complaints can be made by individuals and will receive prompt attention whenever properly made. Perhaps it should be as well if the merchants in all larger places were organized so as to furnish references as to those who furnish their united attention.

One thing is certain and that is that this year the lines should be drawn a good deal tighter upon the trade in apples. The act was enforced last year in a loosest sort of a way, so that the most glaring cases of fraud were punished. Now the full effect of the act should begin to be felt and no person who can be shown to be guilty of deliberate or careless infringement of the law should be allowed to escape.

FIRE PROTECTION.

A news paragraph in another part of this issue to the effect that the town of Minnedosa is purchasing a new fire engine furnishes opportunity to make the statement that course commentators are beginning to pay more attention to the important matter of fire protection. In the past most of the smaller towns and villages have been without any protection whatever

against fire and when outbreaks have occurred were dependent upon chance effort for their suppression. In most cases the citizens have had to struggle hard to secure a foothold in business and were not anxious to enter into any municipal schemes involving increased taxation. Many of them have had no personal experience with fire and were ignorant of the extent to which an insignificant blaze may sometimes spread if not controlled. Now that things are getting upon a better basis in Manitoba this question of fire protection is receiving more attention. It is fortunate that the means for providing such protection is within reach. It is admirably have some of the manufacturing companies provided for this want that even the smallest places may for a comparatively small sum put themselves in possession of apparatus which meets every requirement in this connection, and in most cases this cost can be more than covered by the saving effected in

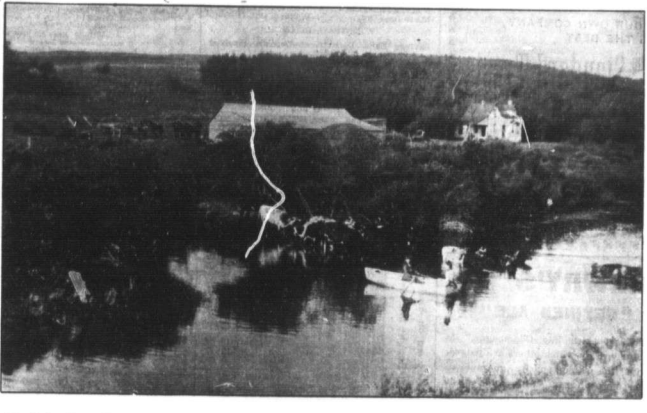
January, \$220,000, greater than in February, and \$50,000 less than in March. These figures do not represent any change in the policy of the road but simply the greater cheapness in operating the road in a month free from winter than during the winter months.

Canadian Pacific people, however, believe that actual transportation expenses are less per ton mile than last year, owing to the strenuous efforts that we are making over the next twelve months to bring the rolling stock up to the requirements of the business and the improvements that have been made in the road itself. It will be remembered that Canadian Pacific was incalculated during a great part of 1901 in the matter of making road improvements through a strike of its laborers. The work then left undone has since been accomplished, with the necessary result that certain extravagances of operation have been eliminated.

In the matter of equipment, something over 2,000 freight cars and 100 coaches have been added during the fiscal year. The road is now only partly dependent upon the equipment companies for its locomotive and rolling stock requirements as it has its

milk, as they are now in the eighth week without rain. This is most phenomenal, and all the farmyard and farmers we have conversed with from the fact they cannot get to mind such a lengthened spell of dry weather at this season of the year, as we are now experiencing. But in spite of it all the price of cheese has dropped about 5/8c per lb. at country points and in this market since our last report, which seems to bear out the proverbial saying among cheese buyers, that "drought never affects cheese, and all hooms initiated on the strength of a short make from dry weather have proved disastrous." This may be correct, but if the present remarkable meteorological freak of prolonged dryness continues, it must materially curtail the production of cheese, and eventually, enhance value.

The exports from New York continue to show an increase over those of last year, the past week's shipments from that port amounting to 10,829 boxes, against 6,651 boxes for the corresponding period last year, being an increase of 4,178 boxes; and from the first of May the shipments were 51,392 boxes, against 29,994



Manitoba Farm Homes—View on Farm of John S. Scott, Pipestone Creek, North of Elkhorn.

Insurance premiums. Possibly enough has already been said to set some more of the country business people thinking for themselves on this subject. Where there is not already protection and the conditions call for it the matter should be taken up and there is no doubt but that its discussion will in almost every case result in the decision to adopt the obviously sensible course of providing the necessary apparatus.

CANADIAN PACIFIC.

The April statement of earnings on Canadian Pacific is an interesting document both in the comparison between the operations that month as compared with the same month last year and in the comparison with the other three months of the present year.

The road keeps up its good earnings as compared with last year. It was just about the same in 1902 that attention was first attracted to the excellent results that the road was showing in comparison with the figures for 1901, so that the returns from traffic this year are the more gratifying. Both gross and net show an increase in April of 16 per cent, which is the exact average increase in gross for the ten months of the fiscal year. The average net increase for the ten months is 9 per cent.

The gross earnings show an increase of about \$700,000 over those of January, \$1,000,000 over those of February, and \$180,000 over those of March. Expenses are about \$70,000 greater than

own extensive shops at several points on the system. It was rather unfortunate that at the very time when equipment demands were heaviest that the company at Perth should be destroyed by fire, but the company has to a certain extent recovered from this misfortune by the extension of its Hochelais agent plant at Montreal. In consequence the road has been able to keep fairly well up with its motive power requirements, although it has been necessary to call upon the American Locomotive and Kitchen companies for some of its new engines.

The improvement of the rolling stock of course is in the same direction as the improvement of the road, namely, in the direction of decreased cost of operation. Against these friendly influences it is worthy of note that the company last year was compelled to advance the wages of several classes of railroad labor on the line and may in the near future make still further advances. The restlessness of labor that is so prominent a feature of American economics at the present time is not quite so markedly across the border, but the recently concluded comprehensive strike and the street railway strike in Montreal are sufficient evidence that at least a leaven of restlessness is present in the Canadian labor situation—Wall Street Journal.

THE CHEESE TRADE.

The continuance of the severe drought in Eastern Ontario and Quebec has begun to be felt in some of the dairy sections, factorymen reporting a falling off in the deliveries of

boxes for the same period last year, being an increase of about 100 per cent. The shipments from Montreal from the same period last year amount to date amount to 147,541 boxes, as compared with 143,915 boxes for the corresponding period last year. The increase is not nearly as great as was expected some time ago—Montreal Trade Bulletin.

FUR FLYERS.

Fine furs, the very finest furs, will undoubtedly hold highest rank in favor and from first to last elicit the interested attention of consumers of commanding means. This is the impression that prevails in the trade, and it is based on a careful study of conditions in the world over—favorable past winter abroad, prosperity at home, comparative scarcity of very choice skins, the steady advance in fashion of all high-class furs, and the quite universal desire of the rich to possess exclusive things of outstanding rivalry, and to possess them regardless of cost. Whatever is truly good will command the price, and being exalted above the possibility of easy duplication, will remain priceless, so to speak, insuring fair returns in profits and satisfaction to all concerned—New York Fur Trade Review.

The Yellow Grass correspondent of the Indian Head Advertiser says: Among the new lines of business opening here, we might mention: S. Taylor in hardware, Hath Brown in butcher's shop, Jas. Emmott, harness shop; S. C. Hard, blacksmith shop; Waddell Bros. are building a large implement warehouse.

From Winnipeg to Morden

Special Correspondence of The Commercial.

There are really two districts included between Winnipeg and Morden, the first reaching as far as Moran, about 42 miles south of Winnipeg, and the other taking in south-western Manitoba and ending at Morden. A large part of this intersection is known as the Menzies Reserve.

Leaving Winnipeg one finds the first prairie along the line rather disappointing. The land is low, heavy and covered generally with yellow, clay soil patches are broken up and cultivated, and these are not very fertile. As long as the more open land could be easily obtained, the farmer was inclined to spend his money in clearing and ditching. This condition is gradually changing, however, since most of the prairie land within reasonable distance of Winnipeg has been cleared and ditched. This condition is gradually changing, however, since most of the prairie land within reasonable distance of Winnipeg has been cleared and ditched. This condition is gradually changing, however, since most of the prairie land within reasonable distance of Winnipeg has been cleared and ditched.

As one goes on, the prairie becomes more and more fertile. The land is low, heavy and covered generally with yellow, clay soil patches are broken up and cultivated, and these are not very fertile. As long as the more open land could be easily obtained, the farmer was inclined to spend his money in clearing and ditching. This condition is gradually changing, however, since most of the prairie land within reasonable distance of Winnipeg has been cleared and ditched. This condition is gradually changing, however, since most of the prairie land within reasonable distance of Winnipeg has been cleared and ditched.

Both these branches pass through the country grain now with the young of the year and a harvest prospect full of promise. The recent rains have done much good and with anything like favorable weather to come an immense yield is assured. Throughout the country is generally open prairie and for most part, but having toward the south a slightly rolling character. Trees are scarce except where they have been planted by the settlers, but they apparently grow well, and most of the farms have quite a little grove of trees. The people are adding gradually to the appearance and comfort of the place.

Most of the people are of German origin, and even in the towns the German language is more in use than any other. The various industries and also very careful of the proceeds of their industry, consequently they are all well prospered in condition. They have fine farms and good horses. Indeed, scarcely anywhere else in the province can be found a farming community where the average is so high a standard. One of the things of which we are reminded in some places is the serious disadvantage. Finally it is necessary for a farmer to have several miles of stock, but his own use, but for his stock, there are increasing in number, and it is necessary to bore every where from one to two hundred feet, and then not always with success. Possibly this difficulty may be overcome, but at present it is a condition of the country. Moran, the first village of importance, suffers from the lack of a good water supply. The water here, however, the town is quite a local business centre, and a large amount of the travelling trade is excellent. The Commercial Hotel, owned by Jos. Jarrett, and the mill interests of the town

are deserving of notice. All branches of business are found here, and all are fully patronized. The town is at the junction of the lines, it is hardly up to expectations. There are, however, several good business places, the largest being the hardware and lumber trade of Stewart Bros. The branch to the south has two villages, Altona, a brick little place, where the elevators are most in evidence, and where a very lively trade with the farmers is carried on. Gretina, 13 miles south of Rosenfeld, is a very attractive town. Rows of trees along the streets add beauty to its appearance. It possesses some very striking residences, and some of the finest business houses. Of these we can only mention a few. In the lumber trade, Frieser & Son do a large business. Frieser is representative of the implement dealers. Bennett & Co. handle an up-to-date general store business, and John Ritz, of the Anglo-American hotel, keeps a good house.

Coming west on the main branch about nine miles from Rosenfeld and

sentative of them are the establishments of H. Melkie, T. E. McGrig and J. Tobias. The Canadian Elevator and Lumber Co. have secured some of the lumber interests of the town and when they assume full possession, will be a great addition to the business section. The hospital deserves a word. This order, though it is now supported by a government grant, in addition to that of the municipality and of the Masons. It is proposed to increase the accommodation very soon by adding a ward for infectious diseases. From the hills on the west Morden presents a striking picture, lying half hidden among avenues of fresh, green shrubs and trees, with here and there a church spire or gable reaching above its neighbors and suggesting the town screened from view by the foliage. This part of Manitoba has long had the name of being one of the best wheat districts in the province. Whether this is altogether exact or not we cannot say, but we can well believe that the people have excellent grounds on which to base their opinion.

MILLERS AND RECIPROCIITY.

The following is the resolution adopted by the Millers' National Federation at Detroit, Mich., demanding the

65 from Winnipeg, we reach Plum Coulee, a good-sized village, with a good supporting settlement. Here, as in nearly all small towns along the line, the long row of elevators is the most striking feature, especially when seen from a distance. The elevator business is by no means the only one, however, for we find here merchants carrying lines as strictly up-to-date as could be wished. The German language is much in evidence, although nearly all can use the English fluently. Winkler, another, eight miles west, is in many respects a duplicate of Plum Coulee. It is a good trading town, and as an instance of the business done, we would mention that of the Winkler Milling Co., owned and managed by J. Horn and the general business of B. Loewen. Implements, hardware and lumber are also handled and the demand for all branches is large.

Just on the east side of the first rise the Pembina mountains are visible. Morden, 81 miles by rail from Winnipeg. The population is now between 10,000 and 12,000. It is situated on the front, all the town except the main business portion being liberally supplied with fine Stone buildings are frequent and of handsome appearance. Business houses are plentiful. Banking facilities are found with the Union bank, the Bank of Hamilton and the private bank of Haley & Sutton.

The Morden Woollen mills, owned by Mr. Schneider, on the west side of the town, do a large business in the manufacture of blankets, wool, etc., going throughout the province. Accommodation for the travelling trade is excellent, the Arlington, Manitoba and Queen's being large, modern and well kept. General stores are numerous and repre-

speedy adoption by the national government of a broad, liberal and comprehensive policy of genuine reciprocity between the United States and Canada was especially favored and a memorial which will be forwarded to President Roosevelt was adopted:

"Whereas, extension of foreign markets affords the most feasible, if not the only practical solution of the grave difficulties which now confront the American flour manufacturing industry.

"Resolved, That necessity now compels the flour milling industry as a whole to demand the speedy adoption by the national government of a broad, liberal and comprehensive policy of genuine reciprocity, one of the results of which will be the equalization of the import duties upon American wheat and flour by all importing countries, and thereby securing to the American miller entrance to a large number of foreign markets from which he is now effectually excluded, and be it further

Resolved, That we strongly recommend that each individual member, irrespective of party affiliations, shall exert such constant pressure as to be upon his local congressional representative that the United States senators and four by all importing countries, and thereby securing to the American miller entrance to a large number of foreign markets from which he is now effectually excluded, and be it further

Resolved, That we especially and most strongly favor a full and complete measure of reciprocity between the United States and the Dominion of Canada, the nearest and next to the largest foreign market for American products and manufactures, and that in view of the early reassembling of the joint high commission the following memorial be forwarded to the president of the United States.

"The Millers' National Federation, assembled in mass convention at Detroit, Mich., represents a manufacturing industry embracing upward of 10,000 separate establishments having a combined annual production of over \$200,000,000, labor expenditure of over \$20,000,000.

"This industry is the one conspicuous exception to the general universal manufacturing prosperity. Existing conditions are largely due to the exclusion of admittance from any important foreign countries. This exclusion results from discriminatory legislation imposed in favor of wheat and against flour. The government of the United States can, by a liberal and comprehensive policy of reciprocity with these countries, secure the removal of this discrimination.

"The enormous and steadily increasing surplus of Canadian grain wheat thrown upon the markets of the United Kingdom depresses prices abroad, enables the foreign miller to undersell his American competitor and lowers the selling price of the entire wheat crop of the United States.

"The grinding of this wheat in America would place the regulation of prices at the disposal of the miller by increasing the farm value of wheat, increasing the farmer's net steady employment of mill labor and reasonably profitable return to American flour manufacturing.

"Present conditions are favorable to and make highly desirable the fullest measures of reciprocal trade arrangements with the Dominion of Canada, the nearest and next to the largest market for American products, both of farm and factory, and in view of the early assembling of the United States and Canada Joint High Commission, we most earnestly urge the exercise of your strongest influence toward the successful accomplishment of this object."

SIBERIAN FURS.

Mr. W. H. Holloway, consul-general of the United States, St. Petersburg, writes, under date of April 3:

"The leading market for Siberian furs is Irbit, 1,000 miles east of Moscow, and 150 miles east of the Ural mountains in Northern Novgorod, where annual fairs are held. The fair at Irbit is held in February each year, and that at Nizhny Novgorod in July and August. The former is much the largest, and the latter closes the supply of fells consisting of bear, giton, lynx, elk, reindeer, stag, musk deer, fox, sable, marten, mink, ermine, polecat, squirrel, Alpaide wolf, and blue, silver and red fox, and one or two kinds of wild cats, including the Kamtschatka. The Siberian black hare has become very scarce, as well as blue fox, which was once abundant.

"Although a Russian company enjoys the monopoly of catching Alaskan seals, they are all sold in London, and none are to be found in the Russian market. It is claimed by the leading experts that unless Russia, the United States, England, Canada and Japan agree to put a stop to pelagic sealing, seal fells will disappear from the market.

"Previous to September, 1902, the Russian squirrel fells were only used as linings for ladies' shubas; but the demand at which prices were high during that year was so great that the price increased, and the unaddressed skins (on which the quantity of furs in America) sell from 10 to 30 cents each. It requires from 400 to 200 to make a jacket, 60 to 100 for a muff, 100 for a boa, and 5 to 10 for a pair. Pale squirrel fells are sold at \$2.00 a pound and dark at \$3.00 per pound. White foxes are sold from \$8 to \$10 each, and sable skins sell from \$15 to \$200 each, and 30 to 50 to 100 to make a jacket, 30 to 50 to make a muff, 12 for a boa, and 2 to 6 for a pair.

"Sable and ermine remain the favorite fur which can afford to purchase the best. Local merchants at Irbitka purchase considerable quantities of furs from hunters and trappers, as do all merchants throughout Siberia, which, if not shipped to Moscow, go to St. Petersburg, find their way to the annual fair at Irbit in February, when the leading fur houses of the world are represented by buyers."

The labor troubles in New York city are over for the time being, so far as the principal strike is concerned, namely, that of the meat and fish tradesmen. The men have returned to work upon terms which have not yet been stated. Over 100,000 men were involved.

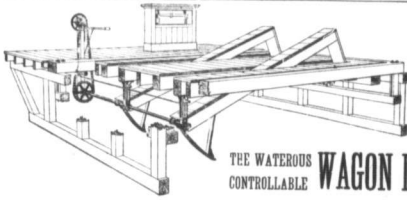
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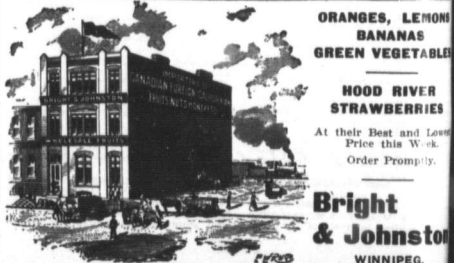
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Dry Goods Trade Notes.

Eastern jobbing houses say that they are getting a large amount of business from the west for fall shipments.

Moccasins which can be worn by the summer girl in the garden, on the tennis court, or even lawn parties, are a new fad. They are made of a coarse sort of chamolai skin.

Manufacturers of cotton goods continue to forward notices of either withdrawal or advances in prices. A general advance is indicated for the first of this there is no disposition on the part of jobbers to cut prices.

The small cotton mill strikes have been beaten and are returning to work by one. They were unfortunate in their choice of a time for presenting their demands and the opinion prevails that they had no chance of winning.

The Dominion Cotton Mills gave notice late last week of an advance of 10 to 15c per yard in grey cottons and 10 to 15c per yard in various numbers of duck. All cotton goods have also advanced. Cotton flannels are up 10c per yard.

A letter received from Roubaix, France, the centre of the fine wool advances of 15 to 30c per cent in all the finer fine woolen stuffs such as those made of cashmere yarns, etc., and the firm writing states that they are in receipt of orders for current prices as at present they are unable to make contracts with dyers and finishers. One of the largest dry goods merchants in New York city in commenting on the situation has said: "The market is a complete disaster. Last year retailers were ordering goods in quantity six months ahead, but now they are showing the greatest conservatism and no one seems to have the confidence in the future that was being displayed one year ago. The high prices which are ruling for raw cotton may have something to do with this."

The Toronto Globe says: "There is a good demand now for silk-embroidered chemises, plain and knicker, volles, lineas, batistes, etc., for summer wear. Snowflakes and tweed knicker-wores are still very much in evidence, and there is a very good inquiry for fancy lines, which are finding ready sale. In fact, all classes of fine goods are selling fairly well in all seasons. It is thought they will be a strong feature this year, especially the snowflakes, master albino line and velvets. A variety of styles, too numerous to describe here. Blacks will be a strong feature for fall. The prevailing shade will be, according to the present feeling, as represented by the current demand, light tan, dark and light browns in second place and red and greens coming in order."

A New York letter says: Materials in favor for immediate delivery include mohairs, vellings, twine cloth, Scotch tweeds and a general assortment of novelty cotton dress goods. The single tone effects seems to be the leading feature. Leading factors in the jobbing and retailing markets are of the opinion that the retail trade will be in their position to the end of the season. Sheer goods including colmanes, etamines, canvas and vellings of both domestic and foreign makes, have been purchased with astonishing freedom for fall wear. The impression seems to prevail that the time is here when women want light-weight goods for fall wear. The manish effects are in less demand than formerly, and heavy fabrics that lack the draping qualities which are the leading dress styles of the present day are fast becoming unfashionable. The leading styles of the small duplicate ordering that is being received. The demand extends to practically all grades. The majority find that the cheaper grades are not moving as well as the best quality fabrics. Duplicates are also being received in fair quantities on Scotch tweeds. Besides this, the character of fabric is growing. It is evident that the style of costume makes the Scotch fabrics better cloth for suiting purposes. The tendency toward suiting effects is more marked than ever.

Grocery Trade Notes.

Cable advices on pepper continue strong.

It is estimated that Ebenhad has thus far taken 20,000 tons of the present crop.

On Monday the Arbutuques, of New York, put up their price for sugar 5c per 100 pounds.

The stock of currants left in Greece is estimated at 11,000 tons, and stock of the kind usually wanted in America is scarce.

Business in refined sugar at New York and other important eastern markets has been quiet. Demand is mostly to fill immediate requirements.

Teas are still in a firm position in all primary markets. New crop in India is 10 to 15c higher than the old crop in Calcutta, where the market has just opened.

Letter advices from Smyrna report that hot winds have been raging in the fig section and that some damage has been done, but that up to that time it was impossible to tell to what extent the crop had been injured.

The annual freshet on the Fraser river started the spring salmon run, but the run has not been very heavy. The run in codfish is the largest in years, is about over. Fraser canneries are preparing for packing.

Total exports of prunes to France last year were 61,478,000 lbs., an increase of 400 per cent, over the total of the previous year, when 18,000,000 lbs. were exported. Demand will be large this year, but with the California crop 50 per cent smaller last year it will scarcely be possible to spare over 60,000,000 lbs. to export.

A private letter referring to the present agitation regarding the proposed Greek currency monopoly says in effect that it is generally understood that the syndicate now endeavoring to secure the run will not, in the event of the matter passing the Greek Chamber of Deputies, operate until the crop season of 1904. Cable advices from Greece report a strong market.

A recent cable from Greece reported the market for currants strong at an advance in prices, quoting 12s 6d per cwt. for small quantities for shipment. This advance is ascribed to the active buying interest from France and the agitation regarding the proposed monopoly measure now under discussion in the Greek chamber of deputies. It is reported that France has been a liberal buyer of currants, but to what extent the purchases have been made for shipment.

The market for molasses has been quiet, but the undertone is strong and prices have advanced. In London a jobbing way wholesale grocers have been selling at 37 to 38c per gallon, while importers state the very inside figure they would accept to-day for a round lot is 38 1/2c. Mail advices from Barbados, under date of May 23rd, say: "Our reaping season has been very much retarded by very light winds. We hear of a satisfactory return and the expectation for a short crop will unfortunately be realized. During the fortnight large sales of molasses have been made by planters at 18c and many of them have sold out their entire crop at that price. The shipments of molasses up to the above date were 1,812 puncheons and 1,000 contrals, 650 puncheons and Newfoundland molasses, while the total shipments for the same period in 1902 were 29,104 puncheons.—Montreal Gazette.

Hardware Trade Notes.

Lawn hose has advanced 25 per cent. at factories.

It is predicted that rope and sash cord will advance in price.

In all eastern wholesale centres there is a scarcity of screws, nuts and bolts.

Large sizes of iron have been reduced 1¢ to 2¢ per 100 pounds in Toronto last week and tarred felt 10c per cwt., owing to an advance in the price of tea.

Dairy Trade Notes.

A report from Dauphin, Man., says: The local butter market has weakened lately, owing to unfavorable conditions for pasture. Prices are now quoted at from 12 to 15 cents a pound.

Live Stock Trade Notes.

The exports of cattle from the port of Montreal for the month of May, 1902, totals 1,000 head. The history of the trade, as the shipments have been 22,778 head, which shows an increase over the same month for 1902,

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of 12,888 head and a feature worthy of note is that more cattle (mostly horses) to Liverpool and Bristol this May than the same month a year ago, and out of the 22,778 head that have gone forward there were 8,900 head of American cattle. The shipments of sheep for the month of May, 1902, were 25,150 head, showing an increase of 1,623 over May, 1902, and the shipments of horses were 188 head, showing a decrease of 66, with May, 1902.—Montreal Gazette.

IMPLEMENT TRADE.

The Twine Market.

The beginning of harvest in Texas and the flooding of Kansas City implement warehouses are the chief features of the week, says Farm Implement News. Harvest is well under way in the Lone Star State and from accounts there is plenty of twine. Some dealers have experienced difficulty in obtaining supplies, but as a whole the territory is believed to contain more than its harvest will require. Shipments by large factors were cut down from early seasons and orders, but it is said by harvester men that there will be some surplus to ship north.

As far as prices are concerned there is no change in the situation. The few concerns having twine to offer are asking such prices as they believe the conditions justify, and the price of one house is no criterion for the others. They range from 10 1/2 to 12 1/2 cents for a standard. The leading factors in the trade cling to the belief that the total supply will be ample, but acknowledge the probability of famines in spots, due to unequal distribution. This they are making unusual efforts to prevent.

Implement Trade Notes.

The Port Huron Engine & Thresher Co., the Port Huron Mfg. Co., the Port Huron Malleable Co. and the Vire & Root Machinery Co., all of Port Huron, Mich., the Port Huron Co., Peoria, Ill., and the Port Huron Machinery Co., Des Moines, Iowa, have amalgamated with a capital of \$2,000,000. The officers are: President, C. F. Harrington;

Vice-president and general manager, F. A. Peavey; secretary, D. C. Kinch; treasurer, H. T. Hoyt. Headquarters will be at Port Huron, Mich.

Lumber Trade Notes.

The cedar shingle business in the Northwestern States is unsettled. As compared with a year ago shingles are about 30c lower and weak at that. Business is bad and there is no disposition to buy ahead.

LEATHERS.

Leathers.—The fever for patent or more properly speaking, shiny leather, seems to have passed its zenith. Consumers are beginning to realize that they cannot have the appearance and convenience of permanent polish without the discomfort and disadvantage of this class of stock. People seem to get the impression that this kind of stock ought to stand any kind of wear, and return to those who have been told the amount of nuisance that attends their sale. It is hard to get that in the next two seasons there will be a general return to box calf and similar lines. Tanners of ordinary stock are getting over the alarm they felt at this great run on patent calf and kid. To a great extent, the production of the shorer has affected good skin manufacturers.—Shoe and Leather Journal.

During the month of May the chartered banks of Winnipeg cleared \$20,589,974 as against \$15,915,219 last year and \$8,681,057 two years ago.

The legislative assembly of British Columbia prorogued on Tuesday afternoon the session which has consisted as a result of the recent adjournments in relation to the proceedings of the cabinet.

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Murphy Bros. of Carberry, are opening a general store at Binacarth.

Hunter & Co., piano mill, Selkirk, are holding their business to D. E. Broome, of Winnipeg.

Shelley & Bullman have bought the hotel at Arden and will continue to themselves after October 1.

J. E. Paul, who is in the general store business at Grisevold, has bought a large site at Clifton Plains and will establish a new store there.

W. C. Morison, general merchant, at West View, will be selling the West. Morison, into partnership, when the style will be changed to Morison & Sons.

Last week's express rate at Winnipeg was the exact number of parcels sent and was 1.000. The prices realized were satisfactory, being about double those of last year.

The Catholic of St. Mary's parish, Winnipeg, contemplate the erection of a new school building for the parish and providing Catholic education for their children.

The Winnipeg board of works estimates its requirements for public improvement this year at \$40,000, and two years at \$82,000.

The Winnipeg fire, water and light committee has decided to call for tenders for supplying cheap electric light to the city, to be compared to name their own terms.

J. M. A. Cameron is retiring from the office of Cameron, Gordon & Cameron's agents, Winnipeg. He is succeeded by F. G. Price, a recent arrival from the old country.

Patents have been issued independently F. M. Hullah, of Toronto; Wm. Flayler, H. Johnson, Alan Findlay and W. D. Lathwell, of Winnipeg, as the Canadian Realty Co. with a total capital stock of \$100,000.

Notice is given that E. F. Patterson has been ordered to pay damages to the firm of Messrs. Frank Koehn, E. F. Conner, Dr. D. G. Ross, J. E. Malhot and J. H. Brown, of Selkirk, and Investment Co., Ltd., with a capital stock of \$40,000.

Notice is given that this week W. W. Wagoner, who is being held on a charge of obtaining goods on false pretences for consignment to defraud his creditors while keeping a general store at Eden, Manitoba, had his bail remanded for sentence.

The Red Deer Lumber Company, of Red Deer, Alberta, has been established just outside the boundary of Manitoba on the extreme northwest—its completion will result in the creation of that name, which, when completed, will be one of the best in Western Canada.

The most highly improved machinery is being bought, and everything about the mill will be first-class. The Watersons Engine Works Company has the order for the machinery.

A correspondent at Lyleton, a new town at the terminus of an extension of the C. P. R. in Southern Manitoba, following business places are already established: Two general stores, two hardware stores, two implements businesses, two lumber yards, coal and wood yard, two saloons, two hotels, a restaurant, a blacksmith shop, barber, paint shop, insurance and real estate office. There is an opening here for a doctor.

ASSINIBOIA.

Regina wants to be incorporated as a city. John Quinn has opened a tailor shop at Regina.

Morgan & Nell are opening a grocery and butcher shop at Dundurn.

R. L. Langford has sold his general store at Regina to Argus W. Wood.

A. J. Larkin is opening a jewelry store at Regina as a branch of his hardware business.

The retail merchants of Regina have done their best to improve their business, but the following business places are already established: Two general stores, two hardware stores, two implements businesses, two lumber yards, coal and wood yard, two saloons, two hotels, a restaurant, a blacksmith shop, barber, paint shop, insurance and real estate office.

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L. London, R. J. Little and W. Willison have erected new residences, and a new blacksmith shop stands to the credit of S. B. Cameron.

The Dominion Government Territories has again introduced the bill respecting foreign companies which were presented to the Dominion Parliament.

This bill provides that each Northwest shall pay a license to the company doing business in that division of the Dominion. This new act has been made to conform to the new regulations of the Dominion authorities which have been introduced since the one disallowed in 1901. It has already been read a second time.

ALBERTA.

During the month of May ninety cars of settlers' effects, valued at \$80,000, passed the customs at Calgary.

Dawson & Shields, of Hamilton, P. E. Edmonton, have purchased the general store business of H. W. M. Kenney at St. Albert.

Edmonton customs returns for May amount an increase of \$7,152 in the amount of duty collected.

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The town of Red Deer has concluded an agreement with the Western Telephone Company whereby they will install a telephone system of the most efficient and up-to-date character.

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SASKATCHEWAN.

Louis Robock has opened a tinshop at Rosthern.

Jac. Lambert has opened a harness shop at Rosthern.

Head River Bros. have opened a butcher shop at Melfort.

H. D. Brown has sold his general store business at Saskatoon to Lester Brown & Co., who will continue the business.

R. B. Irvine, general merchant, Nanton, Alberta, has admitted G. H. Clark regular partner in the firm, which has been enlarged and continued under the firm name of Irvine & Clark.

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO.

P. Manion, proprietor of the St. Louis hotel at Port William, has purchased the Commodore hotel, Port Arthur, from Wylie Bro.

THE BICYCLE INDUSTRY.

There are many signs that interest in the bicycle has not languished during the past three years, and is being once more renewed. In England, where the bicycle was first introduced, it has returned to popular favor to a most marked extent, and is being used to an extent far beyond what was anticipated for tourist purposes.

Interest in cycle affairs in Australia is at fever heat, and advice from that country state that race meets are attended by from ten to twenty thousand people, and with purses of five hundred, and £1,000 sterling. With such a big people, there is sure to be a big market for the bicycle.

The return of 'old Pope to the States the bicycle' of the American Bicycle Company marks the confidence of the American tourist. Under the name of the Pope Manufacturing Co., organized under the laws of New Jersey, that gentleman has bought out the plants, patents, and other assets of the American Bicycle Company, under an order of court, directing the receiver to sell the business of the American Bicycle Trust, that began operations twenty years ago, and thereafter controlled by the trustees of the company, the ownership of more than 70 per cent. of the stock is now in the hands of the trust. Being asked why the trust came to such a sudden collapse, the Colonel

said one thing, it began to suit away money for its stockholders by cutting down its advertising. As its business shrank in direct proportion to the shrinkage of its advertising until it defaulted the payments on its stock charges, and went into the hands of a receiver. The trust link has done wonders before—it can do wonders again. It is a great mistake to say, or to think that, it will not do great revival in the business. These are the views of the trustees of the trust. There are some who think that the trust will be revived. That may or may not be true. But it is certain that for mechanics and suburban dwellers the bicycle has come to stay.

After everything is said pro and con it must be admitted that the bicycle is the most useful, as well as the most economical method of transportation for large numbers of the people. There is no other article which at once recommends itself to business and to pleasure so readily as the bicycle. There have been marked improvements during the past few years in the construction of the bicycle. In the construction, in the invention of the coarser wheels, in the frame, and in other devices, adding to its beauty and comfort to whetting. It will be agreeable for the motorist, and the wheels return to popular favor—Monetary Times.

THE RICHEST TRADE UNION IN THE WORLD.

The richest trade union in the world, a unique and powerful organization, is located in New York city. On account of its unparalleled success in maintaining the principles of unionism and the economic antagonism is not usually classed among the other labor bodies, but at one who applies it to the ordinary rules of classification will see that it properly belongs to the trade union species.

Prospects as a labor millennium, this prosperous trade union actually owns a building that is a building that is owned, built and all over \$800,000 worth of real estate. The headquarters is located on Broad street, and has become one of the sights of the metropolis.

It is built with a grand and carved, with tall columns supporting the front portico. The hall, hall, which is the union's headquarters, meetings, is 144 feet long and 100 feet wide. No conference that money can buy has been forgotten, as the members believe that labor has as much right to the economic antagonism as the capitalists of the present day.

This trade union hall is lighted and heated by electricity. The apparatus of the latest kind supplies it with 32,000,000 cubic feet of air every hour. To enable the members to keep in close touch with their employers, the hall is equipped with 247 miles of electric wiring, 6 miles of pneumatic tubing and also with 1,200 telephones—one for every member. In addition to these there are two huge annunciators in the main hall, so that if an employer was to neglect his employees he may be found without the loss of any valuable time.

It has been charged that the union has initiated fees of trade union upon its members. Some have called down upon the union for this, and some have because they raised the fee to the sum of \$200. But this extraordinary union has a membership of 1,200, but has succeeded in raising a total sum of \$150,000 in 1885 to \$80,000, which was the amount paid by the last successful organization in the United States. This labor organization are therefore worth the incredible sum of \$80,000,000.

As may be imagined, this union is a firm believer in short hours and high wages. It discloses many things that eight hours a day were too long and a skilled worker could do his best work; and consequently to put up a persistent agitation until it received its working hours of five days—from ten o'clock until three. It has always strenuously insisted that its members be paid a certain amount of a weekly or daily wage, and in this regulation, perhaps, is the secret of its prosperity. It has paid its members frequently an amount from \$5,000 to \$20,000 a day, being the only one to pay \$6,000 an hour for their services. For the first time in the world, the labor bodies in the strictness of its discipline. Even though it charges a fortune for admittance, or expels any member who is discovered

working for less than the union rate of pay. Any one who declines a full rate of pay is immediately expelled. The strong feeling of the solidarity felt by the members of the union is shown by the fact that when the work for one another they charge only one-fourth, and in some cases only one-third, of their usual rate.

Labor unions have never been incorporated. It has always maintained that the union should be kept in the hands of the members, and that by being unincorporated it has a better control over its members, and being able to expel any culprit without being dragged into the courts.

What? You say this is merely a Walking Dragoon's dream? Not at all. The name of this most prosperous of all trade unions is the New York Stock Exchange—Herbert N. Casson, in The Independent.

A NEW FIRE ENGINE.

The Watersons Engine Company has sold one of its gasoline fire engines to the town of Minnedosa, to be delivered in about ten days or two weeks. On many occasions the general towns have signified their intention of purchasing a fire engine, but it is the results, and it is probable that these two will equip themselves with gasoline engines, as to better combat fire when they visit the town.

BRITISH IMMIGRATION.

Ottawa, June 11.—Mr. James A. Smart, deputy minister of the interior, completed a very exhaustive act on the immigration work of the past year before the agriculture and colonization committee of the House of Commons. His evidence on the subject all through the committee was interesting and carrying on most effective work in an economical manner, and is expected when the expenditures is spread over two great continents.

A description of the new London offices were given by Mr. Smart. These are situated on Trafalgar square, in the heart of the metropolis, and admirably adapted for the purposes of the Canadian products as well as conducting office work. There is also reading and writing room, and a waiting room for visitors. The fitting of the buildings are entirely Canadian and as Mr. Smart says, every one knows where we are now.

Mr. Smart's great credit for one of the greatest factors in the success of the country has been the year. The sending over of some five successful Northwest farmers this spring to tell of their own experiences has also been found very successful. The emigration from the British Isles by localities was given by Mr. Smart. In England, London and Middlesex, Essex, Kent and Surrey sent 37 1/2 per cent of the whole; Yorkshire and Lancashire together sent about 30 per cent of the whole; the West sends the most. The percentages by provinces are, Ulster 61 1/2, Leinster 20 1/2, Connaught and Munster 10 1/2, and its vicinity is the chief source of immigration from Scotland, and from the country, and the only sending 2 1/2 per cent; Edinburgh, Fifeshire, Perth and Dundee, together with Ayrshire 6 per cent and Argyll 1 per cent.

Mr. Smart said that if there was any inducement to immigrants in the way of assisted passage many more would leave the old country, and he agreed with the policy that this was desirable. As it is we can get the best class of people.

MINING NOTES.

Coke shortage is reducing the output of the Boundary smelters. Only five furnaces are running in the three smelters. The output of one of the treated last week was 11,440 tons.

The Copper King Mine, near Kamloops, has been ordered to contract for ore smelting with the Canadian Pacific. The mine is to be developed at once. The mines will be developed at once. The mines will be developed at once.

The Robinsons of Blaine, Montana, has bought the Boscowitz mine, and the Britannia mines on Howe Sound. The mine will be developed at once. The mines will be developed at once.

and granulated oatmeal is worth \$4.00 per sack of 68 pounds.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes have been priced at \$1.00 per bushel, but are expected to be considerably higher, but are expected to be considerably higher, but are expected to be considerably higher...

Butter—Creamery—The make of butter is becoming larger and the price is becoming more liberal. The price has advanced...

Butter—Dairy—Receipts have been very liberal, and when the fresh milk has been received...

Cheese—New Ontario cheese of choice quality is steady at 13 1/2 to 14c per pound in a jobbing way.

Meats—Demand is good, and the quotations are as follows: Beef, city dressed, 6 to 7c per pound...

Wool—The price for Manitoba wool is 6 1/2c per pound delivered.

Market—The market has declined and is now 1/4c lower, at 4 1/2c per bushel...

Stocks—This week has been fairly liberal, and a good deal of money has been paid out by some dealers...

Grain—The market has declined and is now 1/4c lower, at 4 1/2c per bushel...

Cattle—Beef cattle are becoming scarce, and it seems that the available stock is being rapidly absorbed...

Hogs—Hogs have been coming in plenty, and the market shows signs of weakening.

Stags are worth \$1.00 per head. MILK—Cows—There is a good demand for fresh milkers at from \$4.50 to \$5.00 per cow...

TRADE REVIEW. New York, July 12.—Bradstreet's weekly review of trade will say to-morrow: "The feeling in the food districts is better, although the breaking of the drought in the West has put an end to forest fires, help-out the crop material and led to the feeling that crop damage has been exaggerated."

Spokane, July 12.—Bradstreet's show that 25,000 industrial workers were on strike in the West...

London, July 12.—A. J. C. says that the late strike in the coal carrying companies to refuse to comply with certain demands for inflation...

The British Market. London, July 12.—A. J. C. says that for money 91-92; do for account 91-92; Bank of England 125 1/2; gold 105 1/2; silver 105 1/2...

Chicago Live Stock. Chicago, July 12.—Receipts 13,500 steady; good to prime steers, \$5.00 per cwt...

The Escalator in Use. Every great city is now coping with the problem of improving its rapid transit facilities...

Chicago Grain Market. The Van Dusen-Harrington Co.'s grain list received by private wire from Chicago, July 12.—Wheat—Market dull and restricted...

NEW YORK STOCKS. New York, July 12.—There was a continuation of the active buying of stocks which developed to a moderate extent...

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press of Europe. The exposition authorities after having satisfied themselves that the plan was sound...

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STATISTICAL WHEAT REPORT.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Montreal	247,000
Quebec	8,500
Grand Harbor, Ont.	420,000
Windsor	244,000
Port Arthur and Kenora	244,000
Winnipeg	2,507,000
Manitoba elevators	4,180,000
Total, May 30	8,837,000
Total previous week	8,820,000
Total a year ago	8,790,000

HEADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Headstreet's, May 30, were 20,046,000 bushels, against 20,039,000 bushels the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 27,470,000 bushels, according to Headstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on May 30 were 2,683,900 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ending June 4 was 27,711,000 bushels, being a decrease of 118,500 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 26,991,000 bushels; two years ago 26,000,000 bushels; three years ago 24,487,000 bushels; four years ago 27,703,000 bushels; five years ago 28,200,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Headstreet's, totaled 2,483,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, totaled 1,428,000 bushels, as reported by Headstreet's.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe and Asia for Europe May 1 in each year for a series of years, were as follows—Headstreet's report:

1903	100,000,000
1904	120,000,000
1905	140,000,000
1906	140,000,000
1907	170,000,000
1908	200,000,000
1909	197,000,000

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States ports from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1902, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

This Crop. Last Crop.	
Minnesota	81,772,680 78,187,498
North Dakota	1,548,084 1,788,293
South Dakota	23,202,985 49,823,259
Illinois	31,140,295 37,814,991
Total	137,677,044 166,813,449

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States ports from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1902, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

This Crop. Last Crop.	
Chicago	11,746,221 8,677,908
St. Louis	31,966,229 38,159,574
St. Paul	2,600,624 4,802,184
Kansas City	38,822,370 38,093,098
Total	75,135,444 80,432,764

WESTERN GRAIN STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat at Fort William and Port Arthur on Saturday, June 4, were as follows:

Fort William.	
1 Hard	623,780
1 Northern	229,420
2 Northern	391,680
1 Northern	508,420
Other grades	167,080
Total	1,820,380
Previously reported	1,648,320
Balance in store	7,900,000

Fort Arthur.	
1 Hard	209,884
2 Northern	74,000
1 Northern	14,000
Other grades	112,000
Total	419,884
Previously reported	397,500
Balance in store	35,240
Total	5,502,000

These figures show a total quantity of wheat stored at the two points of 2,362,274 bushels, or an 8 per cent increase for 1902, 491 bushels. Receipts of wheat for the week at these points were 1,491,565 bushels, and shipments 1,153,900 bushels.

Stocks of wheat in store at Fort William, for the week ending June 4, were 1,820,380 bushels, being approximately 7,900,000 bushels in excess of the total quantity for the week ago; 2,000,000 bushels a year ago; 2,200,000 bushels two years ago; 1,600,000 bushels three years ago; and 2,500,000 bushels four years ago.

The stocks of wheat at Port Arthur on Saturday, June 4, were 419,884 bushels, being 35,240 bushels in excess of the total quantity for the week ending June 4 was as follows:

Previously reported	16,287
Balance in store	35,240
Total	419,884

WINNEPEG GRAIN INSPECTION.

During the week ending June 7 there were inspected at Winnipeg 1,467 cars of grain, comprising the following:

Wheat	Cars
1 Hard	518
1 Northern	10
2 Northern	187
3 Northern	27
No. 4	20
Rejected 1	12
Rejected 2	12
Total	1,383

Other	Cars
No. 1	15
No. 2	34
No. 3	11

Barley	Cars
No. 1	11
No. 2	1
Feed	1
Rejected	1
Total	14

Flax	Cars
No. 1	4
No. 2	2
Total	6

The total number of cars of grain inspected as above was 1,486, of which 1,249 were on the C. P. R. and 237 on the C. N. R. tracks. During the same week a year ago there were inspected 607 cars of wheat.

Grain and Milling Notes.

It is estimated that the present output of flour from Canadian mills is equal to \$70,000,000 per annum.

Premier Roblin in a speech at Neepawa this week announced that on the first of July another 2c reduction in the wheat rate on the Canadian Northern Railroad for Port Arthur will go into effect.

The Dominion government has by order-in-council re-established the flour standards board which was abolished last year. The members are as follows: H. W. Raphael, Montreal, chairman; A. E. Gagnon, Montreal; Wm. Brodie, Quebec; J. L. Spink, Toronto; W. G. Bailey, Hamilton; Robert Noble, of the Dominion Millers' Association; and Mr. Hadriell, secretary of the Montreal board of trade, acting as secretary. The board meets at Montreal on Monday.

Engagements of wheat are reported from Fort William to Bay ports at 1 1/2 to 1 3/4c, and from Bay ports to Montreal at 4 1/2c, making the through rates to Montreal 6c to 6 1/2c. From Fort William to Kingston charters of wheat have been made at 4c to 4 1/2c, and from that port to Montreal the rate is 15 1/2c. Freight rates have been taken from Chicago to Kingston of over 35c for 50,000 bushels of wheat, and corn at 25c for wheat and 2 1/2c for corn. The river rate from Kingston to Montreal being 15c, or to be 5 1/2c through to Montreal. The rates from Chicago to Buffalo are 1 1/2c on wheat and 1 1/2c on corn. From Buffalo to New York, the Erie canal rates are 4 1/2c on wheat, 2 1/2c on corn, and 2 1/2c on oats. About 10,000 bushels of oats were taken for Buffalo at 1 1/2c from Chicago—Montreal Trade Bulletin.

Movements of Business Men.

A. Revillon, a member of the firm of Revillon Freres, Paris, France, was in Winnipeg this week on the way to look over his branch house at Edmonton. F. Kupperchmitt, the firm's representative in the west for the past three years, leaves towards the end of this month to take charge of the business at headquarters in Quebec.

Robert Maclean, general merchant, McCrossin has sold his business to Richard Ross.

Tenders will be received up to 5 o'clock, June 15th, for the erection of a solid brick hospital building at Neepawa, Man.

"Well, how do you like married life?" inquired the friend.

"Not at all," replied the man who had married money and was suffering for it. "I'm a case of matrimonial dyspepsia."

"Matrimonial dyspepsia?"

"Yes. She never agrees with me; she's too rich."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

"Dear," said the physician's wife, "when can you be here?"

"Well," replied the medical man, "I hope to cash a draft shortly, and then—"

"Cash a draft? What draft?"

"The one I saw Mrs. Jenkins sitting in this morning."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Upton Park—Is your wife's new girl a blunder?

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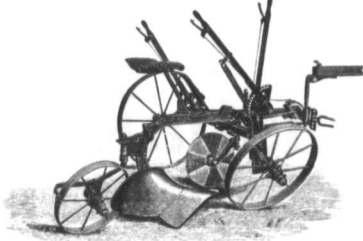
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Ethel—And why?
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"I can't convict you on the evidence," said the backwoods Justice, "but I'm agoin' to fine you \$10 for contempt, for lookin' like I couldn't!"
—Atlanta Constitution.

C. P. R. Crop Bulletin

The C. P. R. crop report for the central division was issued yesterday morning, and can be summed up in the following manner: "All lines, weather favorable, damage all; prospects very promising." Without a single exception in the 115 stations heard from, this is the answer to the inquirer sent out from the assistant

general superintendent's office. At one point on the main line it is reported that grass hoppers are numerous, but no damage has been done by them.

The report issued by the company is given below, as it tells the story of the promising prospects better than could be done in summary:

Station	Weather.	Damage.	Prospects
Main Line—			
Rosser	Favorable	No damage.	Very promising
High Bluff	"	"	"
Portage la Prairie	"	"	"
Rago	"	"	"
MacGregor Prairie	"	"	"
Austin	"	"	"
Douglas	"	"	"
Chadler	"	"	"
Brandon	"	"	"
Kemmy	"	"	"
Alexander	"	"	"
Griswold	"	"	"
Oak Lake	"	"	"
Virden	"	"	"
Hargrave	"	"	"
Elkhorn	"	"	"
Kirklin	"	"	"
Fleming	"	"	"
Moomin	"	"	"
Red Jacket	"	"	"
Wapella	"	"	"
Broadview	"	"	"
Greenfield	"	"	"
Summerberry	"	"	"
Sinclair	"	"	"
Indian Head	"	"	"
Regina	"	"	"
Concord	"	"	"
Prince Albert Branch—			
Condo	Favorable	No damage.	Very promising
Lindsay	"	"	"
Bonington	"	"	"
Hanley	"	"	"
Endara	"	"	"
Oiler	"	"	"
Hague	"	"	"
Rosher	"	"	"
Duck Lake	"	"	"
McDowell	"	"	"
Prince Albert	"	"	"
Minotota and Yorkton Sections—			
Macdonald	Favorable	No damage.	Very promising
Westbourne	"	"	"
Keyes	"	"	"
Ardan	"	"	"
Minotota	"	"	"
Newdale	"	"	"
Strathmore	"	"	"
Shoal Lake	"	"	"
Birtle	"	"	"
Binscarth	"	"	"
Saltcoats	"	"	"
Estevan Section—			
Berford	Favorable	No damage.	Very promising
Hartney	"	"	"
Lauder	"	"	"
Medda	"	"	"
Elva	"	"	"
Pieron	"	"	"
Gainsboro	"	"	"
Carleton	"	"	"
Carroll	"	"	"
Glen Ewan	"	"	"
Orton	"	"	"
Alameda	"	"	"
Estevan	"	"	"
Souris Section—			
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Elm Creek	"	"	"
St. Claude	"	"	"
Boothby	"	"	"
Treshone	"	"	"
Holland	"	"	"
Cypress River	"	"	"
Glenboro	"	"	"
Stockton	"	"	"
Melvyn	"	"	"
Nesbit	"	"	"
Carroll	"	"	"
Napinka Section—			
Pilot Mound	Favorable	No damage.	Very promising
Crystal City	"	"	"
Clearwater	"	"	"
Mather	"	"	"
Cartwright	"	"	"
Holmfied	"	"	"
Killarney	"	"	"
Nings	"	"	"
Bossevain	"	"	"
Whitewater	"	"	"
Dolomite	"	"	"
Napinka	"	"	"
La Riviere Section			
La Salle	Favorable	No damage.	Very promising
Rosefield	"	"	"
Morris	"	"	"
Pium Coulee	"	"	"
Morden	"	"	"
Thorhill	"	"	"
Darlington	"	"	"
Manton	"	"	"
Miscellaneous—			
Hamilton	Favorable	No damage.	Very promising
Rapid City	"	"	"
Minotota	"	"	"
Pipestone	"	"	"
Manor	"	"	"
Boston	"	"	"
Otterburne	"	"	"
Emerson	"	"	"
Greta	"	"	"
Toulon	"	"	"
Stonewall	"	"	"
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West Skeels	"	"	"
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COFFEE.

Henry Nordlinger & Co., of New York, say in their latest bulletin on the state of the coffee market:—

"The dealers in coffee should not be misled by the fluctuations in the speculative quarter, is shown by the fact that the lowest price (5 1/2¢) for Rio No. 1, actually was reached on August 18th, last year, whilst at the same time the ruling price for August was 7 1/2¢ basis No. 2, was 4 1/2¢ on the New York Coffee Exchange; since then the price for the current month has advanced more than 10¢ on the coffee exchange, whilst actuals of the grade mentioned shows no decline whatever. On the other hand, the high grades, especially No. 2 and No. 3 Rio have suffered considerable in price; trade demand for these was extremely small until recently. Of late, however, a healthy demand has arisen for them. Inland jobbers seem to have awakened to the fact that the high grades are proportionately the cheapest; they have found that their customers take to them readily at a fair margin of profit. There are as yet in the hands of our country market and holders are willing sellers, but with the broadening of the demand it will not take long to curtail the available supply, and with it, reduce the choice of selections.

"The high grade coffee is there is quite a large stock here, but the bulk of the same consists of very poor roasters. On the other hand, the regular roasters and drinkers, and as these are scarce, they command a considerable premium.

All sorts of schemes have been and are being concocted in Brazil to enhance the sales, and the export markets have successfully combated every such effort, and it is to be sincerely desired that the same kind of affairs should continue for some months yet, in order to learn what effect, if any, the low prices has on the harvesting and marketing of the crop. A disastrously low price seems to be the only cure for the evil of over-production, but a still lower basis must be established, one which does not repay the expenses incurred from the time of picking to the delivery at shipping ports, without leaving anything for interest on investment or on mortgages, or expenses for maintenance. It is claimed by some circumstances that the planters in general are in a very poor financial condition, but we have our doubts whether this includes the well known large plantations which are situated along railroad lines, are well equipped with the necessary machines, and turn out a better product than the average planter, thus obtaining better net proceeds.

It is well to ignore any information emanating from Brazil. The past has shown sufficiently unreliable Brazilian reports and crop estimates are. The present indications point to a very large crop on the heels of when we once have three or four months of the new crop season behind us, we will judge approximately by the receipts at Rio and Santos what the size of the crop will be. This is in fact the only natural and reliable basis for arriving at a reasonably safe conclusion.

In this connection we may mention that it is reported from Brazil that the early arrivals of the new crop show a small bearing of low grade qualities, but this does not prove that the average of the crop will run that way. First arrivals are as a rule very deceptive in this respect. It is estimated that about 15 to 20 per cent. of the receipts during May at Rio and Santos consisted of new crop, and this movement promises to expand during the current month, which may swell the receipts during the 1923-24 crop year to 12 1/2 million bags.

The principal ports of Europe have now a stock of about 7 1/2 million bags; the four principal ports of the United States own of about 3 1/2 million bags, a total of about 11 million bags, sufficiently important to act as a protective against any advance in price based on unwarranted scares such as we have had in the past. Of course consumption is going on all the time; in fact, it is steadily increasing, and it must become larger than the production before we can have a permanent improvement of values. Nevertheless, we must not lose out of sight the fact that the present prices are very low, and that there is very little

risk connected with carrying a full stock in order to be prepared against any emergencies which may arise. The trade is now fairly well supplied with milds and prices have declined in consequence, especially for Maracallos, Caracas and Bogotas. There is also a weaker feeling to East India as growths in sympathy with the lower import cost. Accumulation of stocks as well as trade conditions indicate further price reductions at an early date.

The statistical position has again improved and shows a rate decrease in the visible supply; this is the seventh successive month in which a reduction in visible stocks has been established.

Consumption keeps up at its record-breaking figures; it appears to be reasonably certain that our previously expressed expectations of a consumption of 16 million bags for the present year will be realized if not exceeded. This means that we will not consume about 12 million bags Rio and Santos per annum against 9 million bags on a few years ago.

HARDWOODS.

Stocks of dry lumber being somewhat more plentiful at initial points, as well as with wholesalers, the movement is being considerably heavier than it was a month ago, says the American Lumberman. Unfortunately, however, by reason of the labor strikes, which have extended over the country in epidemic form, the consumption of hardwoods has been materially curiously plentiful, this would probably exercise a depressing influence

on the market, but as stocks are still comparatively scarce and are not likely to be of normal volume for several months, unless the consumptive equipment should continue to fall off alarmingly, there seems to be little danger of any slump in the immediate future.

It is scarcely to be expected that the conditions of demand and supply could remain for an indefinite period at the straining point existing for the past year, and recently there have been evidences that the strain was relaxing. Dry lumber has been slightly more plentiful, but not sufficiently so to exercise any untoward effect on prices. Salesmen have recently been out in the trade through Ohio and Indiana say that the small factory consumers are illly provided with stock because of the high prices asked and are holding off on their buying with the expectation of being shortly afforded better quotations. This state of affairs appears to be quite general among small buyers all over the country, but with the large buyers, notably in the agricultural implement and car building lines, it is not so evident, as most of the latter are heavily provided with lumber in all varieties and their purchases are confined largely to keeping their assortments balanced.

When quarter sawed white oak is available, it continues to sell readily and brings the usual fancy prices. About \$70 to \$75 and sometimes still higher is noted for a good grade of quarter sawed red. Common quarter sawed white oak is also in good request and brings from \$40 to \$45, according to thickness. Plain white oak and plain red oak are selling on about an even basis, an average quotation for carload lots delivered in Chicago being probably around \$35,

though some claim to be buying for a dollar or so less.

There continues to be a first-rate demand for gum for a great many purposes, notably in the way of box lumber and to some extent in the higher grades for wagon boxes.

B. C. SHINGLE SURPLUS.

At a meeting of the British Columbia Shingle Manufacturers' Association, held last week, it was decided that in consequence of the large over-production in Canada and in the United States, that the output should be curtailed by the closing down of the night shift at all mills, and the mills being closed reduced by many degrees closed entirely, and the rest partially closed down. Owing to the big demand for shingles in the Canadian Northwest, it was impossible at one time to manufacture shingles fast enough. The situation has changed materially, however. Many more mills have gone up. Shingles are going into the Territories from the United States, and just at this season of the year, farmers leave the building and repairing of houses for more important occupations. A short time ago the mill men were clamoring for cars, and giving as an excuse, that the Northwest wanted shingles, and they could not give them. Now it is the C. P. R.'s turn to clamor for shingles and ask where the big demand in the Northwest has gone to.

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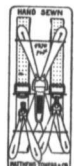
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THE CANADIAN SPECULATION.

The Canadian campaign in American speculative markets which culminated in the failure of A. E. Ames & Co. of Toronto, began some four years ago, when a coterie of Toronto capitalists bought a very large block of Twin City Rapid Transit on a basis of \$70 per share as a non-dividend stock.

It is not to be supposed that this was by any means the beginning of stock speculation in Toronto. The exchange in that city is nearly half a century old, and has always been noted for somewhat sensational dealings on its own account. Wall street remembers the remarkable campaign of George Gooderham in War Eagle Mining about five years ago, when that capitalist carried the stock up from \$10 to \$350 per share, immediately followed by a collapse to \$17.5. It was probably the collapse in this security that really gave an impetus to Canadian speculation on the American markets. The big men of Toronto saw that speculation on their own board was necessarily narrow and capable of the worst kind of manipulation and stock jobbing.

The principle upon which these speculators have worked was to buy a stock that they considered selling away below its possibilities, and to buy it very hard. When they had succeeded in placing their Twin City on a 5 per cent. dividend basis they turned their attention to Boston and acquired from Henry M. Whitney and his associates control of the Dominion Coal Co. at \$40 per share, and of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co. at \$25. The speculation that followed in these securities is still fresh in the minds of the public.

Next, to appease the appetites of the Canadians was the Detroit United and Toledo Traction securities, and so successfully were these stocks bid up that there appeared to be no limit to the advancing quotations. Massachusetts Electric securities were brought to their attention and

after having such success with other tractions—Twin City, Detroit and Toledo—they started in to acquire the common stock of this Boston owned system, but only secured about 20-25 per cent. of the \$40, owing largely to their inability to secure options from the large owners upon a large block of the stock at \$40 per share. This Canadian buying, however, at the time advanced Massachusetts Electric common to 45, and the Boston holders were so anxious to let the Canadians in that the latter became suspicious, and sold out about half of their stock at a loss of 8 to 10 points.

In the meantime the Canadians were active upon the New York stock exchange. They made fortunes in the speculation in Louisville & Nashville and Missouri Pacific, which have been favorites in their own board for years.

When leading officials of the Twin City left St. Paul to enter the service of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit, the Toronto interests acquired a large line of Brooklyn Rapid Transit stock. Looking around for new fields to conquer, the tremendous possibilities of the Consolidated Lake Superior Co. came to their attention, and they formed a syndicate for \$5,000,000 to acquire securities in enterprise. This investment, however, turned out to be a poor one, and the Canadians lost heavily in it.

In the interim they did not neglect their own properties, such as Crows Nest Pass, which they advanced in price 250 per cent. Sao Paulo Tram way, which stock was given as bonus with the terms subscribed for at 90, was advanced to 118 within a year, and various other land, mining, traction and manufacturing enterprises.

Private wires were leased to the active Canadian brokerage houses and the prices of seats on the Toronto and Montreal stock exchanges doubled and tripled in price, until they became the highest priced stock exchange seats, next to the New York stock exchange, surpassing the prices of the Boston exchange seats by \$3,000 and \$1,000 each.

Here at a glance can be seen the extent of the tremendous speculation

in leading Canadian speculative factors:

	Low	High	Low	High
Dom. Steel	22	79 1/2	37 1/2	12
Crows Nest Pass	49	149	109	79
Can. Pacific	33	145	37	27 1/2
Tol. Ry. & L. S.	23	120	28	20
St. Paul	11	87	28	21 1/2
Sao Paulo	50	118	59	39
Missouri Pacific	30 1/2	82	25 1/2	4 1/2

Toronto could not see that the bubble had burst and kept averaging on the decline, but certain Montreal interests started in to make as great profits on the down side as on the advance, especially in the case of the Dominion Coal and Steel securities.

Mr. Ames, of the recently failed banking firm of Toronto, was a director in many of Canada's leading corporations. He was president of the Metropolitan Bank of Toronto, which organized last December with \$1,000,000 capital and \$1,000,000 reserve fund; he was a director of the Sheffield Steel & Iron Co., the Twin City Rapid Transit Co., the Canada Cycle & Motor Co., a \$6,000,000 corporation, the Carter Crane Co., Ltd., \$2,000,000 capital, the Imperial Life Insurance Co., the W. A. Rogers Co., the Toronto Electric Light Co., and many other corporations, and was largely interested in the securities of these corporations. He was rated a millionaire many times over, and his father-in-law, Senator George A. Cox, was rated to be worth \$40,000,000.

The Ames house is said to have outstanding bank loans of considerable over \$15,000,000, and how far the failure will involve other interests it is impossible to state.—Wall Street Journal.

NARROWING WHEAT SUPPLIES.

American wheat supplies are steadily approaching the minimum, the decrease in May aggregating 17,082,000 bushels, as against a decrease of 17,480,000 bushels in May a year ago, 13,691,000 bushels in 1901 and 15,331,000 bushels in 1900. This reduction compares with a decrease of 15,496,000 bushels in April and only 9,744,000 bushels in March. Follow-

ing are the statistics of supplies held in the United States and Canada in the first of each month for four years past.

	[Three figures omitted.]		
January 1, 1901	1,901,190	1,901,190	1,901,190
February 1, 1901	96,313	96,313	96,313
March 1, 1901	99,827	99,827	99,827
April 1, 1901	11,944	11,944	11,944
May 1, 1901	26,286	26,286	26,286
June 1, 1901	28,088	28,088	28,088
July 1, 1901	25,511	47,047	64,583
August 1, 1901	23,721	44,828	66,759
September 1, 1901	25,289	45,614	71,231
October 1, 1901	48,264	69,925	96,313
November 1, 1901	68,199	71,678	92,711
December 1, 1901	85,419	98,909	96,313

There is here shown a stock on May 1, 1903, of 38,288,000 bushels, a decrease of 47,175,000 bushels since January 1 this year, as against a decrease of 41,271,000 bushels last year and of 41,815,000 bushels two years ago. The situation so far as the more statistics themselves are concerned is a rather strong one in this country and Canada, judging from the following figures of stocks held on June 1 for the past eleven years:

	East of Coast	Total
June 1, 1903	36,800,000	36,800,000
June 1, 1902	37,678,000	41,810,000
June 1, 1901	47,159,000	47,159,000
June 1, 1900	27,617,000	43,686,000
June 1, 1899	42,982,000	43,686,000
June 1, 1898	27,679,000	43,686,000
June 1, 1897	71,295,000	71,295,000
June 1, 1896	68,722,000	71,295,000
June 1, 1895	61,375,000	71,295,000
June 1, 1894	71,848,000	80,820,000
June 1, 1893	96,849,000	97,019,000

The total stock of wheat in this country and Canada is here shown to be 2,223,000 bushels smaller than a year ago, 13,193,000 bushels smaller than in 1901, 25,897,000 bushels smaller than in 1900 and 7,141,000 bushels smaller than in 1896. In fact, with the single exception of 1898, when visible supplies were about 8,000,000 bushels smaller than they are now, visible stocks of wheat are the lightest held for eleven years past.—Burr's Street.

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St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 10, 1902.

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Table listing various canned meat products and their prices.

COFFEE.

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The Methodists of Alameda want tenders for the erection of a brick and stone church building. Bids are to be in by the 30th inst.

The Dominion Inspector of penitentiaries asks for tenders for supplies for the various institutions throughout Canada. Bids are to be in by the 22nd.

Sealed tenders will be received up to June 17th for the erection of a three-story solid brick presbytery for the Oblate Fathers of the Holy Ghost church, on Selkirk avenue, Winnipeg.

Tenders, addressed to the commissioner of public works, Regina, Assn., will be received until 10 o'clock Thursday, June 25th, for 2,500 barrels of Portland cement, delivered f.o.b. cars, as follows: 1,500 barrels at Leithbridge, Alta.; 1,000 barrels at Macleod, Alta. Delivery to begin not later than Aug. 15 next.

CHICAGO COUNTRY HIDES.

Hide and Leather: Market appears steadier. Dealers here no trouble in disposing of all their late receipts at 8½¢ for No. 1 butts, including No. 2 at 7½¢. The demand is principally from eastern tanners. Heavy for cows and 9½¢ for steers. The receipts of hides are comparatively light. Country butchers are said to be supplying their wants from the packers, and the country kill is therefore reported smaller than usual. Prices this week a year ago were 8½¢ for butts and 8½¢ to be for heavy cows, and 10¼ to 10½¢ for steers.

Mr. Fielding has given notice of a resolution providing for a loan of \$3,000,000 to the Montreal harbor commissioners at 3 per cent.

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A report from London, Eng., on June 9, said: Commissioner Preston is issuing to the press a letter replying to the Canadian Trades and Labor Councils, who are warning immigrants against Canada. He says the Canadian government is more immediately interested in emigration of agricul-

tural workers. But he himself had received applications for assistance from Canadian employers of labor, to the number of 20,000. Moreover, Canadian newspapers declare that but for lack of labor, building operations on a large Toronto employer writes that Toronto alone could absorb 25,000. Mr. Preston suggests that the Winnipeg Labor Council has some sinister motive in view, rather than an honest warning.

She (at the reception)—Excuse me, but are you an artist, a musician, or a poet?

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He—Your sympathy?

She—Yes. Your poverty must be something terrific.—Chicago News.

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