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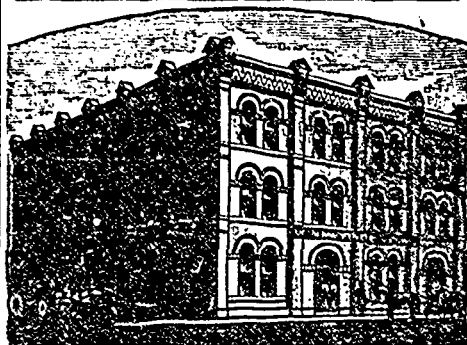
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WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 15, 1888.

W. BENTCLIFFE & Co. have opened a butcher shop in Winnipeg.

The balance of the stock of E. H. Riley & Co., Calgary, has been cleared out.

The second annual exhibition of the Medicine Hat agricultural society, was a success.

GEO. BARNES, general merchant, Rat Portage, Ont., has assigned in trust to J. K. Wright.

C. MOORE & Co., have opened a mining exchange at Rat Portage, for the purpose of dealing in mineral properties.

A DRESS and mantle making establishment has been opened at Minnedosa, Man., by Miss McKay, late of Owen Sound, Ont.

DR. BRETT has received a license to supply guests at the Sanitarium, Banff, with wines and ales. This is the same privilege granted the C. P. R. Hotel, Banff.

G. FANQUELER's livery and sale stable, Maple Creek, Assa., was burned recently and several horses were burned. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss on the building will be about \$5,000; no insurance.

D. MACFARLANE & Co., who were lately reported as likely to open a general store at Minnedosa, Man., have purchased the stock of E. J. Dairoch, of the place named, and will open with a full stock of general goods.

REGINA Journal.—D. W. Bole, president of the board of trade, has secured all the articles in the line of grains, roots and vegetables, shown at the fair here that had been awarded first prizes. These will be forwarded to Ottawa to remain as a permanent exhibit.

SMITH BROS. will establish a new hotel at Regina.

J. BUNNELL, restaurant, Winnipeg, has sold out to Page Carper.

Mrs. PIERSON, fancy goods, Winnipeg, has sold out by auction.

H. A. CHADWICK, has leased Deer Lodge Hotel at Silver Heights, near Winnipeg, for a term of years.

A BLACKSMITH named Ludlow, from Binscarth, has bought Peter Mitchell's shop, at Neepawa, Man.

J. B. JACQUES, of Jacques Bros., furniture dealers, late of Calgary, has opened a furniture store at Edmonton, Alberta.

NIXON & SCOTT, jobbers in boots and shoes, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by Nixon & Co.

THE Territorial Indian Department ask for tenders for 2,050 sacks of flour for the Edmonton district. Flour will be taken from local mills wherever practical.

W. F. BUCHANAN, commission agent, Winnipeg, who is opening a general store at Saltcoats, on the Manitoba Northwestern, will also continue his Winnipeg business.

JELLETT & OTTEWELL, of Clover Bar, are the contractors for the delivery of the oats required by the mounted police at Fort Saskatchewan at 68 cents and U Craig for those required at Edmonton at 58 cents.

A BOARD of trade will be formed at Moose Jaw, the requisite number of signatures having been obtained. A committee was appointed to get up a pamphlet setting forth the advantages of the district as a field to emigrate to.

THE steamer E. M. Foster, lost off Point Aux Barque, Lake Huron, recently, was owned by Thomas Marks & Co., of Port Arthur. The crew were all saved, being picked up by the propeller Atlantic. Loss, \$9,000; insurance, \$5,000.

CALGARY Tribune: Sir John Lester Kaye has removed his general head-quarters to Calgary, from which point the affairs of the entire system of the Canadian Agricultural, Coal & Colonization company will be managed. J. D. Geddes has been appointed accountant for the company.

THE fisheries on Lake Winnipeg this season have been very successful. Last season about \$100,000 worth was exported, but it is believed that the export this season will exceed \$150,000. Robinson & Co. have lately erected a new freezer at Selkirk, and altogether the industry is assuming large dimensions.

A CHANGE will take place in the law firm of Keefer & Thacker, of Port Arthur. Mr. Godfrey, of Stewart, Chrysler & Godfrey, barristers, Ottawa, will be admitted, and the firm will hereafter be Keefer, Thacker & Godfrey. The firm will open an office at Rat Portage, which will be in charge of Mr. Thacker.

ANOTHER Winnipeg manufacture has found its way to the Pacific coast, and is now commanding a ready sale in that region. Reference is made to the manufactures of E. L. Drewry's Redwood Brewery. Drewry's beers are now kept on hand in Vancouver hotels, where they have been received with favor.

TURNER & DESPARS, hardware, St. Bonifacio, Man., have dissolved partnership.

RICHARD BOGUE, groceries and hardware, Winnipeg, offers business for sale.

F. W. JEMMETT has rented the Royal Hotel at Binscarth and will take possession shortly.

A. T. MOORE & Co., jobbers and manufacturers' agents, Winnipeg, contemplate dissolving partnership.

F. C. WADE, lately of the Free Press editorial staff, has opened out in the practice of his profession of law in Winnipeg.

THE Official Gazette to be issued on Saturday will contain a proclamation summoning the Legislative Assembly of the Territories to meet at Regina on Monday, twenty-ninth instant.

THE Rapid City hotels decided to close up on account of the difficulty regarding the obtaining of licenses. Another house, however, opened at once, and since then the hotels have again opened, but without licenses.

PORT ARTHUR Sentinel: There is such a demand for Lake Superior fish in the eastern markets that a number of Montreal and other eastern dealers have signified their intention of visiting Rossport and other points on the North Shore early next week for the purpose of contracting for a large supply of Algoina's celebrated salmon trout and whitetfish.

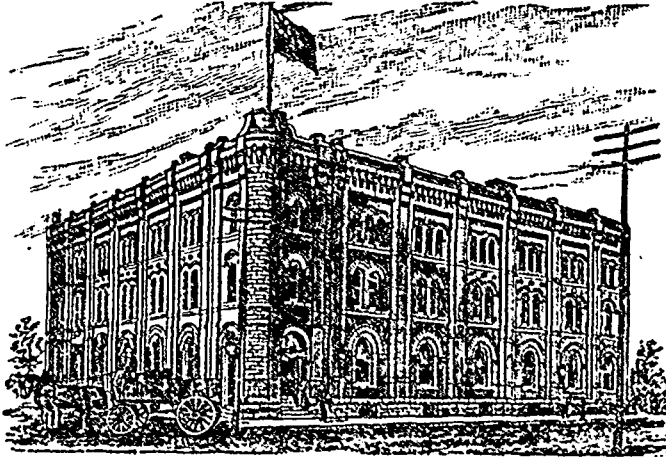
NINE steamers find employment on Lake Winnipeg and Red River, between Selkirk and the lake, Selkirk being the head of low water navigation. A number of barges are also in use. Lumbering and fishing furnish the bulk of the employment for the lake shipping. About 600 men, including a number of Indians, are employed on the lake. A new steamer, the Aurora, has just been completed, at a cost of about \$20,000.

A LIVERPOOL cable on Wednesday says:— Alberta cattle from the New Oxley rancho have arrived at Liverpool ex-Canopus in good condition. The mortality during the voyage was under three per cent., and they are described as sound and healthy cattle. The rancho company may be confident of finding a profitable market in Britain, the excellent quality of the meat destroying the present prejudice against its peculiar color.

A MEETING of the Winnipeg board of flour and meal examiners was held in the board of trade rooms on Wednesday. Standard samples have been received from the Department of Inland Revenue, and it was decided to hold a board of examination for any applicants for the position of inspector on Tuesday, the 23rd inst. Applications for examination must be made in writing to the secretary of the board of trade not later than the 22nd inst.

THE British board of trade returns show that the exports from Great Britain to Canada decreased 3½ per cent. during September, and 11 per cent. during the nine months as compared with 1887. There is a general decrease in manufactures, and increases in iron and horses. The imports from Canada decreased 14½ per cent. in the month, and 14 per cent. in the nine months. The principal decrease was in wheat, which was £165,711 less. Butter and wood are also decreased. There are increases in sheep, flour, cheese and fish.

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At the last meeting of the Winnipeg council the following report of the board of works was adopted without discussion:—"The board would recommend that the council take steps to obtain a charter from the Dominion Parliament to control and operate the water power on the Assiniboine river within the city limits, and that the solicitor be instructed to make the necessary application." This is the first step necessary to the utilization of the Assiniboine water power, and from the adoption of the resolution it would appear that the City Council views the matter in a favorable light.

A LIVERPOOL cable says:—"The British Government Commissioners have completed their mission to Lewis and the outer Hebrides, and the following number of crofters have formally applied for Government aid to settle in Canada:—From Lewis, 123; from Harris, 27, and from the northwest district, 8. The general desire of the crofters therefore appears to be to emigrate to Canada." This has reference to the plan adopted by the Government to relieve the distress of the crofter districts of Scotland, by securing the emigration of a number of these people to Canada. A system of state-aided emigration has been adopted to secure this end. The crofters have heretofore shown a great disinclination to leave their homes, but now that some of their number are comfortably settled in Western Canada and are doing well, it will be less difficult to persuade others to come to this country.

The C. P. R. freight tariff on grain, flour, etc., to Port Arthur, is published in another column of this number of *THE COMMERCIAL*. It will be observed that the only practical reductions in rates have been made in the Winnipeg district, and this may be taken as the first result of the entrance of the Northern Pacific railway into the province. On the main line a reduction of three cents is made at Winnipeg, but from Portage la Prairie westward no change from last year is made in the rates. Stations near to Winnipeg on all the branch lines are given a reduction of three cents. Such stations

are also given the same rate as Winnipeg. The reason for this doubtless is, that were the rates higher than from the city, farmers near Winnipeg would haul their grain to this market, instead of marketing at their local stations. Once hauled to Winnipeg, the grain would be liable to go out by the other roads.

THE provincial exhibition of the British Columbia agricultural association opened on Oct. 4th, at Victoria. The exhibition is reported to have been a great success, the agricultural, mechanical and mining interests all being well represented. The show of live stock was very good, especially in cattle, which included all the favorite breeds. Horses, sheep and pigs were also shown freely. The vegetable exhibit was pronounced superb. In this line British Columbia can hold her own with any part of the continent. The display of fruit included many varieties of apples, peaches, pears, plums, etc., some of mammoth size and fine quality. A display of evaporated fruits, equal in quality to the best imported was also made. Among the manufactured goods was a fine assortment of carriages, wagons, etc., of home manufacture. Pendray & Co., of the Victoria soap works, had on exhibition in the main hall, a palace erected from huge blocks of soap. Of this display a local paper said: "These huge blocks are piled one on top of the other until a complete house is formed, the sides and ends presenting a varied and motley appearance. Soap from the commonest yellow kind to the most costly Cashmere bouquet, and to add to its completeness, a lion couchant, not carved out of butter *a la* Michael Angelo, but out of soap, guards the entrance to the soap palace." Altogether the exhibition furnishes an index to the rapid progress of the province in recent years.

#### Winnipeg Board of Trade.

A meeting of the Winnipeg board of trade was held on October 2nd. The meeting discussed the refusal of the Dominion board of grain examiners to make the grain standards from the samples selected here by the grain committee of the board. As full information

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regarding the cause of the refusal on the part of the Dominion examiners has not yet been received, no action was taken, awaiting the return of the delegates from Toronto.

Some correspondence between the council and the meteorological department at Toronto, regarding the weather reports and "probabilities" for this province was laid before the meeting; and the following resolution was passed and directed to be sent to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries:—

Whereas it is extremely desirable that the daily "probabilities" given from the meteorological office at Toronto and posted at the telegraph offices and other places in Ontario and Quebec and the other eastern provinces of Canada, should be placed daily within the reach of the people in the Northwest; and whereas the official bulletin of the Canadian Meteorological office contains a notice that the "probabilities" issued by that office each morning at one o'clock are posted at every telegraph station in Canada; and whereas, enquiry having been made at the offices of both the Great Northwestern and Canadian Pacific Railway telegraph companies in Winnipeg, it is learned that in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories no such probability reports are posted either daily or on any occasion; be it resolved, that this board petition the Dominion Government to extend the daily meteorological reports and "probabilities" (issued from the signal office in Toronto) to Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, so that the benefits arising from the establishment of the meteorological service in Canada may be experienced by the inhabitants of this Province and the Territories.

It was decided to call a meeting of the full board soon after the return of the grain examiners from Toronto, and bring this and other matters before the attention of the board.

Another meeting of the board was held on October 9. Archibald McBean, grain merchant, was elected a member of the board.

Mr. Nairn, chairman of the board of grain examiners, reported verbally on the annual meeting in Toronto at which the majority of those present refused to accept the wheat samples sent down from here as standards for Mani-

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toba wheat. He reported that a settlement of the question satisfactory to the people of Manitoba will be made in a few days. Owing to the absence of one of the grain examiners' delegates, a full and formal report was not presented.

A committee of the board appointed some time ago to urge the city council to have a preliminary survey made of the Assiniboine river to ascertain its water power capabilities, reported that this had been done, and the committee's report was received, and the committee discharged. A new committee, consisting of Messrs. Bathgate, Alloway, Stobart, Steen and Hespeler, was appointed to watch the steps taken in connection with the water power on the Assiniboine river, so that the board at its next meeting will be informed of what is going on in that direction.

Woodworth & Co. will open a coal and wood yard at Vancouver.

The steamer Cariboo Fly, with 3,500 cases of salmon from Skeena River, B.C., is reported ashore, and probably a total loss. Cargo insured, but no insurance on steamer.

To show the great richness of the Fraser river B.C. delta lands, it may be stated that at the Delta exhibition, turnips were shown which weighed over 40 pounds each. This is about two-thirds of a bushel to a turnip. Oats weighing 55 pounds to the bushel, are vouched for as being shown at the exhibition, and said to have yielded 120 bushels to the acre. Where is Manitoba in this record?

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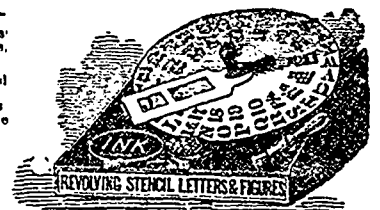
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# The Commercial

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## DAIRYING IN MANITOBA.

In an other column of this issue of THE COMMERCIAL is published a list of cheese factories and creameries in operation this season in Manitoba. In regard to cheese factories, the showing is a good one, and will no doubt prove a surprise to many. It is but a very few years since the first cheese factory was started in Manitoba, and those who will remember this fact, and who have not followed up the progress of the industry since its establishment here, will be surprised to find a list of twenty-six factories now in operation. Even this list is not complete. It is given from memory and doubtless with some omissions. The real number of factories can therefore be placed at not less than thirty. In addition to the factories in the province, several have recently been established in the Territories to the west of Manitoba, thus increasing the list by probably half a dozen factories. Altogether the showing is one of which the country may well feel proud. The rapid strides made in the past two or three years, may be expected to continue in the future. The great advantages which this country possesses for the extension of the dairying industry have frequently been set forth in this journal. The progress already made would indicate that these great natural advantages are being made use of, and that in a short time the dairy interests of this prairie region will be extensive indeed. The field throughout which the dairying industry may be carried on under exceptionally favorable circumstances, is a very large one. Over a very large portion of the great territory of Alberta, where dairying is only now commencing to take root, the natural conditions are equally as favorable as in Manitoba. What may ultimately be accomplished is therefore beyond comprehension.

In the establishment of creameries it will be observed that very little has been accomplished. Only three creameries are given, and these are all in the Winnipeg district. Though many car lots of butter are now annually exported from Manitoba, yet creamery butter is practically an unknown commodity in the Winnipeg market. It can hardly be said to come into the market in wholesale or jobbing quantities.

The product of the creameries in the Winnipeg district is taken by the retail trade or private parties at good prices, and it is impossible to obtain the article for shipment or for general distribution. Inquiries are frequently received by wholesale dealers, from outside sources, for creamery butter, but the best that can be furnished is the pick from receipts of ordinary farmers' butter coming through country merchants. A much larger quantity of creamery butter than is now manufactured would find a ready market right at home, at good prices, to say nothing of the outside demand for the commodity.

The present promiscuous mode of manufacturing and handling butter is not at all satisfactory. It is the cause of endless trouble, and not infrequently of considerable loss to the merchants handling the article. First the country merchant buys it from the farmer, sometimes paying therefor a higher price than the value of the article would warrant. He is obliged to pay the same price for everything offered called butter or else lose some of his customers. After holding for a while, during which time the butter has invariably become considerably reduced in quality, it is sold or consigned to a city wholesale dealer. If sold, it is not infrequently at a loss to the first holder, whilst very frequently losses are netted also through consigning the article. But the loss does not end with the country merchant, as the city wholesale trade has learned to its sorrow, and thus the butter trade has grown to be looked upon as a very unsatisfactory business all around. The only way to remedy this is to do away with the present mode of making and handling butter, in favor of the creamery style of manufacture, and until the bulk of the butter is made in creameries, handling butter will always prove an unsatisfactory business.

So long, however, as the present mode is continued, those handling butter should learn that the one great point to be remembered is: Make haste in marketing. Every day that butter is kept, it is depreciating in quality, especially when subjected to the accommodation which the average country trader can give it. With care in handling, sorting and packing, and following a system of marketing promptly, the average quality of the butter marketed could be greatly improved, but there is really little hope of any decided improvement until creamery butter has largely replaced the ordinary

article made by the farmer's wife or daughters, which latter article only reaches market by a roundabout course after running the gauntlet of foul cellars and coming under many deteriorating influences. So long as this promiscuous system is continued, so long will a considerable quantity of butter, which originally cost from 15 to 18 cents, have to be annually cleared out for grease or re-manufacture into butterine, etc., at from 1 to 8 cents per pound.

To show the demand for creamery butter, it may be stated that a car lot of Ontario creamery is expected to arrive in this market shortly, though at the same time Manitoba has a large surplus of ordinary dairy butter which will have to be exported, whether it will pay to do so or not. This would go to show that the establishment of at least several additional creameries here would prove profitable investments.

The encouragement and development of our dairy interests is a matter which might well receive attention from the Provincial Government, especially with the object of placing the butter trade upon a more satisfactory basis.

## REVISING THE U. S. TARIFF.

The United States Congress has for a long time had the tariff question under consideration, and so far with little practical work done. The tariff question is a very tender one in the United States at present. It is really the one great question at issue in the present presidential contest, and this accounts for the very tender manner in which both parties endeavor to handle the matter. Of course it is the object of both sides to make as much capital out of the question as possible, but as the real feeling of the country upon the tariff question can only be known through the result of the vote at the coming election, the matter must be approached with extreme caution. The Democrats would evidently like to bid for support by making a bold stroke in the direction of tariff reform, but they appear afraid to take the step. There is the feeling of uncertainty that the country may not be ripe for such a *coup d'etat*, and it would be a grave blunder from the political party standpoint, to attempt a reform in advance of public sentiment. A radical policy of tariff reform would also cause some disaffection in the Democratic ranks. No wonder then that to the Democrats the tariff question is a very awkward problem.

On the other hand the Republicans, whilst supporting the high tariff policy on general principles, are anxious to make some movement in the direction of reducing the customs revenue, to appease the growing sentiment in favor of lower duties. The difficulty they have to encounter is to satisfy this sentiment without offending their protectionist friends. There is the large surplus revenue question which must be dealt with in some way, and which represents just so much taxes unnecessarily drawn from the people and from the money in circulation. The revenue must be reduced to an amount not in excess of the requirements of the country, and how to do this without offending the protectionists, is a problem the Republicans have to face.

Notwithstanding the cautious manner in which both parties have approached the question, it is evident that the presidential election will be fought out mainly on the tariff question. If the Democrats have not adopted a radical policy of tariff reform, they have at least shown that their sympathies are in that direction. The protectionists will understand this, and they will know that the success of the Democrats would mean the commencement of a well defined movement to reduce the tariff. They will therefore endeavor to keep up a bold front by supporting the Republican party.

The Mills tariff bill was the first measure introduced having for an object the reduction of the customs revenue. As this bill came from the House, it was not to be expected that it would meet with favor from the Republicans in the Senate. The latter body has now, through the Senate finance committee, framed a tariff reform bill of its own, which bill has lately been reported to the Senate. The bill provides for an estimated reduction in the revenue of about \$75,000,000 for the year. The bill recommends quite a long list of articles for the free list, among which are textile grasses unmanufactured, turpentine and a number of oils used in manufactures, a variety of drugs, the most important being opium, crude or manufactured, upon which there is now a very high duty, books printed in languages other than English, coal, etc. A long list of changes are made in iron and metals, mostly being reductions in duties. The duties on sugars are reduced about one-half. Duties now ranging from \$1.45 to 3½ cents per pound are reduced in the bill to 7 to 2 cents per pound. The duty on

cigars and cigarettes is reduced about one third. A great many slight changes are made in cottons and woollens, miscellaneous articles, etc. The duties on lumber are not changed. The Mills bill placed lumber on the free list.

It can hardly be expected that the House will throw up the contest and allow the Senate bill to become law. On the other hand, it may be expected that each legislative body will hold out for its own particular bill, and in this event neither the House bill nor the Senate bill is likely to pass. For the present, therefore, it is not probable that the proposed tariff reform legislation in the United States will go beyond the preliminary stages.

In the discussion of the tariff question in the press of the United States, one thing remarkable is the number of references to Great Britain, many of them of a most absurd nature. The favorite cartoon represents John Bull loaded up with gripsacks packed with samples of all kinds of merchandise, ready to step across the Atlantic as soon as the Democrats are placed fully in power. The ruin which would result therefrom is graphically portrayed. Some extremists have even gone so far as to declare that British gold is at the bottom of the tariff reform movement. Of course this is very ridiculous, but it does very well as an election argument, and may even help to some extent to catch the Irish vote.

#### WHEAT SPECULATION.

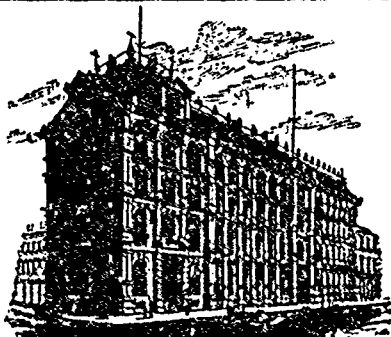
The recent startling advance in the price of wheat has drawn forth a great deal of interest from a large portion of the continent. It is always the unexpected that happens, is an old saying, and this has been true in the case of wheat. Not very long ago, the man who would have had the hardihood to prophesy \$1 per bushel for wheat in the West, would have been laughed to scorn. It has been customary for years back to take a very pessimistic view of the future for wheat, and many well informed operators were of the opinion that the days for \$1 wheat in the West, were gone for good. Nothing short of extensive wars or continued years of famine over a large portion of the earth's surface, they argued, would cause wheat to again assume its old time prices. All these ideas and arguments are now shown to be groundless. With the world at peace, and without any remarkable shortage in the wheat crop of the world

for the current year, we have recently witnessed a remarkable advance in wheat prices, followed by a renewal of speculative interest in the commodity.

One thing worthy of note in connection with the boom in wheat prices, is the wild rage for speculation in the cereal which is now developing. With the low and weak prices which have prevailed during recent years, there has been a great decline in speculative activity in wheat. Margin gambling in the cereal has been reduced to a minimum. The unsuccessful attempt made a year or so ago to work a corner in wheat, which ruined everybody connected with it, gave speculation in the cereal a black-eye, from which it had not until recently recovered.

But the scene has again been changed. The successful working of the Hutchinson corner has again aroused the demon of speculation, and a perfect furor for gambling in wheat is now rapidly springing up. This is certainly peculiar. If there is any lesson to be drawn from the late bulge in wheat, it is that speculation in the cereal is extremely uncertain. The springing of a corner upon an unsuspecting market, which caused heavy losses to many, and the big advance in prices in the face of all prognostications, should teach a lesson of cautiousness, instead of arousing a gambling spirit of extreme recklessness. "But fools rush in where angels fear to tread," and whilst well informed operators recognize the extremely uncertain features of the present situation and are withdrawing from the market, a horde of green operators are rushing in, with the expectation of plucking fortunes from the teeth of the rapidly revolving buzz saw of speculation. Advices from speculative markets say that people are crowding in from the country to gamble in wheat. Many of these are said to be farmers, who have stored their wheat and borrowed money on it. That the result will be disaster to the great majority of these amateur operators, is certain beyond a doubt. These "lambs" will certainly be gathered in, and shorn closely. It is a noteworthy peculiarity that "the country" always buys wheat on a bulge. The professionals know this, and with the large amount of money now up on margin, they will be very slack if they do not engineer a collapse and take it in. The present is a good time to leave speculation in wheat alone. To the farmers we would say, sell your wheat whilst the prices are good, and don't bother yourselves with the manipulations going on in the big speculative markets.



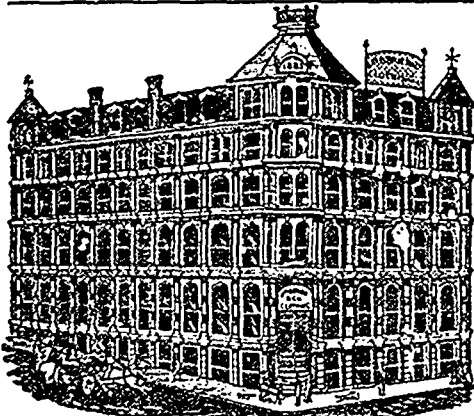


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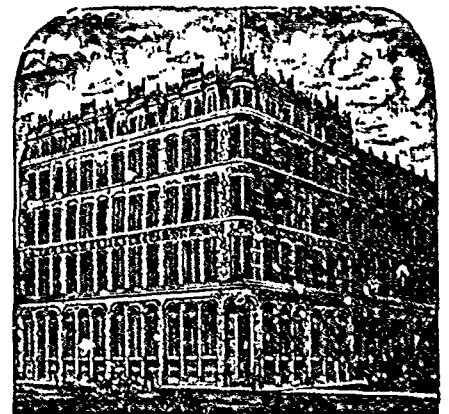
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The grain markets of the province were commencing last week to become fairly active, but deliveries were interfered with to some extent by rain toward the close of the week. A good deal of money has now gone out for the purpose of handling the grain, but it has not yet got into general circulation to any extent. Remittances from the country are still very backward. In nearly all branches of wholesale trade there was the standing complaint of slow payments. With the late season and the consequent backward movement of wheat, dealers find that it is useless at present to crowd their customers. A good deal of paper is therefore still being renewed. Discount rates are steady at from 7 to 8 per cent. Mortgage loan business is light at about the same rate, 8 per cent being the usual figure on farm properties, with good city properties taken at 7 per cent.

**WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.**

More activity was noticeable in wholesale trade circles last week. In textile lines quite a number of little sorting orders were coming in. Paints and oils have been fairly brisk, and building material, including building hardware, has been in good demand. The general tendency of prices in nearly all classes of staple goods is toward a higher range of values, and it looks as though a season of steady appreciation in prices of merchandise had set in. Wheat is not the only commodity that is now commanding a better price than has been customary of late. Several leading commodities have been quietly but surely advancing in price for some time back. These include some leading staples in groceries, provisions, iron and hardware, coal, etc. Some of the recent advances in the prices of leading staple commodities are almost imperceptible in this market, but a comparison of prices with those ruling a year ago, will show that an era of higher prices has at least commenced. Whether it will be lasting or not remains to be seen. In the local city and country trade no important features have occurred, and no news may generally be taken as good news.

**DRY GOODS.**

Though generally described as quiet, yet quite a number of little sorting orders were going out, both in dry goods and clothing. Some orders were received from parties who had canceled their first orders on the first reports of damage to the crops from frost. As quite a number of first orders for fall and winter stocks were canceled in some sections, it is expected that such parties will require frequent sorting orders, and on this account sorting trade from the country is expected to be fairly large this season. Collections are still very slow.

**DRUGS.**

Prices hold steady as follows: Howard's quinine, 75 to 90c; German quinine, 65 to 75c; morphia, \$2.25 to \$2.75; iodide of potassium, \$4.25 to \$4.75; bromide of potassium, 65 to 75c; American camphor, 40 to 45c; English camphor, 45 to 50c; glycerine, 30 to 40c; tartaric acid, 70 to 75c; cream of tartar, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg, \$8 to \$10; bicarb soda, \$4.50 to \$5; 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 \$5.25; American blue vitrol, 7½ to 8¼c.

**FRUITS—DRIED, AND NUTS.**

New currants are now in the market at quotations below. New Valencia raisins are expected daily, also new dried apples, stocks of old of which have been long exhausted. Evaporated apples are quoted lower. Several changes in prices of California evaporated fruits will be noticed. Quotations are: Evaporated apples 10½c a pound. Evaporated California fruit quoted, apricots 23c; pitted plums 20c; cherries 25c; raspberries 35c; peaches 30c; golden dates 8c; Malages, London layers, \$3.50; New season currants, 8c per lb.; Eleme figs, in different sized boxes, 15c per lb; Walnuts, 18c per lb; peanuts, raw, 15c; roasted, 17c; almonds, 20c; pecans, 17c; Filberts, 15c; Brazils, 17c per lb; cocoanuts, \$1.20 per dozen.

**FRUITS—GREEN, VEGETABLES, ETC.**

Apples and grapes are still the principal sorts in the markets. Winter apples will soon be to hand, but have not yet arrived. Prices for grapes are for sound stock, but damaged stuff can be had lower. California grapes are excellent in quality. Tomatoes are about done for the season. Concord grapes are also drawing toward a close for this year. Some cranberries have been received, of the bell and cherry varieties, and sold at \$11 per barrel, but regular stocks are not in yet. Oranges are scarce, but more expected to-day. The yellow fever in the South will interfere with the delivery of the new crop of Florida oranges, which should now be ready for the market. Fresh supplies of bananas have been received. Prices are: Apples, early fall varieties, \$3 per barrel; late fall sorts, \$3.25; oranges, Jamaica, \$8 per box; lemons, common, \$6 to \$6.50, choice lemons, \$6.50 to \$7.00; California Tokay grapes, in 40 lb. crates, \$6.50 to \$7 per crate; Concord, 8c lb; Black Rogers, 8c lb; Red Rogers and Delawares, 9 to 10c lb; California pears, \$4.50 to \$5.50; the wide range in prices being on account of quality; tomatoes in bushel baskets are worth \$2 to \$2.50; bananas, \$4 to \$5 per bunch; Southern onions, \$2.75 per cwt; Spanish onions \$1.75 per crate of 50 pounds; cider, rectified, per bbl 32 gallons, \$13.00; in ¼ barrels, \$6.50.

**GROCERIES.**

Prices hold very firm for most staples. Syrups are scarce, and no pale syrups are to be had. Half barrels are about the only thing offering, at \$5.75. Kegs, standard syrup, \$2.30 per keg. T. & B. tobacco is quoted 1c lower, and P. of W. tobacco ½ to 1c lower. Quotations are: Sugars, yellows, 7½ to 8¼c; granulated, 9½c; lumps, 9½ to 10c. Coffee—Rios, from 21 to 24c; Java, 25 to 30c; Old Government 33 to 34c; Mochas, 32 to 35c. Teas, Japan 23 to 46c; Congous, 22 to 60c; India teas, 35 to 60c; young hyson, 26 to 50c. T. and B. tobacco, 55c per pound; P. of W., butts 40½c; P. of W. caddies, 47c; Honoyu.kle, 7s, 55c; Brier, 7s, 53c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d. thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunette Solace, 12s, 48c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40; Terrier, \$30 per 1000.

**HARDWARE AND METALS.**

Advices have been received of advances in tin plate, bar iron and iron pipe but so far prices here are unchanged and as follows: Cut nails, 10d and larger \$3.50; I. C. tin plates, \$5.50 to \$6; I. C. tin plate, double, \$11. to \$12.00; Canada plates, \$3.60 to \$4.; sheet iron, \$3.75 to \$5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, 40 to 45 per cent off list prices; ingot tin, 30 to 35c per lb., according to quality; bar iron, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6¼ to 6½ per lb.; tarred felt, \$2.60 to \$2.75 per 100 lbs. barbed wire, 6¼ to 7c

**HIDES AND TALLOW.**

Prices for hides here advanced ¼c and present prices are expected to hold until the close of navigation. As soon as the railways stop receiving freight for shipment via the Lakes, prices are expected to be lower, on account of the higher freights by all rail. Parties holding hides should therefore market them at once. Prices are as follows: No. 1, 7½c; No. 2, 4½c; bulls, 3½c; calf, fine haired real veal, 7 to 11 pound skins, No. 1, 5c; No. 2, 4c; sheep pelts, 4.5c, for good, to 2.5c for poor. Tallow, rough, about 2½c per pound, rendered 5c.

**LEATHER AND FINDINGS.**

Prices steady at last quotations as follows: Spanish sole, 26 to 30c; slaughter sole, 26 to 30c; French calf, first choice, \$1.25 to \$1.50; Canadian calf, 75c to \$1.00; French kip, \$1 to \$1.10; B Z kip, 85 to 90c; Bourdon kip, 76c; slaughter kip, 55 to 65c; No. 1, wax upper, 45 to 50c; grain upper, 50c; harness leather, 27 to 31c for plump stock. American oak butts, 50 to 55c; buffe, 17 to 22c a foot; cordovan, 17 to 21c; pebble, 21 to 23c; colored linings, 12c.

**LUMBER.**

Keeps active and with prices firm at list quotations as given last week.

**PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.**

The usual brisk business before the coming of winter is now being experienced in this branch. Prices are unchanged, as follows: Turpentine, 75c in five-gallon cans, or 70c in barrels; harness oil \$1.00; neats-foot oil, \$1.25; linseed oil, raw, 68c per gallon boiled, 70c in barrels or 5c advance in five-gallon lots; seal oil, steam refined, \$1; castor, 12½c per lb.; lard, No. 1, \$1.25 per gal. olive, oil, pure, \$1.50; union salad, \$1.25; machine oils, black 25 to 40c; oleine, 40c; fine qualities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, silver star, 26c; water white, 29c. American oils, Eocene, 34c; water white, 31c; sunlight, 28c. Calcined plaster, \$3.75 per barrel; Portland cement, \$5 to \$5.50; white lead, genuine, \$7.00; No. 1 \$6.50; No. 2 \$6.00; window glass, first break, \$2.25. Alabastine, \$8 per case or 20 pkgs.

**WINES AND SPIRITS.**

Prices are: Canadian rye whiskey, five year old, \$2.40; seven year old, \$3; old rye, \$1.75; Jules Robin brandy, \$4.50; Bisquet DeBouche & Co., \$4.50; Martell, vintage 1885, \$6.50; vintage 1880, \$7.50; Hennessy, \$6.50 to \$7.50 for vintage 1885 to 1880; De Wyper gin, \$3.50; Port wine, \$2.50 and upwards; Sherry, \$2.50 and upwards; Jamaica rum, \$4.00 to \$4.50; DeKuyper red gin, \$11.50 per case; DeKuyper green gin, \$6.50 per case; Tom Gin, \$9.00

to \$10.00; Martel and Hennessy's brandy, one star, \$14.00 per case of 12 bottles; v. o., \$19. v. s. o. p., \$22.

THE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

WHEAT.

The wheat situation has continued very irregular and uncertain. On Tuesday there was quite a tumble in prices in Chicago and other outside markets, the decline amounting to 12 to 13c under the close of the previous week. Still though there was great nervousness, prices have kept up to a high range, though subject to violent fluctuations. Little attention is still given to the statistical situation, and there are signs of professional manipulation in the Chicago market. The visible supply on Monday last, October 6th, was 31,537,436 bushels, against 31,510,133 bushels the previous week, and 30,982,730 bushels a year ago. Exports of wheat to October 1st from Atlantic ports were 21,833,251 bushels against 70,987,898 bushels to the same date last year. Flour exports, however, are larger this year, being 11,035,010 barrels against 8,032,246 barrels to October 1st last year. Wheat sold in Chicago on Monday morning at 50 to 52c per bushel above current prices one year ago. Prices averaged from 20 to 25c above an export basis at Chicago last week and Duluth and Minneapolis were 30 to 40c above export basis. Continental wheat markets, therefore, are working independent of prices in importing markets. The advance has certainly been unprecedented, and though prices may not continue at the present top notch, yet there is every probability of comparatively high prices for the rest of the season—that is compared with the last three years. Receipts at Minneapolis amount to about a million and a half per week, or about the same as this time last year. Duluth only received 186,167 for the week before last against 687,414 bushels a year ago. Receipts at all points were 4,282,656 bushels, being in advance of receipts one year ago by 351,776 bushels. High prices are evidently bringing out the wheat. There was a blockade of cars in Minneapolis last week, at one time nearly 2,000 cars of wheat being on track. The last United States Government crop report gives a total wheat crop of 407,700,000 bushels, or a reduction from earlier estimated reports of from 20 to 40,000,000 bushels.

The local wheat situation like the general one, remains very irregular. Prices paid to farmers in provincial markets varied from say \$1 to \$1.14 for No. 1 hard, and \$1.15 was paid in a few instances. The bulk of the damaged grain offered is bringing very much better prices than choice wheat did last year, prices for damaged ranging from 60 to 95c as to quality. There will be very little wheat so badly damaged that it will not bring as good a price as sound wheat did last year, and this will be wheat unfit for milling. Toward the close of the week there was if anything, an easier feeling, and many dealers are very cautious about taking hold under existing features. The movement commenced to assume

some proportion toward the close of last week, but receipts were less than one-third what they were this time last year. Up to October 11 receipts at Port Arthur elevators were only 133,000 bushels, against 440,000 for the same time last year. Of receipts this year over 100,000 bushels have graded No. 1 and 2 hard.

FLOUR.

Flour has taken another jump of 10c since our last report, but has probably now reached the top, unless wheat keeps up. There is a good eastern demand at firm prices. Quotations to the local trade here are: Patents, \$3.30; strong bakers, \$3.19; XXXX, \$2.50; superfine, \$2.00.

MILLSTUFFS

Hold steady at last quotations: Bran, \$12 per ton, shorts, \$15, ground feed \$24 per ton.

BARLEY.

There is very little barley moving yet. Quotations may be given as ranging from 35 to 45c.

OATS.

Loads on the market bring from 30 to 33c, with an easier feeling. Some car lots have been laid down, of good average quality, at a cost of about 30 to 31c. The feeling is easy, and lower prices are expected to rule, before an export movement can commence.

OATMEAL.

Steady at last quotations as follows: Standard, \$2.50; granulated, \$2.65; rolled, \$3.

CHEESE.

There is more firmness in this commodity and though 10c is the usual jobbing price, some are quoting choice at 10 1/2c.

BUTTER.

There is no change to note, and our remarks of last week will still apply. Stocks of really good are light, and small lots for the city trade will bring good prices. From 16 to 19c may be quoted as the usual range for from good to choice.

LARD.

Very few fresh are coming in, and stocks of lard are now being drawn upon to some extent. Prices are firm and range about 20 to 21c in case lots. There is a considerable movement to ship westward before cold weather sets in.

LARD.

This article continues to advance, and prices closed very strong last week. Some home prepared was offering in 20 lb. pails at \$2.55. Chicago was quoted firm at \$2.75, with some quotations as high as \$3 for 20 lb. pails.

CURED MEATS.

All hog products hold firm. Rolls were scarce. Chicago cured quoted as follows: Dry salt, 13 to 13 1/2c; rolls, 15 to 15 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 15 1/2c; hams, 16 1/2 to 17c. Home cured product is quoted lower than Chicago, as follows: Long clear, breakfast bacon, 15c; rolls, 14c; hams, 16c, all home cured uncanvassed. Pork sausage quoted at 10c per pound and bologna sausage 9c per pound.

DRESSED MEATS.

Beef steady. Rough beef, sides or carcasses may be had as low as 5c, with good to choice from 5 1/2 to 5 3/4c. Mutton steady at 10c; pork higher at 10c; veal 7 to 8c; lamb 11c.

LIVE STOCK.

Hogs were very scarce last week, and no large lots arrived, though a car was reported on the way, on Saturday. Only a few odd hogs came in during the week. Prices are firm at 6 1/2c. Cattle are steady at 2 1/2 to 3c, choice animals readily commanding the latter price. Lambs \$2 to \$4 each.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes plentiful and easy at 25c per bushel. Only a local demand for them so far. Other prices are: Turnips, 25 to 30c per bushel; carrots, 50 to 60c per bushel; beets, 40c per

bushel; onions, native, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per bushel; cabbage, 40 to 75c per doz; caniflower 50 to 90c per doz., celery, 40c per doz. bunches.

MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

The following quotations on Oct. 12 as compared with prices on Sept. 21 will indicate the course of the stock market:

	Sept. 21		Oct. 12	
	Offered.	Bid.	Offered.	Bid.
Montreal.....	212	221	223 1/2	223 1/2
Ontario.....	123	122	125	123 1/2
Toronto.....	211	208	211 1/2	208
Merchants.....	130 1/2	135	131 1/2	131 1/2
Commerce.....	118	117 1/2	120	119 1/2
Molson's.....	157	147	157 1/2	162 1/2
Union.....	93	91	—	91 1/2
N. W. Land Co.....	61	58	63 1/2	62 1/2
C. P. R.....	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	57

CANADIAN SECURITIES IN ENGLAND.

The Canadian Gazette of Sept. 27, gives the following quotations of leading Canadian securities in the London market:

	Price.	Rise.	Fall.
Canada 3 1/2 per cents.....	104 1/2	—	—
Ditto 3 per cents.....	93 1/2	—	—
British Columbia 4 1/2 per cents.....	112	—	—
Canadian Pacific shares (N. Y. register)	59 1/2	1 1/2	—
Ditto shares (London register).....	58 1/2	1 1/2	—
Ditto first mortgage bonds.....	107 1/2	—	—
Grand Trunk ordinary stock.....	11 1/2	3 1/2	—
Ditto first preference.....	67 1/2	—	—
Bank of British Columbia.....	34	—	—
Bank of B. N. A.....	76	—	—
Canada North-West Land.....	31	—	—
Hudson's Bay.....	19 1/2	—	—
Land Corporation of Canada.....	7	—	—
Manitoba 5 per cents.....	111	—	—
Winnipeg 5 per cents.....	110	—	—

TORONTO MARKETS.

Barley No. 1 was reported to have changed hands at 81c; No. 2 at 75c, and No. 3 extra, at 70c.

Oats in fair demand. Sales were made to arrive and on the spot at 36c. For white 3Sc. was asked on the track.

Butter The general run of the offerings are worth about 16 to 18c, but choice commands 19 to 20c.

Cheese Firm at 9 1/2 to 10c for good fall creams. Factories are asking 9 1/2c for choice fall make.

Provisions Dressed hogs firm and in good demand, with sales of rail lots at \$7.50. Mess pork per bbl., \$18.50 to \$19; bacon, long clear, 11 1/2 to 12c; lard, tubs and pails, 12 1/2 to 13c; smoked meats—hams, 12 1/2 to 13c; do., bellies, 13 1/2 to 14c; do., rolls, 12 to 12 1/2c; tallow, common refined, 6 to 6 1/2c.

Hides and Skins Hides No. 1, 5 1/2c; No. 2, 4 3/4c; bulls and No. 3, 3 3/4c; country trimmed, 4 1/2 to 5 1/2c. Lambs, 70 to 80c; sheep pelts, 70 to 80c. Veals, 8 lbs. and up, green, No. 1, 6c; do., No. 3, 5c; do., cured, No. 1, 7 1/2 to 8c; do., No. 2, 6 1/2 to 7c.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Grain No. 1 hard Manitoba, \$1.45 to \$1.47. No. 2 do., \$1.43 to \$1.45; No. 1 northern, (old) \$1.50; peas, 79 to 80c; oats, 34 to 35c; corn, 55c; barley, 60 to 65c.

Flour—Patent spring, \$6.75 to \$7; strong bakers', \$6.40 to \$6.50.

Oatmeal—Quiet. In bags, \$2.40 to \$2.60 standard, and \$2.70 to \$2.75 for granulated; Rolled oats, \$2.90 to \$3 in bags.

Eggs--The market was firm at 17 to 17½c per dozen.

Butter -Quiet, with some demand for creamery, but other qualities slow. Prices: Creamery, 19 to 21c; Townships, 17 to 20c; Western, 15 to 16½c.

Cheese--Stronger in tone, and held firmly. Quotations: Finest September, 10½ to 10¾; finest August, 9½; fine, 8½ to 9c; medium, 7½ to 8c.

Provisions Fairly active, and at firm prices. Mess pork, western, per brl., \$18.00 to \$18 50; Hams, city cured, per lb., 12½ to 13½c; hams, canvased, 12½ to 13½c; lard, western, in pails, 11½c; lard, Canadian, in pails, 10½c; bacon, 11 to 11½c; shoulders, 8c; tallow, common refined, 5½ to 6c.

**Cheese Markets.**

BROCKVILLE, Ont., October 5. About 5,000 boxes spot cheese have been taken up at 8½c to 9c August and 9c to 10c September. A few of the leading factories are still holding but will probably soon go. About 100 factories have contracted and the remainder can get 9½c easily. Ten cents asked.

LONDON, Ont., October 6. Twenty factories registered 3,215 boxes August and 4,610 September and balance. Sales were 1,990 August at 9c, 300 at 9½c, 1,180 at 9½c, and 995 at 9½c. The market was very active, but factorymen were seemingly unwilling to name a price for the fall make.

INGERSOLL, Oct. 9. At Ingersoll sales were as follows: 300 boxes at 9½c; 140 boxes at 9½c,

all of July and August. Factorymen are holding September and October at extreme prices.

J. E. WRIGHT, auctioneer, will resume business in Winnipeg.

MR. BELL, of Parsons, Bell & Co., wholesale stationers, Winnipeg, has been laid up with fever at Lethbridge, but is getting around all right.

THE samples for grading the wheat crop of Western Canada for this year, have not yet been fixed, but it is understood they will be decided upon shortly. The report that last year's samples would be used this year, was absurd on the face of it, and has since been denied.

THERE are about a dozen grain buyers in the Brandon market. As high as \$1.15 was paid for wheat there last week from \$1.10 to \$1.12, however, was the usual price for No. 1 hard. Damaged grain brought from 65 to 95c. Oats were bringing about 22c for average samples, and barley 40 to 42c for good samples. Potatoes 30c; butter 20c; eggs 20c. Live stock quoted: Cattle 2½ to 2¾; hogs 5 to 5½c; sheep 4½c.

THE difficulty regarding the crossing of the C. P. Ry. by the Portage branch of the Northern Pacific system, has been referred to the supreme court, by the railway committee of the Privy Council. So the matter rests for the present. Should the supreme court decide in favor of the C. P. R., the only legal way out of the difficulty would appear to be to get a charter from the Dominion Parliament. The matter is liable to cause another storm in Manitoba, if the opening of the road is greatly delayed by the action of the C. P. R.

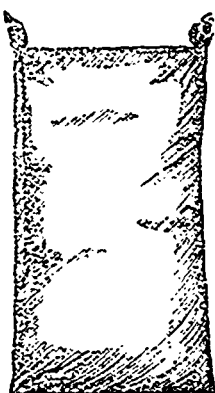
SEVERAL changes have been made at Brandon in the hotels. The Queen's, Brunswick, and the Edie House have been refused renewals of licenses, and will close. The Langham, closed for some time, will be opened to-day by J. W. Nevlan, of Toronto, under the management of A. W. Sellar. It is claimed that the granting of licenses has been influenced by political motives, and that though three houses have been closed, there is a shortage in the hotel accommodation of the town.

HARRY ARKELL, the produce and commission dealer, of Vancouver, B. C., was in Winnipeg last week, having previously made a trip through the province, and will go on to Ontario. He is working up connections in Manitoba with the object of getting supplies of Manitoba produce. He purchased several tons of butter while here. Mr. Arkell has lately secured new premises in Vancouver, and has now first-class facilities for handling consignments of produce. He reports that the Pacific terminal city is growing rapidly, and is alive with the hum of activity and progress.

S. L. MOORE, general freight agent and Chas. S. Fee, general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific railroad, arrived in Winnipeg last week. The bridge has now been completed, and trains have crossed. A regular train service between Winnipeg and St. Paul, and other points, will commence on the 20th inst. The wheat rate from all points on the Red River Valley road to Minneapolis or Duluth has been placed at 21 cents per 100 pounds, which is the same rate the C. P. R. gives to Port Arthur from points on the Emerson branch. The N. P. officials say they will give low rates on fruits from California, and special rates on stock from Montana.

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**EASTERN MARKETS.**

**CHICAGO**

October wheat opened at \$1.19½ on Monday, and ranged during the day from \$1.15 to \$1.19½. December ranged from 1.17 to 1.22. The feeling was easier at the start and speculators were inclined to be conservative. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1 10½	1 18½	1 16½	1 20
Corn	45	41½	38½	39½
Oats	24	25½	—	29½
Pork	15.50	—	14.70	—
Lard	10.00	8.42½	8 35	—
Short Ribs	5 10	—	7 42½	—

October wheat opened at 1.13½ on Tuesday, and ranged from 1.08½ to 1.13½. December ranged from 1.11½ to 1.17½, closing at the bottom. All domestic markets sold down from 5 to 7c to-day, and selling was free all over. It was difficult to account for the break. The feeling was very weak at the close, under heavy offerings, and the bears were in great glee. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.08½	1.11½	—	1.12½
Corn	44½	40½	37½	39½
Oats	23½	25	—	28½
Pork	15.00	—	14.27½	—
Lard	9.50	8 25	8 20	—
Short Ribs	8.52½	—	7 22½	—

Wheat opened at 1.10 for December on Wednesday, and ranged from 1.09 to 1.13½. October ranged from 1.09 to 1.11. The opening price was 2c lower, but by noon prices had advanced 4 to 4½c. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1 11	1 13½	—	1 14½
Corn	44½	40½	—	39½
Oats	23½	25	—	29½
Pork	15.00	14.27½	14.37½	—
Lard	9 37½	8 25	8 17½	—
Short Ribs	8.50	—	7 25	—

Trading in wheat was more active on Thursday, with prices firmer at the start. The market closed very nervous and with talk of fresh manipulations. The lowest point reached was 1.10½ for October and 1.11½ for December. Closing prices were about at the top for the day as follows:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.14	1.16½	—	1.15½
Corn	45½	41½	—	39½
Oats	26	25½	—	29½
Pork	15.00	14.32½	14 42½	—
Lard	9.10	8 14	8 12½	—
Short Ribs	8.55	—	7 30	—

The wheat market continued excited on Friday, and prices were very irregular. Another manipulated deal is feared. December was the most active option. This opened at 1.17 and fluctuated between 1.18½ and 1.14½. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.14	1.16	—	1.14½
Corn	45½	41½	—	39½
Oats	24½	25½	—	29½
Pork	15.00	14.40	14.50	—
Lard	9.10	8 17½	8 15	—
Short Ribs	8.55	—	7.37½	—

Saturday's closing figures were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.14½	1.16½	—	1.14½
Corn	45½	41½	—	39½
Oats	24½	25½	—	29½
Pork	15.00	14.40	14.42½	—
Lard	9.10	—	8.17½	—

**DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.**

Wheat was excited on Monday and broke 6c, but recovered 5c. Tuesday prices were irregular and lower. Wednesday prices opened 6 to 8c lower, and sold off 1 to 2c more, but closed firmer. Thursday there was a 2c range in prices. On Friday October wheat ranged from 1.25½ to 1.28½. December ranged from 1.22 to 1.26. No. 1 Northern closed on Friday at 1.17 and No. 2 Northern at 1.10. Closing prices for No. 1 hard on each day of the week were:

	Cash.	Oct.	Dec.	May
Monday	—	1.31½	1.29½	1.32½
Tuesday	—	1.26	1.28½	1.24½
Wednesday	—	1.25	1.25½	1.23
Thursday	—	1.26	1.26	1.23½
Friday	—	1.25½	1.26	1.22½

Saturday's closing figures were: --October, 1.22½; Dec. 1.20½; May, 1.22½.

**MINNEAPOLIS.**

Closing quotations on Thursday for wheat were as follows:—

	Cash.	Dec.	On track
No. 1 hard	1.26	96	1.27
No. 1 northern	1.19½	1.20	1.20
No. 2 "	1.13½	1.14	1.14

Closing quotations for flour were: Patents, sacks to local dealers, \$7.05; patents to ship, sacks, car lots, \$6.90 to \$7.05; in barrels, \$7.05 to \$7.25; bakers, here, \$6.55 to \$6.85; superfine, \$4.25 to \$4.85; red dog, sack, \$1.60 to \$1.65; red dog, barrel, \$1.80 to \$1.85.

Of the flour market the *Northwestern Miller* says: The price of flour has advanced twice this week, which has had a tendency to check business, though the continued high prices of wheat gave the flour market a firm basis for its higher quotations at the time. At any rate flour buyers are beginning to realize practically what they were slow to believe a few weeks ago, that short crops make higher prices. There was more buying from Europe, though the bulk of the foreign trade still waits, or what amounts to that, bids under prices flour can be sent at. The last of the week the flour market was dull, due to the eastern collapse in wheat Tuesday. Millers are still buying wheat here at prices above the New York figures, and have unlimited confidence in the future demand for the flour it will make. They regard the break in wheat as a purely speculative deal, and as such destined to brief existence. The flour market is held firmly, and there is nothing in sight now to indicate a serious break by millers, as they prefer holding the current production until things take the other turn.

A TELEGRAM from Duluth on Saturday says that the first contract has been let toward building the Duluth and Winnipeg railway. It is said J. J. Hill controls the scheme, and that the road will be completed next summer.

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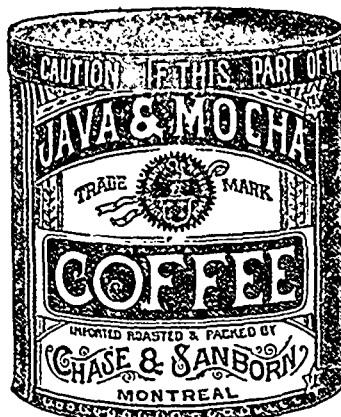
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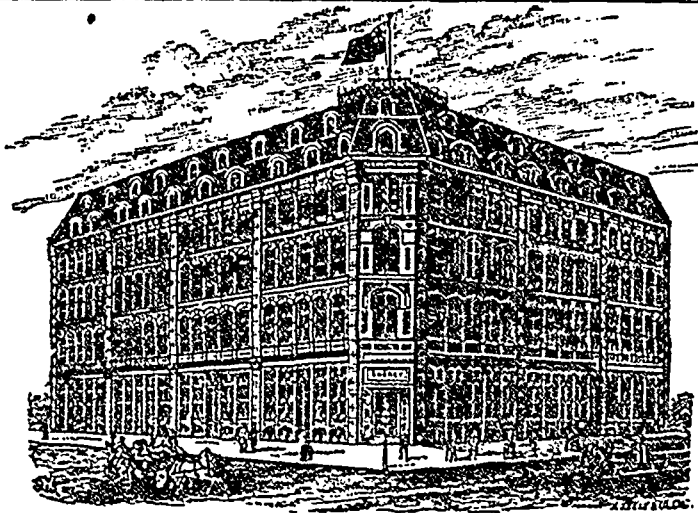
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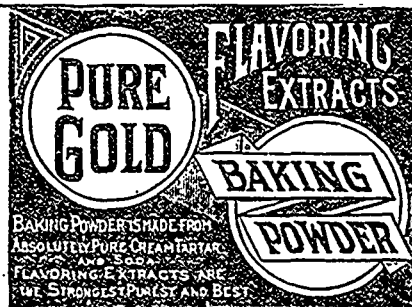
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The Rogers' elevator at Clearwater, Man., is now nearing completion and will soon be ready to receive grain. The hum of the threshing machine is heard in every direction, the wheat turning out in most cases a much better sample than was expected.

Port Arthur *Sentine* of October 5 says:—So far the amount of this season's crop of wheat which has arrived at the elevators here, and the grading of it is as follows:—2 cars extra Manitoba hard; 30 cars No. 1 hard; 16 cars No. 2 hard; 2 cars No. 3 Northern; 7 cars rejected, making a total of 57 cars to date.

The Regina *Leader*:—One of our representatives has visited Moose Jaw and reports the crop as wonderful. On one farm on breaking of 1885 thirty bushels to the acre. Moose Jaw will have 125,000 bushels of wheat for shipment; 30,000 bushels of barley, and 100,000 bushels of oats. The town itself is wonderfully improved, new buildings and new sidewalks on all hands. Large granaries are also being built.

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 lots from points on the Western division and  
 branch lines to Fort William and Port Arthur,  
 has been issued by the C. P. R., and was put  
 into effect on Oct. 1st. the complete tariff is  
 given below, together with the tariff which it  
 supercedes:—

	MAIN LINE.	
	Rate in cts. per 100 lbs.	
	New	Old
+Winnipeg.....	E 21	24
*Bergen.....	21	—
Rosser.....	21	24
*Meadows.....	22	—
Marquette.....	22	24
Reaburn.....	22	24
Poplar Point.....	23	24
High Bluff.....	23	24
+Portage la Prairie.....	E 24	24
Burnside.....	24	25
*Bagot.....	25	25
+McGregor.....	25	—
Austin.....	25	25
Sidney.....	25	25
*Melbourne.....	25	—
+Carberry.....	E 25	25
Sewell.....	25	25
Douglas.....	E 25	—
Chater.....	E 25	25
+Brandon.....	E 25	25
*Kemnay.....	E 26	—
Alexander.....	E 26	26
Griswold.....	E 26	26
+Oak Lake.....	E 26	26
Virdeu.....	E 26	26
*Hargrave.....	27	—
Elkhorn.....	27	27
Fleming.....	E 27	27
+Moosomin.....	E 27	27
*Red Jacket.....	28	—
Wapella.....	28	28
*Burrows.....	28	—
Whitewood.....	28	—
*Perceval.....	28	—
Broadview.....	28	28
Oakshela.....	28	—
Grenfell.....	28	28
*Summerberry.....	29	—
Wolsley.....	29	29
*Sinaluta.....	29	—
Indian Head.....	E 29	29
+Qu'Appelle.....	E 29	29
*Macleod.....	30	—
Balgouie.....	30	30
*Pilot Butte.....	30	—
+Regina.....	30	30
Pense.....	30	30
Pasqua.....	30	—
Moosejaw.....	30	30
Swift Current.....	31	31
Maple Creek.....	32	32
Medicine Hat.....	32	32
Gleichen.....	33	33
Calgary.....	33	33

PENNINA BRANCH.	
*St. James.....	21
Lasalle.....	21 24
*Osborne.....	21
Morris.....	E 21 44
Rosenfeld.....	21 24
Gretna.....	E 21 24
*Plum Coulee.....	E 21
+Morden.....	E 21 24
+Thornhill.....	E 22
*Darlingford.....	22
Manitou.....	E 22 25
La Riviere.....	24 25
*1st Siding.....	24
Pilot Mound.....	E 24 25
Crystal City.....	E 24 25
Clearwater.....	E 24 25
Cartwright.....	25 26
Holmfield.....	25 26
Killarnoy.....	E 25 26
*Little Pembina.....	25

Boissevain.....	E 25	26
*Whitewater.....	E 26	27
Deloraine.....	E 26	27
SOUTHWESTERN BRANCH.		
*Murray Park.....	21	—
Headingly.....	21	24
*Starbuck.....	22	—
*Elm Creek.....	23	—
*Maryland.....	24	—
Barnsley.....	24	24
*Rathwell.....	25	—
Treherne.....	E 25	25
+Holland.....	25	25
Cypress.....	E 26	26
Glenboro.....	E 26	26
STONEWALL BRANCH.		
Stony Mountain.....	21	—
+Stonewall.....	21	24
SELKIRK BRANCH.		
*Kildonan.....	21	24
*Parkdale.....	21	—
*Victoria Park.....	21	—
*Lower Fort Garry.....	21	—
Selkirk West.....	21	24
EMERSON BRANCH.		
+St. Boniface.....	E 21	24
*St. Norbert.....	21	—
Niverville.....	E 21	24
Otterburne.....	E 21	24
*Dufrost.....	21	—
*Arnaud.....	21	—
Dominion City.....	E 21	24
Emerson.....	E 21	24

Stations marked E have elevators. Stations marked + have flour mills. Stations marked \* no agent.

**The Western Indians.**  
 The Gazette, published at Macleod, Southern Alberta, gives the following interesting article concerning the Indians:—  
 One of the important annual events in this part of Alberta is the treaty payments to the Blood and Peigan Indians, or rather the trading in town that follows. The Indians were paid last week, nearly 4,000 of them in all, and for the subsequent two days there was a constant stream from the reserves to town. The Peigans came first. On Saturday the Blood procession began, and all day Sunday they arrived in droves of hundreds. Each family could probably boast of about three dogs to the individual.  
 On Monday morning it was estimated that there were close on  
**2,000 INDIANS IN TOWN.**  
 The stores were simply packed with men, women, children and dogs. During almost the entire morning, it was absolutely impossible to get from one end of I. G. Baker & Co's store to the other. It is safe to say that no city in the Dominion of Canada presented the same stir as Macleod did on Monday last. An individual examination of the motley croud was very amusing. The day was very warm, and yet one would see the solemn and dignified visage of some of the old men surmounted by the most extraordinary designs of heavy fur caps, pulled down well about the ears. Usually these fur caps were minus any top. Every one talked at once, and the interior of a store was probably as near an approach to bedlam as one would meet with in a life-time.  
 The Gazette interviewed John Black, I. G. Baker & Co's head clerk, the other day, and is indebted to him for a few items concerning Indian trading.  
 When the Indians come in to trade, they at once demand that tea shall be made for them

with plenty of sugar in it. Their appetites also require large crackers. Before this tea is passed around once, the first ones are back asking for more. This meal is disposed of by groups of Indians sitting on the floor, and the cups consist of anything convenient that will hold tea. The first day is generally spent making a thorough examination of the articles for sale in the various stores, and getting prices. But little trading is done until the Indians all get together, and then they come with a rush. The bulk of their money is laid out in blankets. The next staple they go for is duck for tents. Stoves are in considerable demand, and a large quantity of tinware is purchased. Shirts for the men, and trade cloth for the women are largely bought. Tea, sugar and baking powder come next. The Indians do not go in for useless trinkets and ornaments as they did in former years, although large quantities of beads are always sold. The surplus money which they used to invest in these things, they now put chiefly into beer, which they in turn put into themselves, becoming thereby greatly exhilarated. They are much better judges of the value of an article than one would suppose, and are not above doing a little cheating, if they get an opportunity. Are they honest? The answer to this question was that they would steal almost anything they could get their hands on, except a red-hot stove, and would probably take big chances to get away with that. Of course there are exceptions in the shape of honest Indians, but they only prove the rule. One peculiar thing is that, if one Indian is set to watch the others, he will do so most religiously, and not allow any of them to touch a thing, though he may be the biggest thief in the world himself. It is well to remark that the detective himself will also bear watching, for though he will protect the goods from other thieves, he is not above rewarding himself for his work.

Thus far the Indians have been particularly orderly and well-behaved in town. While some of them have got too much beer, and whooped it up a little at night, the vigilance of the police has reduced these occurrences to a minimum, and it is doubtful if an equal number of white men would have congregated together without much more serious results.

### Arctic Furs.

The *Colonist* newspaper, of Victoria, B. C., gives the following account of a lot of Arctic furs recently received there: J. Davis, the purchaser in this market for Henry Uhlman, New York, received the other day a consignment of Arctic furs, taken at Point Barrow, the extreme northernmost point to which sailing or steam vessels go. The lot consists of numerous white foxes, cross foxes, red foxes and blue foxes; polar bear skins, Arctic grizzlies, lynxes, minks, land otters and beavers.

The best of the white foxes have a fur softer than down and as white as snow. The poorer skins are generally dyed to imitate the black fox, while perfect furs are utilized in the manufacture of white fur trimmings, for which there is no better article. The white fox's home is on the ice and snow, and the protection that nature has given it is in harmony with the surroundings.

The cross-foxes are not as their name would indicate a hybrid, but are given that name because of a clearly defined black cross on the reddish mane. The fur on the back is similar to that of the silver fox.

The blue fox skins are a rare variety and only three are to be found in the lot. The color is more of a drab than blue.

The red foxes are all fine specimens, and have the largest "brushes" of the four varieties. Some possess tails two-thirds as long as their bodies. These animals are trapped by the Aleutes that inhabit the inhospitable regions of the north.

The pelts of the lynx have advanced considerably in value during the past few years, and are now worth \$4 where formerly they brought but fifty cents a piece. This is due to their increased uses in the fur trade, and to the fact that they are becoming less numerous.

The polar bear skins are valuable as curiosities; they have little worth as fur. The Arctic grizzlies may be said to be similarly situated, though the fur is somewhat better than that of the polar. The black bear brings the highest price in the market just now because its fur is fashionable for trimmings. The curio collector, however, will pay a high price for either polar or grizzly, and their value is regulated by what can be received for them.

The mink, land otter and beaver skins, from the Arctic will not compare in quality with those secured in British Columbia.

The consignment received by Mr. Davis is the first that has been received here from the Arctic in many years. It may, perhaps, be the forerunner of many future shipments. There are various reasons why Victoria is specially favorable as a fur market. The skins have to be peculiarly treated before being shipped to New York and other eastern points, and as an extensive trade is already established in this city, sellers would always be certain to secure the best market price for their goods.

### The Sealing Fleet.

The seal skins entered up to date at the custom house, from coast and northern catches, amount to a total of 19,038, of which 5,405 were from the coast and 13,633 from the North Pacific ocean. There are two schooners yet to arrive, the *Mountain Chief*, which is reported in the straits with 800 skins, and the *Favorite*, which is probably loading oil on the west coast, and is said to have a catch of about 1,500. This would make the total for the year of 21,338 skins, which, valued at the present market price, \$6, makes a total value of \$128,028. The catch for this year falls considerably short of that of 1887, both on the coast and in Behring's Sea. The coast catch of last year was 12,084, and that from Behring's Sea 21,716, the latter exceeding the total catch this year. In Inspector Mowat's report for 1887, seals were valued at \$7 apiece, but this is an outside figure paid for specially fine specimens. Placing the value all round at \$6, there is a deficiency this year of \$74,972 from that of 1887. The extremely unfavorable weather along the coast during the spring prevented a large catch, and the uncertainty as to the intention of the Americans in Behring's Sea this year prevented many schooners from entering there, and many of those that did enter

kept well out of the way. The catches of many of the schooners will not pay expenses, while there is little profit this year for the majority of them. The average earnings of the fleet will be slight. However, the majority of sealers will engage again next season, while some are looking forward to the development of the deep sea fisheries to furnish their vessels with more profitable and less risky employment.—*Victoria Colonist*.

The *Calgary Herald* has passed into the hands of a joint stock company, of which E. J. Chambers, late of the *Montreal Star*, is managing director.

PRAIRIE fires have done some damage in sections of the province. Where grain stacks have been burned, the loss is due to gross carelessness in almost every instance.

Nulph, of Clearwater, M. N., has procured a license for his hotel and is now busy making such alterations in his house as are required to put it into first class shape.

SIMEON DUCK, M. P. P., ex-finance minister, has been appointed city treasurer of Victoria. This will probably cause a vacancy in the Legislature for the Victoria city district.

The *Brandon Mail* gives a summary of the building operations of that place for the season of 1888. The total amount expended in building footings up to \$125,000, a very respectable showing.

The local company organizing at Brandon to light the city with electricity is meeting with excellent success in the canvass, and enough stock has been subscribed to warrant the pushing of the undertaking.

PORT ARTHUR *Sentinel*:—The demand for lumber in this vicinity this season is something enormous, the new elevators requiring 8,250,000 feet alone, for which Messrs. Graham, Horne & Co. have the contract. These gentlemen have also contracted for the delivery of over 2,000,000 feet of lumber to be used in new buildings here and at Fort William, and it is safe to say that other local dealers and builders will use about half as much more.

A TRAIN of fifteen cars of cattle, numbering 255 head, was started from Calgary on Oct. 4th for the Old Country by Cormack & Reid. The cattle were purchased from Hull, Trounce & Co., and were top cattle picked from bands which the firm have purchased in the ranching district. There will be three trainloads of cattle, numbering 800 head, shipped from Calgary for the English market during the next two weeks.

At least four firms will engage in pork packing in Winnipeg this winter. In addition to the three firms mentioned in THE COMMERCIAL a short time ago, Messrs. Allen & Brown will also do a general packing business. This firm has been doing some packing all along during the past summer, and now that cool weather is setting in, they are preparing to extend their operations. The head of the firm is a thoroughly practical man, and has been engaged in curing hog products here since the first packing house was established in Winnipeg, he having been head packer for the first packing house started in the city.

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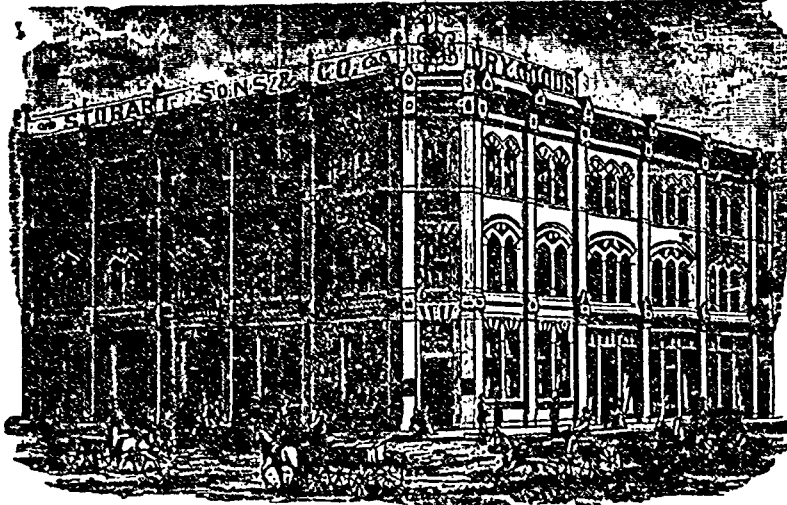
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The next provincial exhibition in 1889, will be held at Westminster.

The new Vancouver daily journal—the *World*—will commence at once the publication of a weekly issue.

The Department of Fisheries, it is said, will tranship a cargo of live lobsters from the fishing grounds in Nova Scotia to British Columbia for the purposes of propagation in the Pacific Ocean.

Leask & Morrison, merchant tailors, Victoria and Vancouver, have dissolved partnership. Leask will retain the Victoria branch of the business, while Morrison will conduct the branch in Vancouver.

Hon. Robert Dunsmuir has commenced an action against the *Victoria Times*, alleging libel and damages of \$5,000. The article stated that Dunsmuir used his Cabinet Minister position in building roads to his coal mines.

The Enderby roller flour mill, sold recently to Welch, Ritchet & Co., of Victoria, is said to have been purchased for about \$33,000. The mill cost nearly \$60,000, and was only completed about a year ago.

17,000 tons of iron ore were exported from the Texada Island mines during the month of September. The value of the iron ore for export purposes is placed at \$3 per ton. The ore goes to the Irondale smelting works, Washington Territory.

An American corporation has purchased the Cedar district coal mines, to the extent of 3,260 acres. The purchasers are large consumers of coal, and it is stated that the work of opening up their coal field will be commenced almost immediately. These lands are tributary to Nanaimo.

The shipments of coal from the Nanaimo district for September, amounted to 43,903 tons, being nearly 4,000 tons in excess of the July shipments, which were the highest reached up to that time. For custom purposes the coal is valued at \$1 per ton, making a total value of

coal exports for the month of \$176,000. The shipments alluded to do not embrace the coal taken to Vancouver for the use of the China steamers, nor the provincial trade. This coal was exported in 25 vessels, the greater bulk going to San Francisco.

A new steamer to run between Vancouver and Victoria, has lately been completed at Glasgow, Scotland, for the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., of Victoria. The steamer will be called the *Islander*. The *Glasgow Herald* says of the steamship: On Saturday the twin screw steamer, *Islander*, of 1,600 tons, built by Napier, Shanks & Bell for the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company of Victoria, was tried on the measured miles at Skelmorlie, when the machinery was tested to its utmost capacity, with most excellent results. A mean speed of about nineteen miles was attained with an indication horse power of 3,600. It is expected that even a greater speed than this will be attained. In the afternoon the vessel returned to Glasgow to prepare for her voyage. The *Islander*, under the command of Captain Robertson, late of the *Etruria*, will set out for her destination, via Straits of Magellan, in a few days.

The new paper promised a short time ago—the *Vancouver Evening World*—has made its appearance, and it starts out with a great flourish of trumpets. The first issue is largely devoted to a description of the city of Vancouver, past and present. The paper is eight pages, seven columns to a page, in size, neatly printed and apparently ably edited. Politically it will give an independent support to the present Local and Dominion Governments. The *World* will be published by the World Publishing Company, of which Mr. McLagan, formerly of Winnipeg, is one of the chief promoters. Altogether the first issue of the *World* gives evidence that the paper will be conducted with energy and ability, quite in keeping with the go-ahead policy of the city in which it is published. It seems, however, to have already adopted one bad habit, common to many provincial journals. We refer to the custom of inserting advertising puffs and notices among the local items. This habit detracts greatly from the appearance of a journal, and renders the local columns less convenient for reference. The custom should be left exclusively to third-class country papers.

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**Dairying in Manitoba.**

Frequently communications are received at this office, asking for a list of creameries and cheese factories. The following list, with post office address and name of operator, has been kindly furnished THE COMMERCIAL by Prof. S. M. Barre:—

**CHEESE FACTORIES.**

- 1 Sunnyside ..... Dr. Janieson.
- 2 Stonewall ..... Lunn.
- 3 Crystal City ..... Wm. Taylor.
- 4 St. Leon ..... Ed. Labossiere.
- 5 Minnedosa ..... A. Malcolm.
- 6 Shoal Lake ..... Scott & Waldoek.
- 7 Nowdale ..... Scott & Waldoek.
- 8 Birtle ..... Dutton.
- 9 Virden ..... Tapp & McDowell.
- 10 Otterburn ..... P. Carey.
- 11 Boissevain ..... G. Morton.
- 12 Westfourne ..... James Bray.
- 13 Meadow Lea ..... ———
- 14 Manitou ..... Rockell & Burrows.
- 15 " " " " " "
- 16 " " " " " "
- 17 Rapid City ..... Andrew Patterson.
- 18 St. Laurent ..... Lacoursiere.
- 19 Morden ..... ———
- 20 Lorette ..... Pelletier.
- 21 Lorette ..... Pelletier.
- 22 St. Jean Baptiste ..... Pelletier.
- 23 Ste. Anne ..... S. M. Barre.
- 24 St. Norbert ..... " "
- 25 Royal ..... " "
- 26 Ste. Agathe ..... " "

**CREAMERIES.**

- 1 St. Francois Xavier ..... Pearsons.
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- 3 Joly's ..... S. M. Barre.

In addition to these there are several cheese factories in the territories, including one each at Wolsey and Grenfell, and one near Moose Jaw. Any names omitted will be published, if furnished this journal.

**Lumber Cuttings.**

The lumber cut on Lake Winnipeg this season is placed at about 7,000,000 feet, valued at \$13 per thousand feet. A considerable quantity of ties have also been cut on the lake.

Notwithstanding the recent death of Hon. J. G. Ross, of Quebec, the Ross-McLaren mill project will go on. It is understood that the construction of the big mill at Westminster, B. C., will be commenced at once.

"A New York firm are about to begin to handle in New York Oregon cedar shingles. Of course this means that the shingles are to be shipped something like 3,500 miles, but the dealers are confident that the shingle will commend itself to the public and that it can be successfully sold in competition with shingles not so good, which may be manufactured nearer the field of consumption. The Oregon cedar shingle as nearly approaches perfection as anything in the shingle line that is made, and it need be no matter of surprise if it makes headway among the purchasers, even in the New York market."

The above from the *Mississippi Valley Lumberman*, will give some idea of what can be done in shipping British Columbia shingles eastward. The British Columbia shingles are equal in every respect to the Oregon article, and if the latter can be sent to New York, British Columbia shingles should be able to find a profitable market in Eastern Canada. No doubt all that is required is a reasonable rate of freight from the C. P. R. British Columbia cedar shingles now find a ready sale all over Manitoba and the Territories.

**Prices in British Columbia**

The following were wholesale quotations at Vancouver last week: Flour, Manitoba patents, \$3.50; ditto bakers, \$6.10; Columbia Milling Co's patent, \$6.00; strong bakers, \$5.25; Oregon best roller, hbl., \$6.00; oatmeal, standard, \$2.85; granulated, \$3.00; rolled 98 lb. sack, \$3.60; potatoes, per ton, \$15 to \$17; oats, \$26; wheat, per ton, \$30; chopped feed, \$33; chopped barley, \$35; oil cake meal, \$40; bran, \$26; middlings, \$25; onions, \$1.25, per 100 lbs.; butter creamery, 30c; dairy, 15 to 25c; cheese, 12½c; eggs, fresh ranch, 50c, eastern, 35c.

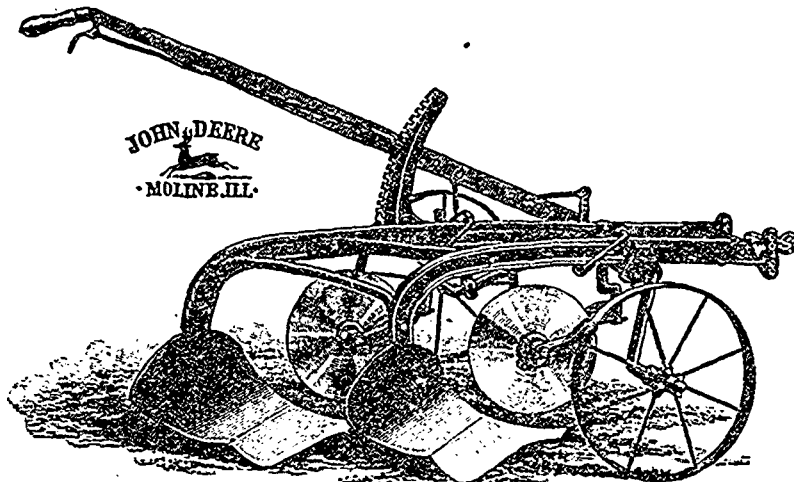
Wholesale prices at Victoria last week were as follows: Flour—Hungarian, \$6.50; strong bakers', \$5.50; royal Oregon, \$5.25; premier, \$5.40; snowflake, \$6.00; wheat, per ton, \$30.00; oats, per ton, \$22.00; barley, per ton, \$30.00; middlings, per ton, \$26.00; bran, per ton, \$24.00; ground feed, per ton, \$32.50; oil cake, per ton, \$37.50; oatmeal, per 100 lbs., \$4.25; do do, native, \$3.50; cornmeal, per 100 pounds, Canadian, \$2.75; Potatoes, per ton, \$15.00; hay, baled, per ton, \$20.00; straw, per bale, \$1.25 to \$1.50; apples, Gravenstein, per box 50 lbs., \$1.50; pears, choice Bartlett, per box, \$2.00; peaches, \$1.25; plums, Island, per lb., 2 to 3c; eggs, native, 45c, do imported, 25c; butter, native, 40c, do imported, 27c, do tub or firkin, dairy creamery, 24c; cheese, local, 15c, do Canadian, 12½ to 15c, do California, 17 to 18c; hams, local, 15c, do American, 17 to 18c; bacon, local, breakfast, 14 to 16c, do American, 16½c, do rolled, 14c; shoulders, 12½c; lard, 12½c; meats—beef, 8c; mutton, 8c; veal, dressed, 12½ to 15c; pork, 12½c; tallow, 2½c; hides, 4 to 7½c; skins, sheep, each, 25 to 35c; fish—salmon, 7c, halibut, 8c.

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**WINNIPEG.**



**Commercial Notes.**

Nearly 20,000 cans of blueberries were put up at the Sheffield, N. B., factory this season.

McLean & McRobie, of Portage Plains, have sold eight thousand bushels of wheat to the Portage Milling Company for the sum of \$8,000. Their entire crop may foot up to 18,000 bushels.

Mackerel are reported as scarce as ever, and as only about two months more of the fishing season remains, it is apparent that dealers will go into winter with little or no stock. The catch is not above half what it was last year at even date, and there are none to speak of in first hands.

The statistical position of salmon is strong, and as a good demand prevails for the Columbia River and Alaska packs prices have a very firm support, all the more because of the scarcity and high prices of lobster, mackerel, etc. The available supply of Alaska salmon is very light, and dealers are manifesting considerable interest in the result of the season's pack, which cannot be ascertained for some little time yet. Prices remain as before.

Calgary Tribune: -Threshing is now becoming pretty general throughout the country and the yield is proving even better than was expected. Forty to fifty bushels of oats to the acre by measurement is quite common and the grain is so heavy and well filled that at least a third more may be counted. C. Grief has been threshing and his oats are going about 80 bushels to the acre and his wheat has yielded 50 bushels.

The pack of tomatoes, says a Montreal exchange, will undoubtedly be large, some dealers estimating it at nearly double that of last year, when about 18,000 cases were turned out. Some heavy contracts have been made by the canners at 25c per bushel, and some big purchases have since transpired at 15c per bushel, several lots having been picked up as low as 12½c. A few round lots of 50 to 1,500 cases have been sold at 95 to \$1, one lot of 1,000 cases selling at \$1, 3 per cent. off 30 days.

Unless the yellow-fever plague in the South shall be speedily subdued there will be very few Florida oranges in the market this winter. The fever has had such a terrifying effect on the people that enough help cannot be secured to gather the enormous crop, and the oranges are rotting on the ground. As a matter of fact the fruit could not be shipped North now, even if the crop were properly gathered, for the quarantine restrictions are so rigid. No Florida oranges will be received so long as the Fruit Exchange at Jacksonville is closed, and that will not be open until the fever shall have been stamped out.

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