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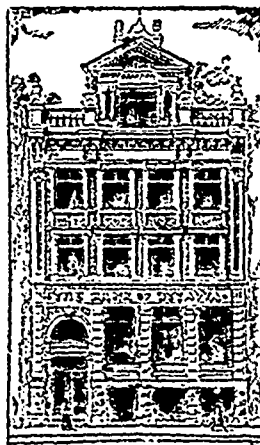
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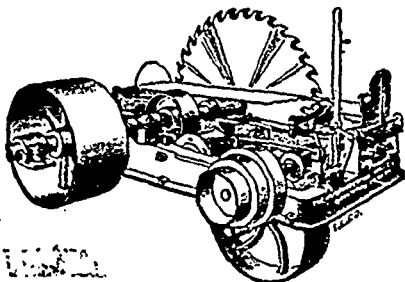
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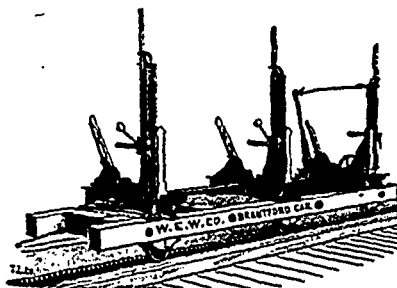
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## ACTION REQUIRED.

Recently the daily papers published the result of investigations made by Prof. Fletcher, in regard to the grasshopper invasion in a section of southern Manitoba. Prof. Fletcher declares that the hoppers are the genuine Rocky Mountain locusts, which did such destruction in Manitoba in the early days on a previous visit. He gives instructions for the extermination, or at least for the holding in check of the pest, and says if proper measures are taken by the farmers in the infected district, there will not be much danger of the hoppers spreading over the country and becoming epidemic.

It appears to the Commercial that this is a matter which should not be left to the spasmodic and haphazard attempts of individual farmers to control. We must accept Prof. Fletcher's statement that the hoppers are the dangerous species. This year they have appeared in a small area of country, but if left alone they may spread destruction over a vast area of territory in a year or two, and appear in such vast numbers as to become unmanageable. The trouble is simply local now, but it might become provincial in a year or two. It would therefore appear to be the duty of the provincial authorities to see that this invasion of the pest is promptly dealt with. There will be no danger if measures are taken now to prevent

the increase and spreading of the hoppers. The provincial department has acted wisely in having an investigation made, and now that we have a report from Prof. Fletcher, the same foresight which led to having an investigation, should induce the authorities to follow up the work and see that the threatened danger is averted.

## TALKING NONSENSE.

The Commercial has been favored with a printed copy of an article headed "Canada's Big Display." It deals with the Canadian exhibit at the Omaha exposition now going on. No doubt this article has been distributed to the press in the United States and Canada for reproduction, though it contains some glaring inaccuracies. One of the first statements is a reference to the wheat on exhibition, which is described as "No. 1 hard northern," a grade by the way which we have never yet heard of in this country. It is further said that this grade of wheat is produced all over Canada at the rate of thirty-eight to forty-five bushels per acre, all of which, everybody knows, is perfect rot. We are next told that "Commissioner Myers says that the Dominion can supply breadstuffs for all the nations of the earth. If the Canadian Commissioner in charge of the exhibit is responsible for these absurd statements, as would appear from the reading of the article, he should be called down. He appears to be thoroughly out yankeeing, the Yankee in "blowing." We did not read beyond the first paragraph of the article referring to wheat, and if it goes on at the same rate all the way through, it will certainly be surprising to Canadians who may read it.

## BUTTER.

A great change has come over the butter situation in Manitoba within a few years, due to the development of the factory system here. A few years ago the butter trade was the bane of the country merchants. The dairy butter, then almost exclusively made throughout the country, was handled by the general merchants, and the trade was considered a very unprofitable one. It was a frequent theme amongst merchants what to do with or how to get rid of the butter trade. The average quality of the butter was poor, and the handling of it was generally a losing business for the merchants. At a retailers' convention in Winnipeg a number of years ago, a large portion of the time was given to the discussion of the butter question, and from the remarks of those present one would have been led to believe that the merchants would have gladly wash-

ed their hands of the butter business, if any other way could have been found for handling the trade. But there was no way out of it. There were no cash buyers in the country towns for the butter, and when their customers brought them the stuff they had to take it regardless of quality. At the convention, held in March, 1890, the following resolution was passed:

"That this convention strongly advise the establishment of creameries as the best solution of the butter question; that until creameries can be established (to relieve the merchants of handling the butter), a higher price should not be paid for butter than it will realize in the wholesale market, and that the system of supplying tubs to customers be discontinued; and that butter be not taken on due or past due accounts."

We give this resolution as a bit of history of the butter trade in Manitoba. The words included within the brackets, in the resolution, are ours.

Now the scene is all changed. This year at many points the merchants have been scrambling over each other in their eagerness to buy the farmer's butter, and in many cases remarkably high prices have been paid, compared with the wholesale value of the commodity in receiving and consuming markets. At some points where creameries have been located the prices paid to farmers for dairy butter have been higher than farmers would receive for creamery butter, after cost of making was deducted. This has led to considerable rivalry with the creameries, and has made it difficult for the latter to please their patrons.

The cause of the change is no doubt due to a large extent to the establishment of creameries. The average quality of the butter made has been greatly improved, and it is more readily saleable for shipment. The starting of creameries has stopped a large make of bad dairy butter, while the reduced quantity and improved quality of the latter has led to a better demand for the dairy article.

While this keen competition for dairy butter in the country may be considered a good thing in one sense, it would be a great mistake to have the creamery industry destroyed by the high prices paid for dairy butter. It would put the butter trade back in the same old condition that it was in some years ago. It will be better for the reputation of the country to have as much butter made in the creameries as possible. There will be enough dairy butter made at points not accessible to creameries, to supply the demand for such grades. So far as the merchants are concerned, it would seem in their interest to allow the farmer to sell his milk or cream to the factories and pay the proceeds in cash.

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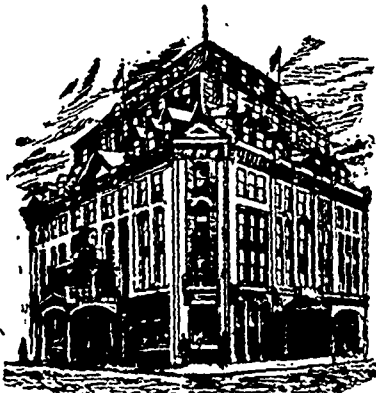
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The feature of the returns is shown in the fact that our exports to Great Britain enormously exceed our imports therefrom, while exactly the opposite is true in the case of the United States. The returns further show that our exports to the United States have declined, notwithstanding our great increase in imports from the latter country. Our trade with the United States is of a very unprofitable nature, viewed in a general sense. It is largely raw material which we sell that country, and even of this class of goods our sales are small compared with our purchases. The balance of trade is therefore enormously against us in our dealings with the republic. This situation should tell in our favor at the Quebec conference, which will discuss the various phases of international relationship, and should make the United States commissioners disposed to deal liberally with us.

Our purchases of goods from the United States are to a considerable extent manufactures which could be made at home, while the republic, by protective and prohibitive duties, has ground down its imports from Canada to the very finest point. What is purchased from us is largely raw materials, upon which a minimum amount of labor has been expended, and which go to build up our neighbor's manufacturing industries. In just one item alone—that of pulp wood—we are sending an enormous quantity of our valu-

able raw material to the United States, where it is manufactured and sent to foreign countries, to compete against our own export. It is to be hoped the United States commissioners will see how unreasonable the present situation is, and be willing to agree to an arrangement which will be fairer to this country. It is worthy of note here, that the last tariff revision in this country has greatly encouraged imports from the United States, while the last tariff revision in the latter country was a severe blow to our export trade to the republic.

### LAKE MANITOBA.

The Dominion government has evidently decided to go on with the work of enlarging the outlet of Lake Manitoba at Fairford. The Commercial some time ago published a series of articles on this work, showing certain strong objections to the undertaking. It seems a matter for regret that greater public interest has not been taken in this matter. The object of the work is to provide against the flooding of lands around Lake Manitoba, by increasing the outlet capacity of the lake, which at present is somewhat circumscribed. The outlet of Lake Manitoba is by the Fairford river into Lake St. Martin. It is claimed, however, by competent authority, that the increasing of the outlet capacity into Lake St. Martin will result in flooding a large area of land about the latter lake. Thus the difficulty will simply be removed from one location to another. A sort of robbing Peter to pay Paul. If the outflow to Lake St. Martin is increased, it is also claimed that work for the increasing of the outflow from Lake St. Martin to Lake Winnipeg should be undertaken at the same time, and thus prevent the flooding of lands around the former lake. The government, however, evidently does not intend to undertake the latter work, which, it is understood, would be a much more expensive undertaking than making the cut from Lake Manitoba to Lake St. Martin.

An alternative plan has been proposed, which was fully explained in The Commercial in the series of articles referred to. This plan was to leave the Fairford river outlet alone and cut a canal across to the Assiniboine river from the southern end of Lake Manitoba. All the advantages, so far as the controlling of the level of the lake is concerned, could be secured by cutting the canal to the Assiniboine river, while there would be no flooding of lands in any other locality by adopting the latter plan. The canal, it is claimed, would not cost as much as to provide a proper outlet by the Fairford river and thence to Lake Winnipeg. It would run through a closely settled district, where it would

be of great value to the country, and would also provide water-power at a point where it could be utilized to good advantage. The canal would also increase the flow of the Assiniboine river, rendering the latter stream more valuable for purposes of navigation, and further providing for an enormous water power at Winnipeg. Engineers who are familiar with the country, favor the Lake Manitoba route, as the best way of reaching the North Saskatchewan river with an all water system from Winnipeg. The proposed canal at the south end of the lake would, therefore, become about the most important work in the opening up of a vast system of inland navigation.

A few years ago great interest was taken in the construction of works at Winnipeg to utilize the water power of the Assiniboine river here. At one time the agitation over this matter was so keen that the city was on the verge of carrying out the necessary work. Latterly the matter appears to have fallen out of sight completely. It seems a great pity that the city council and the board of trade have allowed the opportunity to slip by of trying to induce the government to adopt the Assiniboine river canal plan as a means of controlling the water level of Lake Manitoba. As it is, this matter, of such great importance to Winnipeg and Manitoba, has been allowed as it were to go by default. A few years ago, as stated, the city was ready to plunge into the water power scheme alone. Now, when a favorable opportunity offered of having an important part of the work carried out by the government, not a voice has been heard in the matter.

### A Crop Estimate.

Hon. S. C. Wood, of Toronto, manager of the Freehold Loan and Savings Co., who has spent two weeks driving through the principal agricultural settlements of Manitoba, estimates the average wheat yield at 18 to 20 bushels per acre. He says:

"I might say that the amount of crop struck by hail was much less than I had expected to see from reports that reached the east. Frost has not injured the crop. We saw no damage by frost even on the tenderest vegetables in all our journey."

"Contrary to some statements, oats will be a good average crop. The stories about no oats are fictions as far as the country we saw is concerned. There is evidently not as much flax as usual this year though we saw some good fields in Southern Manitoba."

Mr. Wood has made a trip of inspection annually throughout the wheat fields of Manitoba for many years, and the experience thus gained places him among the experts in estimating standing crop.

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### The Lumbermen's Excursion.

In response to an invitation from the wholesale lumber dealers and manufacturers of Western Canada, issued some weeks ago, on Monday afternoon, Aug. 15th, at 4.30, the boat express which pulled out of the C. P. R. depot, Winnipeg, carried a large party of the retail lumber dealers of Manitoba and the Territories on their way to take part in an outing on the waters of and tributary to the Lake of the Woods. This is the third time that the lumber manufacturers have thus entertained their retail friends and the numbers of those who responded to the invitation was proof of the growing popularity of the excursions and of the abilities of the wholesale men to entertain.

Arrived at Rat Portage the excursionists, to the number of 125, embarked on the steamship Keenora, by long odds the finest boat now plying upon the waters of the Lake of the Woods and modeled, by the way, on precisely the same lines as the C. P. R. lake boats, and after a couple of hours spent in social intercourse among themselves and with the many Rat Portage friends who gathered to see



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them off, at midnight, amid a blaze of fireworks and the tuneful music of the Rat Portage brass band which accompanied the excursion, cast off from the dock and entered upon what to many of the participants, as they afterwards expressed it, was the most enjoyable outing of their lives. The capacity of the steamer was taxed to its utmost to provide sleeping accommodation for everybody, but after a great deal of good-natured chaffing and competition for the best places, the boat's officers succeeded in providing for everybody, and those who wanted to went to bed. A few of "the boys" proposed to stay up and entertain themselves after a fashion of their own and unmindful of the muttered threats of those who were kept from sleeping by the row they made, proceeded to have a good time.

The first dawn of the morning found many of the excursionists on their feet again and by the time the vessel had reached the Big Traverse, which she did about 6 o'clock, the decks were well filled with sightseers. The weather was rough and as soon as the long swell of the big sheet of water began to catch the boat some of the most

susceptible ones began to get a little white around the gills. One by one they silently stole away to the state-rooms or the lower decks where they could give free vent to their feelings to the great amusement of those who were fortunate enough to escape that bugbear of all poor sailors—mal de mer. The trip across the Traverse was delightful to those who could stand the motion of the boat without experiencing any uncomfortable feelings.

About 8.30 the light house, and later the low-lying lands which mark the mouth of Rainy River, appeared to view and in a short time the vessel entered upon its comparatively calm waters, and breakfast was then announced.

From the mouth of Rainy River to its headwaters at Fort Francis is a distance of eighty miles, and the writer can truthfully say that there is not an uninteresting mile in its whole length. The river is wide and presents an unusually majestic appearance. The trees and scrub with which its banks are lined, where they have not been cleared away by settlers, grow right down to the waters' edge and when the waters are smooth, as is nearly always the case, it is sometimes hard, so perfectly are the shadows thrown, to tell exactly where the water ends and the banks begin. The Canadian side of the Rainy River, as no doubt many of the readers are aware, is pretty well settled and numerous little villages and stopping places are passed during the trip along the river. In some places the country is settled for as much as ten miles back from the river. The land along this river, when it is cleared, is reputed to be rich as any in the world for agricultural purposes. Certainly the appearance of the crops which were just being cut in some places at the time of this excursion gives evidence of the truth of this assertion. Grain stood easily five feet high and the heads and berries were remarkably rich and sound looking. But this is digressing a little.

At Emo, one of the principal points on the river the boat stopped for a little while and the excursionists were given an opportunity to go ashore and stretch themselves. Embarking again, the journey was continued and hour after hour slipped away in unalloyed enjoyment of some of the best scenic effects to be found anywhere until evening when just as the shades of night began to shut out the details of the scenery from view the rear of Couchiching falls broke upon the ears of the party and Fort Frances suddenly appeared to view. Landing the party spent a little while in visiting the various points of interest, the famous but unfinished locks, appearing to attract the most attention, and then tired and happy betook themselves to bed—with some exceptions in the latter case. The orders were for a six o'clock start in the morning, and some of the boys aforementioned seemed to think the only way to be sure of being up that early was to stay up all night, and of course they had to amuse themselves. They did this by holding a pow-wow and free-and-easy in the salon of the boat to the consternation of those who wanted to sleep. The brass drum belonging to the band was made to do duty for a tom-tom and in addition to "the boys" several of the most dignified gentlemen of the party acted as chief mourners. This is, of course, a secret. After the singing of the Highland fling the meeting adjourned.

Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock all hands having been reported safely on board the return trip was begun. This proved to be even more enjoyable than the trip out. The sun shone brightly all day and the water was as smooth as a mirror. The beautiful Manitou and Long Sault rapids were seen to advantage on the return and the interest while the good boat was shooting them was intense. Part of the return trip was through the part of the Lake of the Woods, which had been traversed in the dark on the way out and this with its innumerable and always beautiful islands was a new source of delight during the closing hours of the return trip. At nine o'clock on Wednesday morning Rat Portage was reached and the party disembarked in the presence of a large crowd, which had gathered to greet them. This practically ended the trip and the party broke up at Rat Portage some returning west by the boat train while others remained over to spend a few days in Rat Portage.

Before the Keenora docked at Rat Portage a general meeting of the excursionists was convened on the deck of the steamer and Mr. J. L. Campbell, M. P. P. of Melita, on behalf of the Re-



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tailors Association after a few felicitous remarks, presented an address to the representatives of the wholesale association present, expressing the thanks of the party for the very pleasant outing which had been provided by them and also expressing thanks to the railway companies who had provided free transportation, the officers of the boat for their exceedingly courteous treatment of them and to the Rat Portage brass band which had accompanied the party and provided a large share of the amusement. Mr. J. C. Graham responded for the wholesale lumbermen in his usual good-natured vein and said his only regret was that they had not been able to invite the gentlemen to bring their wives along with them and expressed a hope that the next time this would be found possible. It was only a question of accommodation that prevented them doing it this time. Mr. Shaw, of the C. P. R. traffic department, who accompanied the excursion, replied for the company which he represented, and Mr. Macdonald, for the M. & N. W. Co. Capt. Thompson, who commands the Keenora made an exceedingly happy



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speech on behalf of the boat's company, and Mr. J. B. Mathers, of Glenboro, president of the Retail Lumbermen's Association emphasized what Mr. Campbell had said for the guests.

A graceful act on the part of the excursionists was the presentation of a purse to the band as a mark of appreciation of its services. A jollier crowd of musicians never gathered together and they were indefatigable in their efforts to amuse the party.

The captain of the boat in his speech to the party expressed a hope that they would come back again another year for a trip over the lake collectively or individually, and many of the company expressed an intention of doing this. Certainly this trip on the Keenora is one of the most enjoyable short outings from the prairie lands of the west that could possibly be devised. The change of air, scenery and environment is so complete that it leaves nothing to be desired in that line. The lead of the lumbermen might well be followed by other trade associations of Western Canada and yearly excursions of this nature inaugurated. Nothing could possibly be devised which is better adapted for rubbing off the sharp corners which are bound to appear as a result of the keen business competition of these times than an outing such as this when business for a time is thrown aside and men who ordinarily have no opportunity whatever of showing their business fellows that they have a social side to their nature can hobnob with these in the most friendly sort of away.

As regards the arrangements for this excursion they were all made by the manufacturing lumbermen, who are comprised in the following companies:

The Rat Portage Lumber Co., Ltd., the Keewatin Lumbering & Mfg. Co., Ltd., the Savanne Lumber Co., Ltd., Graham, Horne & Co., the B. C. Mills Timber & Trading Co., Ltd., the Brunette Saw Mill Company, Ltd., the Pacific Coast Lumber Company, Ltd. The following gentlemen acted as the committee of arrangements for these companies: J. C. Graham, A. F. E. Phillips.

The different railway companies doing business in the west were exceedingly kind to the excursionists and furnished free transportation to Rat Portage and return from all points. The C. P. R. and M. & N. W. companies took a special interest in the idea and were represented personally by Messrs. Shaw and McDonald.

The company operating the Keenora was also particularly solicitous for the comfort of the party. Mr. D. C. Graham, their travelling passenger and freight agent, personally accompanied the excursion and attended to the comfort of the party. His knowledge of the route and of the points of interest passed was freely used for their information and entertainment.

Following is a complete list of the gentlemen who composed the party, 125 in all, arranged according to their places of residence, alphabetically:

Alexander, J. Forman, Altona; Peter Schwartz, J. Schwartz; Austin, F. Avery; Binscarth, F. McPherson; Boissevain, E. W. Plummer, T. Nichol, E. Nichol; Brandon, R. H. O'Hara, J. H. Hughes; Broadview, W. C. Thornburn; Carnduff, W. A. Smith; Carberry, W. W. Ireland, J. M. Nelleen; Carman, J. McClain, J. E. Campbell; Cartwright, R. J. C. Stead; Coarwater, W. Cranston; Crystal City, J. Con-

way; Cypress River, A. R. Stevens; Dauphin, J. Shaw, F. Shaw; Deloraine, J. Boyd, J. W. Lochhead; Douglas, R. Conn; Elva, A. J. Archibald; Elm Creek, Jos. Rhm. Emerson, J. A. Badgley; Elkhorn, W. C. Van Nostrand; Fleming, J. Sharpe; Fort William, F. Robinson; Foxwarren, Thos. Leese; Franklin, A. Doell; Glenboro, J. B. Mathers; Grenfell, J. W. Faulkner; Grtna, F. Freese; Griswold, A. D. Chisholm, Hartney, D. Leckie; Hilton, C. Brown; Holmfield, W. Sellars; Holland, F. Dagg, J. McCutcheon; Keewatin, R. A. Mather; Killarney, J. McNaughton; La Riviere, T. Rutherford; Mantou, J. Davidson; Meita, R. Shearer, J. L. Campbell; Minnolosia, T. A. Cuddy; Miami, A. W. Shaw; Morden, A. M. Stewart, D. W. McMillan, J. J. Lane; Moose Jaw, H. McDougall, J. Simpson; Morris, G. F. Birney; Moosomin, John McGuire; McGregor, Geo. H. Stacey; Napinka, J. E. Gaudin; Newdale, Wm. Irwin; Norman, M. C. Flate; Plum Coulee, L. Marks, Geo. Wagner; Portage la Prairie, M. McDonald, G. B. Housser, F. L. Anstruthers, W. Armstrong, J. M. Taylor, W. Bell, C. Burley, W. Burley, A. Macdonald; Port Arthur, R. Vigers; Qu'Appelle, B. Harvey, H. H. McCaul; Rapid City, J. White; Rat Portage, W. Robertson; Rathwell, J. Caswell; Regina, C. Willoughby; Reston, J. Busby; Rosenfeldt, D. Stewart; Roland, R. McDonald; Russell, J. J. Moon; Saltecoats, J. E. Parrott; Savanne, J. Ferron, E. W. Hegan; Selkirk, J. W. Jones; Sewell, T. Kellett; Shoal Lake, J. Rennie, E. Greenshaw; Somerset, J. P. Allaire; Souris, J. A. Ovas, J. H. Patrick; St. Boniface, J. A. F. Beau; Stockton, H. J. Badham; Strathclair, W. Reid; Sidney, J. McElrea; Sutherland, R. McGee; Thornhill, J. Broadbent; Treherne, J. K. Robson; Virden, J. F. Frame; Winnipeg, G. Shaw, H. Byrnes, E. Parker, G. O. Aukbrooke, A. H. Bailey, W. Bell, John Dick, E. A. Blow, G. W. Murray, Geo. Campbell, T. D. Robinson, A. Black, Geo. Lister, D. Sinclair, A. F. E. Phillips, J. C. Graham, John Love; Winkler, J. Dyck, J. P. Sau, J. Friesen; Wolseley, John Hanbury.

The following gentlemen whose addresses were not given are also registered: J. A. Thompson, P. A. McIntosh, J. Thompson.

Note—We were not able to get photo in time to have engravings made for further contemplated illustrations with this article.

### Government Crop Report.

The official crop report of the Manitoba government was issued on Wednesday. The principal feature of the August crop bulletin is the preliminary estimate of the yields of the various crops. The average yield of wheat is placed at 17.41 bushels per acre. It varies from 13.8 in the southwestern districts to 21.2 in the Red river valley. On this estimate the total crop of the province would be 25,913,155 bushels.

The oat crop is placed at 35.02 bushels per acre, making a total crop of 18,029,944 bushels. Barley 29.17 bushels per acre, making a total yield of 4,611,314 bushels. Flax seed, 14 bushels per acre and a total yield of 350,000 bushels. The total yield of all grain crops, on this estimate, is therefore approximately, 50,000,000 bushels.

The August estimate of yields for last year was: Wheat, 16.49 bushels; oats, 26.73 bushels; barley, 23.8 bushels; flax, 15 bushels per acre. The oat crop therefore shows a great improvement over last year.

### The Crops.

Ealdur Gazette: Crops here this year are the best we have seen since 1895.

Selkirk Journal: The crops are the best here that we have had for two years.

The Bennett Bros., a few miles north of Carberry, had 200 acres of wheat cut by the end of last week.

Emerson, Aug. 17.—The crop in this district are exceedingly good, and an average of thirty bushels is expected.

Qu'Appelle Progress: If the weather remains fine another week the best harvest this section has ever seen will be safe.

F. W. Young, manager of the Union bank, Glenboro, states that the grain north and west of the town, was about all cut, the first of this week. The yield will be heavy.

Pierson, Man., Aug. 18.—North of town the farmers are jubilant, most of them having finished cutting the best crop they have had in years. South the crops are later.

A bad hail storm was reported from La Salle on Wednesday, destroying the uncut crop in its path, four to five miles wide. About half the grain was cut previous to the storm.

Edmonton, Alberta, Aug. 13.—Some barley and wheat have been cut, but harvest will not be general before the middle of next week. There are individual farmers who will have bigger crops this year than last, but the average is inferior to last year.

Wheat cutting had begun on Aug. 15 at Indian Head, Assa., but would not be general till the first of next week. The aggregate yield of grain in the district will be much larger than in any previous year.

Prince Albert, Aug. 18.—The grain has filled out well, and the crop is, as a rule, heavy, and if we are now favored with from ten days to two weeks of warm, bright weather, one of the best harvests in a number of years will be safely secured.

Bird's Hill, Winnipeg district, Aug. 14.—Harvest has commenced here; quite a number of farmers are cutting wheat and barley. The yield will be large this year for all kinds of grain. The root crops promise large yields.

Marquette, Aug. 19.—Harvesting is two weeks ahead of last year, and wheat is a much better crop. Wheat cutting is well advanced. Frank Robertson finished his wheat cutting on the 18th inst.

### Grocery Trade Notes.

Late advices from Smyrna confirm previous reports that the fig crop will be light.

Advices from Vancouver early in the week said that the salmon run on the Fraser river was disappointing, and the canneries were all closing down.

George E. Tuckett & Co., tobacco manufacturers, of Hamilton, Ontario, are building a five story addition to their factory to be used in manufacturing tobacco from Canadian leaf.

The New York Journal of Commerce says: California loose muscatel raisins are in a strong position. All advices from the coast are to the effect that the syndicate is in control and notwithstanding the prospect of a large crop prices will be steadily maintained. No prices have yet been made by the combination.

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Week ended August 11, 1898	.....	\$1,586,524
Corresponding week, 1897	.....	1,754,456
1895	.....	808,541

Following shows the bank clearings at Winnipeg by months, for three years:

	1898	1897	1896
January	.....6,347,168	5,009,819	4,977,210
February	.....5,517,000	3,851,000	4,052,000
March	.....5,967,000	4,289,000	4,286,000
April	.....6,140,000	4,104,000	4,032,000
May	.....8,683,374	5,014,786	4,216,201
June	.....7,399,000	5,531,000	4,691,000
July	.....6,316,235	5,616,603	4,651,277

### FINANCIAL NOTES.

A Union bank block will be erected at Neepawa, Man.

D. R. Wilkie, general manager of the Imperial bank, was in the city last week. He will visit the Pacific coast before returning east.

J. Siegel, late of the Hamburg Packet company, Montreal, has been appointed manager of the branch of the Union Bank of Canada, of Grenville, Man.

The bid of G. A. Stinson & Co., of Toronto, at \$1.03 1-2, was accepted for Portage la Prairie school debentures, bearing interest at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent.

Hon. S. C. Wood, general manager of the Freehold Loan & Savings Co., and John Russell, local manager, have been making a tour of the province, inspecting the grain fields.

The Edinburg-American Land Mortgage company, limited, with headquarters in Edinburg, Scotland, has been licensed to transact business in British Columbia, as has likewise the new Golden British Columbia company, limited, with headquarters in London, England.

A new trust company has been established at Toronto, called the National Trust Company of Ontario \$1,000,000 of stock is being offered at 125, by A. E. Ames & Co., Toronto. The list of provincial directors contains the names of many leading men in financial and commercial circles who are known throughout the Dominion.



## INSURANCE

### DANGERS OF ELECTRIC WIRES.

An electric wire in the Hudson's Bay Co.'s store, Winnipeg, came in contact with a gas pipe. The electric current burnt a hole through the pipe, and the gas which streamed out was soon in a blaze. The damage done was slight, though the fire department was called out, so serious did the matter look. This occurred on Monday morning. How it happened when the store was closed and no one present, another mysterious and probably dis-

astrous fire would have been the result. There certainly would seem to be great need of some close system of inspecting electric wires. They are no doubt the cause of many mysterious fires.

### INSURANCE NOTES.

The fire, water and light committee of the Winnipeg city council have recommended the appointment of an inspector of electric light wires in buildings.

Wm. McCabe, managing director of the North American Life, spent a few days in Winnipeg and was greatly pleased with the apparent prosperity prevailing here. He went west the first of the week accompanied by Mr. McBride, local manager for the company.

### Coming Back.

There are hundreds of residents of the west who will be pleased to hear that Mr. Joseph Tasse formerly of the Reliance Cigar Factory, Montreal, has once more started business in the manufacture of cigars, this time associated with Mr. Clovis St. Louis, the house being designated the Joseph Tasse Cigar factory, located at 29 St. Peter street, a few steps from the St. Anne's market. The factory is now at work, and among other brands of goods being turned out the well known "Flor de Bahama" so popular in this country, is receiving full attention, the new firm having secured the sole right for Canada to make this high grade cigar. The factory is fitted up with every modern appliance for the manufacture of fine goods, and will doubtless take its place among the leading concerns of its class in the Dominion. It is unnecessary to state that the new firm will not neglect the field in the west, and during the next few weeks Mr. Tasse himself expects to be in the country shaking hands with his old friends here, and no doubt doing a business as extensive as he did in by-gone years. This last fact is to some extent corroborative of the old saying, "Chickens come home to roost."

### Canned Salmon.

The open season for packing sock-eye salmon (the principal packing variety) closed on the Fraser river on Thursday. The pack has been a failure, amounting, it is said, to less than 200,000 cases. The canners decided not to ask the government for an extension of the open season, but instead they will ask that the season for packing coho salmon be opened ten days earlier than usual. The pack of the latter variety is not unusually large. Last year the total Fraser river pack was \$40,000 and the total British Columbia pack, including other rivers, was 1,040,000 cases. The Fraser river pack this year will be the smallest since 1882, when it was \$0.215 cases. In other years since 1882 the pack has ranged from 357,000 to 457,000 cases.

A Winnipeg broker representing one of the principal packers has received word that his company will fill only 50 per cent of the orders taken, the orders having been taken subject to pack, and instructions have been given to stop selling. Packers who have any salmon to sell now, will hold the goods very firm.



## TENDERS.

Sealed tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Superstructure Edmonton Bridge," will be received at this office until Tuesday, 13th September next, for the construction of a railway and general traffic bridge at Edmonton, N. W. T., according to plans and a specification to be seen at the office of F. K. Gibson, Esq., town clerk, Edmonton; at the office of W. T. Gouin, resident engineer, Winnipeg; at the office of O. Desjardins, clerk of works, post office building, Montreal, and at the department of public works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

An accepted bank cheque, payable to the order of the minister of public works for seven thousand dollars (7,000.00) must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party decline the contract or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

E. F. E. ROY,  
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,  
Ottawa, August 12th, 1898.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the department will not be paid for it.



## TENDERS.

Sealed tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Supplementary Outlet, Lake Manitoba," will be received at this office until Monday, 12th September next, for the excavation of a supplementary outlet for increasing and regulating the outflow of the waters of Lake Manitoba through Fairford river, according to a plan and a specification to be seen at the office of W. F. Gouin, Esq., resident engineer, Winnipeg, Man., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

An accepted bank cheque, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, for four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party decline the contract or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

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**Manitoba**

Sibbald & Co., grocers, Winnipeg, have assigned.

Der Northwestern Publishing Co. Winnipeg, has been incorporated.

D. McCaskill, confectionery, Winnipeg, is in trouble with the bailiff.

Jno. Kenealy, late of Napluka, will open the Royal hotel at Plumias.

J. W. Whitman & Co. have already closed their creamery for the season.

A number of business premises and residences are being erected at Melita.

Misses Edwards, millinery, Hartney, Man., are succeeded by Misses Magwood.

James Nicholson, of the Arctic Ice company, Winnipeg, died suddenly on Monday.

Donald Frazer, wholesale clothing, Winnipeg, returned this week from an eastern trip.

Currie & Burland have bought out the implement business of David Gibson, of Souris.

Andrews & Robinson, contractors, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership, William T. Andrews continuing.

Matt Gamble and W. A. Perry have bought the Commercial stables at Neepawa, Man., and will open in the livery and feed business.

D. R. Dingwall, jeweller, Winnipeg, has returned from an extended business trip to Europe, during which he made heavy purchases with a view to extending his business.

Winnipeg was deserted on Tuesday and so many of the business places were closed that it was practically a holiday in the city, owing to the caterers' excursion to Rat Portage.

The general store carried on in Dauphin for a number of years by D. McIntosh, has been disposed of to W. Philip, late of the firm of Dill & Philip, of Mocosmin. Mr. McIntosh will open out shortly in another branch of business.

Arthur Congdon, wholesale dealer in warm winter footwear, Winnipeg, is finding his trade so enlarged that he has been obliged to increase the capacity of his premises. He has taken two more stores in the Balfour block, corner Horie and McDermott street east, making three stores which he now occupies in this block. A portion of the corner store will be fitted up for office and sample rooms. Mr. Congdon has received word that his full stock of Dolge felt shoes, for which article he is the Canadian agent, has been shipped from the factory, and he expects to begin filling orders early in September.

**Hardware and Paint Trade.**

The sharp advance of 3c per gallon in the prices of turpentine, noted in our telegrams last week is said to be due to a recent rise of 2c at shipping points, owing to the continued heavy export demand.

A Montreal report says: Cable advices received from Belgium note an advance of 4c to 6c per barrel on cement and importers state that it is difficult to obtain supplies even at the higher figures. In sympathy with the foreign advance and the increased duty which went into force on August 1, on Belgian and German brands, importers have marked up prices 5c per barrel, with prospects of a further advance in the near future.

The Montreal Gazette says: In leads and paints the feeling continues firm. The feature of the market has been the strong foreign advices on glass, which note a further advance of two points and state that it is difficult to secure supplies at any price. In sympathy with this the Montreal market for all grades is exceedingly firm and importers state that it would cost 30c per box more than the present prices ruling here to import now, consequently the prospects are that another advance will be established in the near future.

**The Lumber Trade.**

D. Ross, of the Whitemouth mills, was in Winnipeg this week.

Three of the Rat Portage Lumber Co.'s mills were reported to be running on Monday last.

It is reported that Arch. Stewart, who operated a small saw mill at Rapid City, Man., has left for parts unknown, leaving his creditors in the lurch.

The British Columbia Mills, Timber and Trading company have their big lumber shed at Winnipeg finished, and their stock of fine lumber is now kept under cover.

Retailers will not have time to more than supply their requirements before the grain rush begins, after which there will be delay in securing the filling of orders. Prices are firm, and with no likelihood of lower quotations, and the prospects for a good fall trade, retailers can hardly make a mistake in securing a fair stock before the ear shortage sets in.

The failure of Graham, Horne & Co., Fort William, will not be felt severely in outside circles, as their miscellaneous liabilities are very small. It is said that their liabilities outside of the Bank of Montreal's claim, will not exceed \$2,000. The firm had out about ten million feet of logs this season, a considerable portion of which has been cut and the balance will no doubt be cut this season. About 6,000,000 feet of lumber are in the yard. The industry is an important one for Fort William, and it is hoped the mill will be kept running.

**The Live Stock Trade.**

B. Trotter, of Brandon, has returned from Iowa with a car load of horses. This is the eleventh car of horses the firm of Trotter & Trotter have imported since February.

G. A. Dalbridge, of Marquette, Man., has shipped a car load of milk cows to Rat Portage. This makes six car loads of cattle bought up in that locality this summer.

C. McCarthy, Maple Creek, shipped five cars of cattle to Winnipeg; J. C. Patterson shipped three cars of cattle from the same place to Mucleok; D. McLean shipped three carloads to England.

The Medicine Hat Times of August 17 says: This has been a great week for cattle shipments, several train-loads leaving this district for the old country markets. Yesterday morning what was the biggest shipment that ever left a single ranch in this locality was sent out from Gordon & Gordon's ranch—eighteen carloads. Today it is expected that fourteen carloads will be shipped from here to the old country by the owners, D. McLean, J. Hargrave, R. Mitchell, and T. McLaren. Last Thursday McDonald & Wylie shipped 90 head from

Walsh for the old country markets. On the same day J. A. Grant, of Walsh, shipped a carload of beef cattle to Winnipeg for the butchers' market.

**Grain and Milling.**

R. C. Ennis, miller, Neepawa, has rented the Rogers elevator at Carberry.

Body & Noakes, of the Winnipeg linseed oil mills, are erecting a flax warehouse at Gretna, Man.

The Ferguson and Bullock elevator at Melita is nearing completion. It will have 25,000 bushels capacity.

The Northern Elevator Co. will build an elevator at Emerson, Man., with a capacity of 25,000 bushels.

The Reston Farmers' Elevator company, at their recent annual meeting, declared a dividend of 15 per cent.

The Dominion Elevator Company and the Lake of the Woods Milling company will build elevators at Dauphin, Man. Each will have a capacity of 25,000 bushels.

**Business at Vancouver.**

Vancouver, August 22.

Dairy product prices are advancing. Flour and feed is declining. These are the features in the markets this week. Creamery butter has advanced from 19 1-2 to 20 1-2 jobbers prices for 14 pound lots, though larger lots are selling at half a cent below this price. August creamery could not be had f.o.b. in Vancouver to-day however at 20 cents. Jobbers price for carry butter has advanced from 14 and 15 to 15 and 16 cents, round lots 14 and 15 cents. Eggs are very firm at 16 to 17 cents. In fact it shows an advanced price, this price having been rather too high for last week. Good eggs are at present a scarce article in the market, owing to the limited local supply. Cheese is easier, that is the Ontario article, Manitoba cheese being held at too high a price to touch at present. Ontario cheese is now being laid down here at 9 3-4 cents and sold to the retail trade at 10 1-2 and 11 cents. Fresh meats are very firm at present prices, with a tendency to advance in price. The new crop is commencing to come in and grain prices are slumping. Flour is down 30 cents a barrel to \$5.50 and \$5.30. Jobbers claim this is too low corresponding to the price of wheat. Oats are \$26 and \$27, a slight decline, while wheat has dropped \$2 per ton, from \$28 and \$30 to \$26 and \$28. Shorts are quoted \$2 lower at \$20 and bran \$2 lower at \$18. Hay has dropped \$1 to \$12 and \$13 per ton.

The salmon industry has not been satisfactory to the canners this year, and as salmon are selling at 25 cents each a continuation of the season, though a great benefit to fishermen would be disastrous to canners. The salmon prices are, however, advanced.

The autumn number of the Delin-eator is an important one on account of the opening of the fall business. The article on insomnia and its treatment, by Dr. Grace Peckham Murray, is worthy of attention. Sharlot M. Hall continues her lessons on photography for amateurs. A new department entitled The Dressmaker is added. There is also a variety of interesting miscellaneous reading. The Delin-eator Publishing Co., 33 Richmond street west, Toronto.

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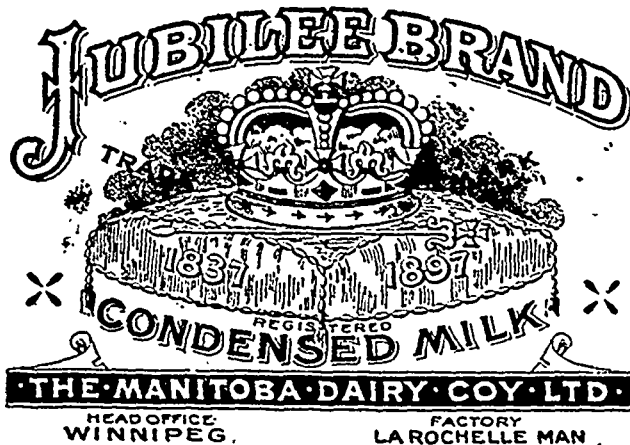
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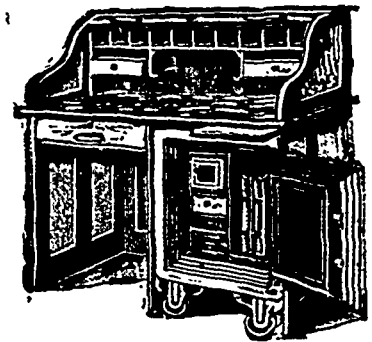
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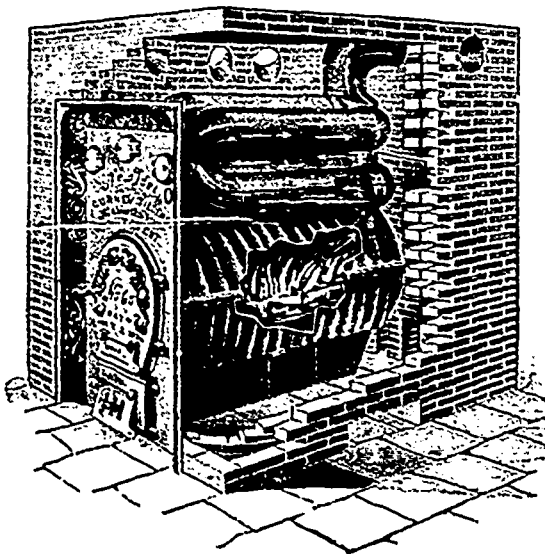


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Statistical Wheat Reports.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Montreal . . . . .	30,000
Toronto . . . . .	14,000
Kingston . . . . .	35,000
Winnipeg . . . . .	115,000
Manitoba elevators . . . . .	200,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin . . . . .	376,000

Total August 13 . . . . . 760,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on Aug. 13, were 9,892,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 22,245,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on August 1 were 2,609,000 bushels, compared with 2,247,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ended August 20, was 5,850,000 bushels, being a decrease of 1,047,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 16,729,000 bushels, two years ago 45,139,000 bushels, three years ago 35,088,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago . . . . .	487,000 bushels
Duluth . . . . .	389,000 "
Minneapolis . . . . .	1,736,000 "
New York . . . . .	273,000 "
Buffalo . . . . .	462,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 2,910,000 bushels, compared with 8,005,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 16,123,000 bushels, compared with 21,956,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on Aug. 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: August 1, 1898, 59,533,000; Aug. 1, 1897, 64,040,000; August 1, 1896, 108,331,000; Aug. 1, 1895, 140,417,000.

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets from the beginning of the crop year, August 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis . . . . .	2,639,310	1,682,810
Milwaukee . . . . .	509,295	625,722
Duluth . . . . .	182,661	1,568,983
Chicago . . . . .	1,589,459	2,413,827

Total . . . . . 4,920,155 6,291,342

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

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St. Louis . . . . .	2,123,058	3,154,242
Detroit . . . . .	959,280	864,920
Kansas City . . . . .	4,754,800	7,175,000
Total . . . . .	12,037,653	15,082,893

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

Prices as to size and color, for prime skins. Skins taken out of season range much lower:

Badger . . . . .	\$ .05	\$ .50
Bear, black . . . . .	5.00	25.00
Bear, brown . . . . .	4.00	20.00
Bear, yearlings . . . . .	2.00	8.00
Bear, grizzly . . . . .	5.00	16.00
Beaver, large . . . . .	5.00	6.50
" medium . . . . .	3.00	4.00
" small . . . . .	1.50	2.25
" cubs . . . . .	.50	1.00
" castors, per lb. . . . .	2.50	5.50
Fisher, dark . . . . .	6.00	9.00
Fisher, pale . . . . .	3.00	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large . . . . .	5.00	15.00
" cross pale . . . . .	2.50	5.00
" kitt . . . . .	.10	.50
" red . . . . .	1.00	1.60
" silver dark . . . . .	40.00	75.00
" peale . . . . .	25.00	60.00
Lynx, large . . . . .	1.50	2.00
" medium . . . . .	1.00	1.25
" small . . . . .	.50	.75
Marten, dark . . . . .	2.50	5.00
" pale or brown . . . . .	1.50	4.00
" light pale . . . . .	1.00	2.25
Mink, dark . . . . .	1.00	1.50
Mink, pale . . . . .	.75	1.25
Musquash, winter . . . . .	.04	.09
" spring . . . . .	.07	.10
Otter, dark . . . . .	6.00	10.00
Otter, pale . . . . .	5.00	8.00
Skunk . . . . .	.25	.50
Wolf, timber . . . . .	1.00	1.50
" prairie . . . . .	.40	.75
Wolverine . . . . .	1.00	3.50

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

- Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, 95@96c old wheat spot.
- Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.60; Bakers, \$2.50.
- Bran—Per ton, \$5.00.
- Shorts—Per ton, \$10.00.
- Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 29@31c.
- Barley—Feed, 25@27c per bushel.
- Butter—Dairy, Shippers buying at 10@12c, and 17@18c paid for creamery at the factory.
- Cheese—7@7½c paid to factories.
- Eggs—Buyers paying 13c net.
- Beef—City dressed, fresh, 41@5½c.
- Mutton—5@6c.
- Hogs—Dressed, 6@6½c.
- Cattle—Butchers 2@2½; export 3@3½c.
- Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.75 per 100 lbs for best bacon.
- Sheep—21@2½c off cars here.
- Hides—No. 1 green, 6½c.
- Wool, 9@9½c.

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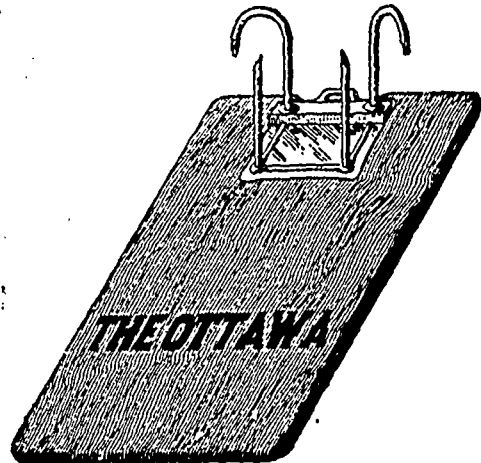
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### Crop Reports.

Below we give the weekly crop report furnished by Canadian Pacific agents to their company. This report is sent in on Monday, and is really a report for the week ended Saturday last. The report shows that at that date a large portion of the crop had been cut, and as a full week has passed since then, a much larger proportion of the crop is now in shock.

#### MAIN LINE.

**Rosser**—About 75 per cent. of wheat cutting has been done here. Threshing will start next week. Wheat shows a good sample and will yield well. No heavy rain this week.

**Reaburn**—The weather since last report has been favorable for harvesting. Wheat is about half cut. There was a heavy rain last night.

**Poplar Point**—Some farmers are through cutting; others are just starting. The grain is very uneven, that sown on spring plowing being nearly a week ahead of that sown on fall plowing. The past week has been excellent weather for ripening.

**High Bluff**—The weather has been very favorable for harvesting. About 50 per cent of the wheat has been cut. Oats and barley are about all cut. There were three hours of rain last night.

**Portage la Prairie**—The weather during the latter part of last week was exceptionally favorable for the maturing crops. Cutting is in full blast throughout the plains. About 40 per cent of the wheat has been cut. It shows a good sample. With fair weather the end of next week will see all grain in stack.

**Burnside**—Favorable weather prevailed last week. Cutting is about half done. Threshing will commence about the end of the month.

**Carberry**—The weather of the past week has been very hot and the crops ripened fast. The wheat is about half cut. The heavy rain of last night will probably cause a delay of one day. With favorable weather most of the wheat will be cut this week. No damage from frost.

**Brandon**—Owing to favorable weather wheat is maturing rapidly and the sample will be very good. Cutting has been general since the 18th inst. Heavy rains in this district have delayed harvesting a little.

**Kemnay**—About one-half the grain in this district has been cut. Delay from rain to harvests will be trifling.

**Griswold**—Wheat cutting in this district is nearing completion. The quality is very good and a fair average yield is expected. Wheat will go 15 bushels to the acre. Oats are a good crop. There were heavy rains on Saturday and Sunday last.

**Oak Lake**—Harvesting made good progress last week. The wheat is of good quality and an average yield of about 20 bushels is expected. Heavy rains have retarded operations slightly.

**Elkhorn**—The past week has been fine for harvesting. Cutting is nearly half done. Farmers report a better crop than they expected.

**Fleming**—Weather could not possibly have been finer than during the past week. Cutting is in full blast.

**Moosomin**—The weather of the past week has been most favorable for harvesting. The sample is No. 1.

**Whitewood**—Weather has been good. The crops look well and there will

be a fair yield. Cutting is beginning to be general.

**Broadview**—The past week has been warm and fine. The little rain that fell was favorable to the crops.

**Wolsley**—Wheat cutting is well advanced and will be general at the end of the week. The farmers are jubilant at the excellent yield. They say the sample is better than was expected.

**Sintaluta**—Cutting is general but wet weather has retarded progress a little.

**Qu'Appelle**—The weather during last week was very favorable. The sample of grain is excellent.

**Regina**—Weather of last week was very favorable and harvesting is in full swing. Heavy rains have delayed harvesting for a day or so.

#### WESTERN BRANCHES.

**Pipestone**—About 70 per cent of the wheat has been cut. Threshing will commence next Monday. No average has so far been done by frost. The yield will be fifteen or seventeen bushels per acre.

**Reston**—Fully fifty per cent of the wheat has been cut and nearly all the oats. All wheat should be cut by the end of the week.

**Lumsden**—The sample of grain is good. Harvesting has been delayed by heavy showers.

**Saskatoon**—The weather during the past week was fine and warm. Grain has been retarded by the heavy rains of the last few days.

**Rosthern**—Crops are coming in fast. The yield and quality will be good. Cutting will be general by the end of the week.

**Duck Lake**—The weather has been fair. Recent rains have somewhat delayed the crop and harvesting will not be general before ten days.

**Olids**—Crops are in very good condition and some farmers are cutting. Had a heavy thunder shower on Sunday and more or less rain since.

**Innisfail**—Cutting has commenced with every indication of a good average crop.

**Red Deer**—Harvesting is general and prospects are very good.

**Wetaskiwin**—Harvesting has commenced and prospects are very fair.

**Edmonton**—During the past week the weather has been warm. No frost. Harvesting will be general this week.

#### PEMBINA SECTION.

**La Salle**—Most farmers are over half through cutting. The balance of the crop is ripening fast. Some will finish cutting this week. Weather continues favorable.

**Morris**—Weather of the past week has been very warm and ripened the crop very fast. Cutting now general and a fine sample. No damage yet.

**Rosenfelt**—Wheat is about all cut. Threshing commenced last week and will be general this week. Wheat is turning out good—a fine sample and good color. Weather most favorable.

**Aitona**—Barley is all cut and seventy per cent of wheat. Samples good. Weather favorable.

**Gretna**—Forty-five per cent of the wheat is cut. Sample first class. Weather until yesterday favorable, when light showers fell.

**Plum Coulee**—Past week has been favorable for harvest. Fully 50 per cent of the grain is cut.

**Winkler**—Weather very favorable. About 65 per cent of the wheat has been cut.

**Morden**—About half the wheat cutting is done. All crops are ready to cut now. Heavy shower last night will stop cutting some to-day.

**Thornhill**—Harvesting is general, with weather very favorable. One heavy shower last night, which did no damage.

**Manitou**—Harvest is progressing nicely, about 40 per cent of the wheat and some barley cut. Weather fine except for a heavy shower Sunday night.

**Larivière**—Weather during the past week has been favorable for harvesting. About 30 per cent of the wheat is now cut. Heavy rain last night.

**Pilot Mound**—Weather of past week was clear and very fine with a shower of rain last night. Crops are being cut fast. Farmers are very short of help.

**Crystal City**—Considerable cutting has been done, weather has been very warm. There was a heavy rain last night.

**Clearwater**—Past week has been favorable for cutting. From one fourth to two-thirds of the wheat in this district is cut.

**Cartwright**—About 50 per cent of the wheat is cut. Weather of the past week has been very fine. Heavy rain last night.

**Holmfeld**—Weather favorable. Harvesting is general in the district. Ten per cent of wheat has been cut.

**Killarney**—About 40 per cent of the wheat has been cut. Good sample. Heavy showers last night.

**Ninga**—Farmers are commencing the harvest. Wheat will be an average crop. Straw is a good length. Weather has been fine with some rain.

**Boissevain**—Harvesting is general. About 30 per cent of the wheat is now cut. Weather has been favorable. Heavy rain last night.

#### SOURIS BRANCH.

**Starbuck**—Weather of the past week has been favorable for harvesting. If it continues fair wheat cutting will be finished by the end of the week. No frost reported yet.

**Elm Creek**—Wheat harvest is general in this district. During the past week weather has been favorable. An average of 25 bushels per acre is expected.

**Rathwell**—Weather of the past week has been favorable for harvesting. About 85 per cent of the crop is cut. Stook threshing will commence next week if weather continues fine. No frost reported in this district.

**Treherne**—Weather last week was hot and dry. About 65 per cent of the wheat cut and stooked. A little stacking was done last week. Threshing will be general about the last of the week. Heavy rain last night. Weather clearing and cool to-day.

**Holland**—Harvesting has been general during the past week. A few have finished cutting. Wheat is expected to average 25 bu. and oats 50 bu. per acre.

**Glenboro**—Harvesting is general. About 40 per cent of the wheat is cut. Weather favorable until last night when heavy rain fell. Cutting will be suspended for a day or two.

**Stockton**—About half the grain is cut. Threshing begins next week. Weather last week was favorable. Heavy rain fell last night.

**Methven**—Last week was favorable for harvest. Cutting is general. Heavy rain last night.

**Nesbit**—Crops in this district are well matured and harvesting is general. No damage from frost.

**Carroll**—Harvesting is now general; about 20 per cent of wheat is cut. A large yield is expected. No damage from frost.

**Souris**—Good harvest weather during past week. About 25 per cent of



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wheat is cut. Very little of crop will remain standing by first of September. A good average crop is assured.

Bartney—Weather of past week has been favorable with heavy rain Sunday night. Harvesting is now general. Sample will be good.

Napinka—Cutting is nearly all finished. Weather favorable. Stacking this week.

Elva—Wheat is about half cut; will be finished this week. Excepting some late grain no damage in this district from frost or hail. Average about 14 bushels.

Pierson—Fine harvesting weather during the past week. No damage to crops. About 35 per cent of cutting is done. Threshing will commence in about two weeks. Yield of 15 bushels expected. Oats are a fair crop.

Gainsboro—About 30 per cent of the grain is cut here. Some heavy rains fell during the week.

Carnduff—About 25 per cent of the cutting is done. Weather has been very hot during the past week.

#### ESTIMATED YIELDS.

Various estimates are given as to the probable yield of wheat on the Portage plains. The general opinion is that the average for wheat will be 20 to 22 bushels per acre, though there are some who think that this figure will be considerably increased. There are some fields of wheat on the plains which will yield over 30 bushels per acre. The crops this year are uniformly good, comparatively free of weeds, and as yet no blighted heads have been noticed, which was the prin-

cipal cause of the low average per acre of last season. Among those having fields of wheat that will produce phenomenal yields are Messrs. W. McCowan and John Brydon, and some think portions will average 35 to 40 bushels per acre. Mr. Brydon, a portion of whose crop was damaged by hail, informs a Liberal reporter that the injury will not be as serious as at first anticipated. On cutting the grain he found many of the heads had filled and matured.—Portage la Prairie Liberal.

#### Tenders.

Tenders are called to Sept. 1 for the erection of a school house near Baldur, Man.

Tenders are called up to August 25, for building a church at Cobb's Creek, Winnipeg district.

Tenders are invited up to Sept. 1 for plumbing in the new McIntyre block, also separate tenders for heating.

Tenders are asked to August 30 for the erection of a Presbyterian church at Elva, Man. Plans with W. H. Shillinglaw, Brandon.

Tenders are called, to August 29, for supplying wood and coal for the military department, Winn'peg, for the next official year.

The flour mill at Marquette, Man., will be put in operation shortly.

The Stormont cotton mill at Cornwall, Ont., are closed down with 600 hands, on account of a strike of 20 or 30 spoolers.

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Terne Plates—I C, 20 x 28, \$8.50 @ 9. Iron and Steel—Bar iron, 100 lbs., base price, \$2.05 band iron, 100 lbs., \$2.65@2.75; Swedish iron, 100 lbs, \$5.25 @6; sleigh shoe steel, 2.75@3; best cast tool steel, lb., 9@11c; imitation, Russian sheet, 7@8c; genuine Russian sheet, lb., 12@13c.

Sheet Iron—10 to 20 guage, \$3; 22 to 24 and 26 guage, \$3.25; 28 guage \$3.50.

Canada Plates—Garth and Blaina, 3.00 @ \$3.15.

Galvanized Iron—American, 20 guage, \$3.75; 22 and 24 guage, \$4; 26 guage, \$4.25; 28 guage, \$4.50 100 lbs.

Iron pipe is quoted as follows per 100 feet: 1/2 inch, \$2.50; 3/8 inch, \$2.75; 1/2 inch, \$3; 5/8 inch, \$4; 1 inch, \$5; 1 1/4 inch, \$7; 1 1/2 inch, \$8.50; 2 inch, \$11.50.

Lead—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2 to 5c.

Sheet Zinc—In casks, \$6.50 lb., broken lots \$7.00.

Solder—Half and half (guar) per lb., 14@16c.

Ammunition — Cartridges — Rim fire pistol, American discount 40 per cent; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 and 5; rim fire military, American, net list; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent, shot shells, 12 guage, \$6 @ 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 6 1/2 c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6 1/2 c. Robin Hood powder, 17 lb kegs, \$10; 4 kegs, 4 1/2 lbs, \$3; Canister, 9 oz., 60c. Loaded shells, 12 guage, soft shot, \$18 per 1,000. No. 10 guage, \$20.70 per 1,000.

Dupont Powder—Dupont Rifle FFG, 25-lb keg, \$5.00, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$2.75, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$6.60, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$8.50, cases of 48 1/2 lb canisters, \$9.25; Dupont Rifle FFG, 25 lb keg, \$5.25, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$3.00, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$7.00, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$9.00, cases of 48 1/2 lb canisters, \$9.75; Dominion Rifle, 25 lb keg, \$5.75, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$3, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$7, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$11, cases of 48 1/2 lb canisters, \$12; Sea Shooting Fg, 25 lb keg, \$6; Manitoba Sporting, 25 lb keg, \$8.00, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$4.25, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$9.00; cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$13.00; Eagle Ducking, 25 lb keg, \$11.00, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$5.75, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$12.00; Crystal Grain, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$14.00, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$17; Blasting, 25 lb keg, \$3.00. Dupont Smokeless powder, 12 1/2 lbs, \$22.00, 6 1/2 lbs, \$11.25, 3 1/2 lbs, \$5.75, 1/2 canisters, \$1.00.

Wire—Galvanized barb wire, \$2.50 per 100 lbs.; Plain wire and staples, \$3.00.

Axes—Per box, \$6@9.

Nails—Cut, keg, base price, \$2.15 for 20 to 60d., with new classification of extras; common steel wire nails, 4 1/2 @ 6 inch, \$2.35 per keg, with usual extras for smaller sizes

Horse Nails—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List price as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount of above list prices 5 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron shoes, \$4.00; steel hoes, \$4.25; Snow shoe, \$4.25 per keg.

Rope—Sisal, lb., 12c base; manilla, lb., 13 1/2 c base; cotton, 1/2 to 1/2 inch and larger, 16c lb.

Binder Twine—Sisal 11c; Manilla 11 1/2 c, Pure Manilla 12c per lb.

Building Paper—Anchor brand plain 45c; do tarred 65c; Jubilee plain 57c; do tarred 73c.

**Winnipeg Prices of Paints, Oils, Glass, etc.**

Following are close jobbing prices, as to quantity:

White Lead—Pure, \$6.50 100 lbs; No. 1, \$5.50.

Prepared Paints—Pure liquid colors, gallon \$1.15@1.25.

Dry Colors—White lead, pound, 7c; red lead, kegs, 6c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 2 1/2 c; less than barrels, 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 3 1/2 c; less than barrels, 4c; Venetian, red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 3 1/2 c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb., Paris green, 18@20c; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots, 2 1/2 c; less than barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, in casks, 3 1/2 c; less quantities 4c lb.

Varnishes—No. 1 furniture, per gallon, \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.50; elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$1.50@1.75; hard oil finish, \$1.50@2; brown Japan, \$1; house painters' gold-size Japan, \$1.50; coach painters' do., \$2 @2.25; No. 1 orange shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50.

Sundries—Glue, sheets, 15c lb; broken, 12 1/2 c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 16 @25c. Stove gasoline, case, \$4; benzine, case, \$4. Axle grease, imperial, case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, case, \$3.75; Diamond axle grease, \$2.25 case. Coal tar, barrel, \$7. Portland cement, barrel, \$4@4.25; plaster, barrel \$3.00; plasterers' hair, P. P., 85c bale. Putty, in bladders, barrel lots, 2 1/2 c lb., do., in 100 lb kegs, 2 1/2 c., do., less than barrels, lb, 3c. Alabastine, cases of 20 pkgs., \$6.50@7.50 as to color.

Window Glass—First break is quoted at \$1.80 per box of 50 feet and \$2.05 for second break.

Linseed Oil—Raw, gal., 57c; boiled, gal., 60c in barrels; less than barrels, 5c gallon extra, with additional charges for cans.

Turpentine—Pure spirits in barrels, 55c; less than barrels, gallon, 60c. An additional charge for packages for small quantities.

Oils—Range about as follows: Black oils, 25@30c gallon; clear machine oils, 27@30c; cylinder oil, 50@75c, as to quality; castor oil, 13c per lb; tanners' or harness oil, 65c; neatsfoot oil, \$1; steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 gallon.

Refined Petroleum—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 18 1/2 c; crescent, 20c; oleophene, 20 1/2 c in barrels. Car lots, 1c gallon less. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 2 1/2 c for cocene and 2 1/2 c for sunlight.

**Winnipeg Lumber Prices.**

These prices are retail quotations at Winnipeg, such as contractors and others buy at. The mills quote delivered prices at Winnipeg, plus freight to outside points.

Dimension and Timber—No. 1, 2x4 to 2x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$18.50, 18 ft, \$19.50, 20 ft, \$20.50, 22 ft, \$21.50, 24 ft, \$22.50; 3x6 to 3x12, 4x4 to 4x12, 6x6 to 6x12 and 8x8, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$20.00, 18 ft, \$21.00, 20 ft, \$22.00, 22 ft, \$23.00, 24 ft, \$24.00; 8x10 to 12x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$22.00, 18 ft, \$23.00, 20 ft, \$24.00, 22 ft, \$25.00, 24 ft, \$26.00; 2x4, 10 ft, \$20.50; 2x6 to 2x 12, 10 ft, \$18.00. No. 2 dimen-

sion, \$2.00 less than No. 1. Dimension, 26, 28 and 30 ft, \$26.00. Timber, 28, 28 and 30 ft, \$28.00. \$1.00 per M advance on each inch over 12 inch in depth and width. Tamarac dimension same price as pine. Spruce dimension at \$2.00 per M less than pine. Cull plank, all widths at \$12.00 per M. B. C. fir dimension up to 32 feet at \$28.00 per M., 33 to 40 feet, \$30.00, 41 to 60 feet \$36.00. \$1.00 per M extra for each 2 in. over 12 in. in width or depth.

Boards—1st common, red pine, \$25.00, 2nd common, \$18.50, 3rd common, \$16.50; No. 1 cull, \$13.00, No. 2 cull, \$9.00; spruce, \$16.50. \$1.00 per M extra for stock boards. \$2.00 per M less for 6 to 8 ft. and under. \$1.00 per M less for 10 ft. No. 1 box, 14 in. and up, \$30.00, No. 2 box boards, 14 in. and up, \$23.00, Extra dressing \$2.00 per M.

Siding, Flooring and Ceiling—2nd, 4, 5 and 6 inch, white pine, \$36.00; 3rd, 4, 5 and 6 inch, white pine, \$28.00; 1st and 2nd, 4, 5 and 6 inch red pine, \$30.00; 3rd, 4, 5 and 6 inch red pine, \$25.00; 4th, 4, 5 and 6 inch, red and white, \$20.00; Cull siding, red and white, \$16.00; B.C. No. 1 and No. 2 edge grain flooring, 3, 4 and 6 inch, \$32.00. \$2.00 per M advance for dressing both sides.

Bevel Siding—No. 1 white, pine, \$26.00; No. 2 red and white, \$23.00.

Shiplap—Pine, 6 inch, \$18.00, 8 and 10 inch, \$20.00; Spruce, 8 and 10 inch, \$19.00, 6 inch, \$18.00; cull shiplap 8 and 10 inch, \$17.00; do., 6 inch, \$14.00.

Shingles—B. C. cedar, per M, No. 1, \$2.75, No. 2, \$2.50; B.C. cedar dimension shingles, \$4.00; B.C. cedar dimension band sawed, \$5.00.

Lath—Pine lath, No. 1, per M, \$3.00. No. 2, \$2.50.

Finishings—1 1/2, 1 1/4 and 2 inch—White pine, 1st and 2nd clear, \$65.00, 3rd clear, \$55.00, selects, \$45.00, shops, \$36.00; red pine, clear, \$40.00, selects, \$32.00; B.C. cedar clears, \$50.00; do., over 12 inch, \$55.00; B. C. fir edge grain No. 1 stepping, \$45.00; No. 2, \$40.00; B.C. fir, flat grain, No. 1, \$37.00; No. 2 do., \$32.50; B.C. finishing up to 12 in., \$37.50; do., over 12 inch, \$42.50. \$5 per M advance on 2 1/2 inch and thicker. One inch—White pine, 1st and 2nd clear, \$55.00, 3rd clear, \$48.00, selects, B, \$38.00, selects, C, \$30.00; red pine, clear, \$40.00, selects, \$30.00; B.C. cedar, clear, \$50.00. B.C. fir finishing, \$37.50; do. over 12 inch, \$42.50.

Oak—Red and White—1/2 sawed, \$65.00; 1st and 2nd, 55.00 to \$65.00; common, \$40.00.

Mouldings and Base—Parting strips, 100 feet lineal, 60c; lattice, 4x1 1/2, 100 feet lineal, 75c, 4x1 1/4, 100feet lineal, 55c; window and door stop, 1 1/2 inch lineal, \$1.25, ditto, 2 inch lineal, \$1.50; 1/2 round and 3/4 cove, 75c; 1 1/2 inch mould, \$1.50; 2 inch mould, \$1.75; 2 1/2 inch mould, \$2.00; 3 inch mould, \$2.25; 3 1/2 inch mould, \$2.50; 4 inch mould, \$2.75; 4 1/2 inch mould, \$3.00; 5 inch mould, \$3.25; 6 inch mould, \$4.00; 5 inch window stool, 1 1/2 \$4.50; 6 inch window stool, 1 1/2, \$5.25; 4 inch casings, \$2.25; 5 inch casings, \$2.75; 6 inch casings, \$3.25; 8 inch base, \$4.25; 10 inch base, \$5.00; 12 inch base, \$7.00. hand rail, 2x4, \$5.50; wainscot cap, 2 1/2 inch, \$2.35, 3 inch, \$2.75; paper mould, 60c. Moulding made from 1 1/2 stock add 25 per cent; 1 1/2 add 50 per cent. Hardwood mouldings or mouldings to detail at special prices. All shop work at special net prices.

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## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, Aug. 27.

Business continues quiet during the harvest, but prospects for the fall trade are very encouraging. Orders for the fall delivery show a good increase over last year, and in some lines fall orders have been mostly shipped by this date. All attention is now given to the harvest which is progressing throughout the land. Further large arrivals of farm laborers came in from the east this week to help in the harvest. So far the crop has not suffered any damage. Bank clearings at Winnipeg have assumed their old position and again show an increase over corresponding periods in previous years. Clearings this week were \$1,304,696; compared with \$1,181,856 a year ago and \$1,249,149 in the corresponding week two years ago.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, August 27

### BINDER TWINE.

So far nothing has been heard of any scarcity of binder twine, and the harvest is now so well advanced that it is not at all likely that there will be any scarcity. Early purchases of twine appear to have been ample and there has been very little demand for further supplies. Prices are being considerably cut from recent high quotations.

### GREEN FRUIT.

Receipts of California peaches have dropped off, in consequence of which prices are firmer, and firm prices on this line are looked for, for the balance of the season. Plums are coming freely from Pacific coast points. Recent receipts of British Columbia plums do not show as good quality as earlier arrivals. In fact receipts this week came to hand in very bad shape, owing to the same trouble noted last week. The plums appear to be carefully handled this year, and the packing shows great improvement over previous years, but the plums themselves lack keeping quality. The growers should endeavor to find out what is the cause and remedy the evil. If it is due to lack of spraying the trees, the matter will be easily remedied. British Columbia plums have all come by express, and they should arrive in good condition, as Oregon and Washington plums coming just as long a distance, arrive here in good shape. It is thought that fruits are about as low now as they will be this season, so that the preserving season should be at its height. Blueberries have sold as low as 1c. Ontario mixed car lots are coming to hand, consisting of apples, crabs, pears and tomatoes, mostly, and some plums and peaches will likely be in soon, but the latter two varieties seldom arrive here from the east in fit condition to ship. British Columbia plums have sold at from 10c to \$1 per box as to quality, the bulk of the receipts having to be sacrificed on account of the decayed condition of receipts. The first California grapes have come to hand this week. Prices are lower on many lines this week. Prices are: Oranges, late Valencias, \$4.00 to \$4.50 a box; bau-

anas, a bunch, \$2.25 to \$3.00 as to size, California lemons \$6 per box; pie plant, 75c to \$1 per 100 lbs; Minnesota tomatoes, \$2 per bushel basket; Ontario tomatoes, 20 lb basket, \$1; California and Oregon fruits, peaches, \$1.50 per box; plums, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per box as to quality and variety; pears, \$2.50 to \$3 per box; blue berries, 4 to 6c per pound, Ontario Duchess apples, \$3 to \$3.50 per barrel; crab apples, barrel \$5; R. C. plums, \$1 per box for sound stock; southern grapes, 50c per basket; California grapes, \$3 for four basket crates; Ontario pears, 75c per basket; water melons \$3 per dozen; coconuts, \$1 per dozen. Sicily filberts, large 11 to 12c per pound; Grenoble walnuts, 14c; figs, 14 lb boxes, \$1.50; 20 pound boxes, \$2.50; 1 lb boxes per doz. \$1.75; dates, 6c per lb; Tarragona almonds, 12 1-2 to 13c; peanuts, green, 9c; roasted, 12c; pecans, 14 to 15c; strained honey, 7 1-2 to 10c per lb; maple sugar 11 to 12c; syrup per doz. half gallon tins, \$6.50; apple cider 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels.

### GROCERIES.

Apricots have gone up another notch, and are quoted 1-2 to 1c higher this week at 13 to 16c. Unpacked peaches are also 1-2c higher at 10 1-2 to 11c. In canned goods, tomatoes are 5c lower on the inside price at \$2.85 per case, and corn is quoted 5c lower at \$1.85 to \$1.90. Other prices are the same as last week.

### LUMBER.

Business is quieter this month, owing to harvest now going on. The Rat Portage strike came to an end with the close of last week, and the mills began cutting again on Monday. The old hands have been taken back and a number of new hands, who were brought in to take the place of the strikers, have also been set to work, so that the mills are running with a considerably increased force in the meantime. The ten hour day has been conceded, but this could probably have been obtained without a strike at all. This concession was offered the strikers at the outset, but after they had gained this point they held out for an increase in wages also, which was not granted, and the strike was only terminated when new hands began to arrive to operate the mills.

### RUBBER GOODS.

Manufacturers of and dealers in rubber goods are very firm in their views. This is particularly true of the rubber shoe trade. All classes of rubber goods except rubber footwear have been advanced, and it is only competition which prevents an advance in footwear also, as the cost of raw material is greatly increased. Rubber boots and shoes are made mostly from Para rubber, which is the finest quality, and the production of Para rubber shows a decline this year, while stocks of every kind of rubber are very low. This shrinkage in rubber supplies has been going on for years, and with the largely increased demand for mechanical rubber goods, such as belting, hose, etc., it is hard to say where the matter will end. All endeavors to find a substitute for rubber have so far failed. The rubber houses say they are not anxious to sell goods at present, in view of possible advances in prices.

### GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

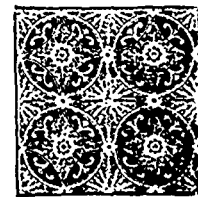
WHEAT—More interest has been shown in the wheat trade during the

past week than has been seen for some time previously. Values however have not made any material advance, except that cash wheat is quoted from 1c to 1 1-2c better than a week ago, but the efforts of the bears in the speculative markets to depress prices, and the lack of interest in speculative buying, have caused prices for future delivery to close about exactly the same as a week ago. The marketing of new wheat in the United States shows an enlarging tendency, and daily receipts at primary points are running about equal to same date last year, which they have not done previously since the crop began to move. In the winter wheat states, where preparations are being made for the planting of another crop, it is generally noted that there is prospect of further enlargement of the acreage to be put under wheat. Broken weather has been delaying harvesting in the United States northwest and Manitoba, and fears of frost damage have been entertained, but so far no damage has been reported. In Europe harvesting is fast nearing completion, except in the most northerly districts, where very little wheat is grown. The weather all over Europe has recently been most favorable for harvest operations.

The local trade continues quiet most of the firms interested being busy with the usual preparations for the work of the season. In the beginning of the week a little No. 1 hard was taken to fill short sales at 83c in store Fort William, although market value could not be quoted at over 81c. On Tuesday 80c was offered, and this remains the quotation for the balance of the week. It is reported that a lot of 40,000 bushels 1 hard changed hands in the beginning of the week at 61 1-2c in store Fort William. These prices are for old wheat. The moderate demand from Ontario millers, which has kept the trade alive for some weeks back, has this week shown evident signs of falling off. New 1 hard has been sold for 65 to

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Shippers at country points should note that a reduction of 11-2c per 100 lbs. in the freight rate on grain to Fort William, went into effect on August 1.

**FLOUR**—Prices are unchanged at the decline reported a week ago. We quote \$2.35 for patent, \$2.15 for strong bakers, \$1.60 for second bakers, and \$1.15 for XXXX per sack of 98 lbs.

**MILLEFEED**—There is no change in prices, but supplies are very scarce. We quote bran at \$11 and shorts \$13 per ton in bulk. Large lots 50c per ton less.

**GROUND FEED**—Ground feed is quoted at \$28 to \$29 per ton as to quality for oats. Ground corn is out of the market.

**CORN**—Nominal. None in the market.

**OATS**—No new cuts have been offered on spot yet, but bids have been asked on car lots of new, to ship later. No sales are reported, but the feeling is that the market will open at about 25c per bushel for new oats, on track here. Only a car or two of old oats reported this week, at 38 to 39c per bushel of 34 pounds on track here. There has been some demand from railway contractors, and supplies are scarce.

**BARLEY**—Nominal. None offered.

**BUTTER**—Creamery—The market is about the same as a week ago, and 18c is quoted at the factories for choice fresh goods. It is said that some bids were made at 18 1/2c, but the large buyers say they have not exceeded 18c. The factories are holding firm for full prices. The weather has been very favorable for a large make, the rains having kept a good growth of fresh grass, but the high prices paid in the country for dairy butter has decreased the patronage of the creameries to a considerable extent, and one or two have even been obliged to close down on this account. It is doubtful, therefore, if the make will be as large as last year.

**BUTTER**—Dairy—The market is firm, and 13c is being paid for round lots of fresh dairy. There is a tendency to hold for higher prices, probably owing to the good profits made at the end of the season last year, but the same thing does not always happen. Prices for both dairy and creamery are comparatively high, compared with other markets.

**CHEESE**—The local cheese market has gone wild again. It went wild about the close of the season last year, and holders who bought at the high prices did not realize a snap, as the sequel showed. At present the price of cheese has been advanced to such a point here, that cheese of equal quality could be brought from the east and laid down here at about the same money or less. In fact it would not be a surprise to find this market filled up with eastern cheese any day. So far as the western trade is concerned, Manitoba cheese is entirely out of the question, as the finest Ontario good can be laid down at Vancouver at a price equal to about 8 1/2c here, while 9 and 9 1/4c is being bid for Manitoba cheese here, of inferior average quality to fine Ontario.

**EGGS**—The market is firm at last week's prices. Candied stock is selling here at 13 1/2 to 14c, and dealers are paying 13c here for receipts, equal to 12 to 12 1/2c in the country.

**DRESSED MEATS**.—We quote

loaf at 5c to 5 1/2c, as to quality. Mutton easy at 7 to 8c; lambs, 9 to 10c; hogs, 6 1/2 to 7c for country dressed and 7 to 7 1/2c for city dressed; veal 6 to 7 1/2c.

**DRESSED POULTRY**—Chickens are 50 to 60c per pair live; spring chickens 25 to 50c per pair as to quality and size; turkeys 10 to 11c per pound live weight; ducks, 65 to 70c per pair; geese, no demand.

**VEGETABLES**—New potatoes 40 to 50c per bush. Cabbage 25 to 40c per doz.; cauliflower, 40 to 60c per doz. Green stuff offers at 10 to 12 1/2c per doz. bunches; celery, 20 to 25c per doz.; green peas, in pod, 2c; beans, 1 1/2c per lb.; cucumbers, 15 to 20c per doz.; corn, sweet, 12 1/2 to 15c per dozen ears; native corn, 8c.

**FRUITS**—Blueberries are offering on the market at 60 to 75c per pail. Raspberries, \$1.50 to \$2 per pail.

**HIDES**—The local market is weaker, as buyers are desirous of getting prices reduced to a fair level. About 8c is generally quoted for No. 1 green city hides, but prices are irregular, and higher prices have been paid in special cases. Green salted country hides are quoted at 7 1/2 to 8c; kip, 7 to 7 1/2c; calf, 7 to 9c; deacon skins 15 to 25c each; sheepskins, 10 to 20c; lambskins, 15 to 25c; horse hides 75c to \$1.75 each; coats, 25c each.

**WOOL**—We quote 9 to 9 1/2c for unwashed Manitoba fleece.

**TALLOW**—No. 1, 3 1/2c; No. 2, 2 1/2 to 3c.

**SENECA ROOT**—The market is firmer at 17 to 19c per lb. Very little offering.

**HAY**—New hay is offering at \$5 per ton for baled on track here. No demand.

#### LIVE STOCK.

**CATTLE**—Export business has been active this week and a large number of both domestic and range cattle have gone forward. The principal shipments of domestic cattle were from the Manitoba Northwestern road, including some very fine stock. Prices are about the same. The range of butchers' cattle is 2 1/2 to 3c with more cattle being bought under 3c than a week ago. In fact some fair loads have been picked up at 2 1/2c. Export cattle quoted at 3 to 3 1/4c, Winnipeg weight, buyer paying local freight. Some stockers are going west to the ranges.

**SHEEP**—The market is easy at 3 to 3 1/2c off cars here as to quality. The price of sheep is keeping up remarkably well this season, prices a year ago being 3-4c lower than now. The reason is that offerings have not been free this season.

**HOGS**—The market is steady at 5c for the most desirable hogs, at which price packers are free buyers. We quote choice bacon hogs, weighing 150 to 250 lbs. at 5c per lb.; 250 to 300 lbs., \$4.25 to \$4.75; heavy hogs over 300 lbs., \$3 to \$4, as to quality, live weight.

#### Branching Out.

J. Y. Griffin & Co., pork packers, Winnipeg, have determined on an important new venture in connection with their large business. They have decided to open a number of retail stores in the city for the disposal of products of their factory. Two locations for stores have been decided upon and will be opened shortly, and the number will be increased to five as soon thereafter as arrangements for good locations can be made. These

stores will be fitted up in the best style and with every convenience and facility for doing a retail meat trade. An expert in this particular branch has been engaged to look after the fitting up of the stores, which will be equal to the best in eastern cities. While the sale of the products of their factory is the primary motive in establishing these stores, it is not the intention of Messrs. Griffin & Co. to confine their retail stores to pork products alone. They will handle fresh and cured meats of all kinds, and will do a general meat trade.

There are two principal reasons for this new departure. One is in regard to the sale of cuttings. The large number of hogs now handled at their packing factory gives a large supply for cuttings for which heretofore there has been very little sale in Winnipeg. There are such cuttings as tenderloins, pork tongues, pigs feet, hocks, heads, etc., which in the past have to a considerable extent been a loss. The public have not been educated to use these articles, and established retailers have not shown much inclination to try to sell these cuttings. In order to create a demand for such goods, Messrs. Griffin & Co. have decided that they will have to open retail stores under their own supervision, where special prominence will be given to their factory cuttings. The handling of other kinds of meat will not materially increase the expense of operating the stores, while it will tend to make their stores more attractive and increase their profit.

The next important reason for opening the retail stores is for the sale of their cured hog products. They feel that while they have a large trade throughout the country, they are not receiving a fair share of the city trade for their goods. A number of the city butchers do some curing of these products, and they, of course, prefer to sell their own makes. A number of the retail grocers do not care to handle cured meats, while others handle imported goods, which are a little lower in price but not equal in quality to the home article. In order to secure a fair share of the city trade, and meet the consumptive demand for their goods, the retail stores will be opened.

The number of retail shops in the city may not be increased much by the opening of these stores, as it is probable that in some cases at least they will succeed to the business of some shops already established.

#### Hides.

The McMillan Fur & Wool Co., Minneapolis, report an advance of 1-8c on green salted hides, with a good demand. Also an advance of 1-2c on Seneca root.

#### Freight Rates.

East bound rates from Chicago have been restored to the tariff of August 15. The rate from Chicago to New York is 18c per 100 lbs. on flour and grain.

Flour rates from Minneapolis to New York were advanced Aug. 25 to 25 1/2c per 100 lbs. all rail, and 22 1/2c lake and rail.

Ocean room was reported in lighter demand and lower at 13-4d per bu. for grain from New York to Liverpool. Through rates from Chicago to Liverpool are 11 1/8c per bushel on wheat and 10 1/4c on corn. Lake rates from Chicago to Buffalo were firmer, at 13-8c on wheat, 11-8 to 11-4c on corn, and 1c on oats. Corn to Kings-ton 2c.



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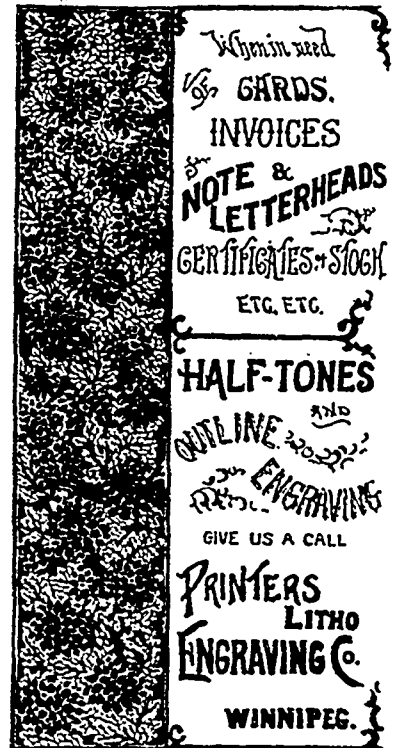
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**Annual Western Trip.**

W. A. Hastings, general manager of the Lake of the Woods Milling Co., arrived from Montreal on Thursday, on his annual trip to the west. In conversation with a representative of The Commercial Mr. Hastings said that they were having a good demand for Manitoba flour in the east, notwithstanding the low price at which Ontario flour was offering. This is owing to the fact that the new Ontario wheat is not in condition yet to make the best flour, and old Manitoba flour is wanted. Eastern millers are also obliged to use old Manitoba wheat for grinding with their new grain, though the latter will improve with age. Referring to the low price at which Ontario flour is being offered, Mr. Hastings said that Manitoba flour will sell at a certain premium over the eastern flour, but when that premium is exceeded, sales of Manitoba flour will decrease. Prices here for wheat during the past year have been comparatively much higher than in the east. Mr. Hastings said that they kept their mills running steadily all the year around, exporting whatever surplus they might have. They have only been closed down two weeks at each of their Manitoba mills, during the past year, to allow of the annual overhauling and improvements.

**Weather and Crops.**

The weather was not all that could be desired this week for harvesting. The early part of the week was broken by showers, and there was a heavy general rain about the beginning of the week. Later the weather was more favorable. The rain was not as disadvantageous this week as it would have been a little later on. The work going on this week has been nearly all in cutting grain, and the delay caused would not be nearly as great as if stacking had been progressing. In a very short time the binders would be at work again after the rains, and the crop has not been at all injured, as the temperature was moderate and the rains not sufficiently prolonged to injure the quality of the crop. Cutting has made fair progress, and except in the late districts a large part of the crop is in shock. We give extensive crop reports this week, which show how the crops stood at the beginning or early in the week. Information from Brandon this morning was to the effect that the crops were about half cut, and turning out very good.

**British Columbia Items.**

D. Carety is opening in cigars and tobacco at Nelson.  
 J. J. Ullman is opening in fruits, cigars, etc., at Whitewater.  
 The Merchants Bank of Halifax is opening a branch at Ymir.  
 Cascade Drug Co., Cascade City, is opening in drugs, stationery, etc.  
 Smith & Aldrich, general store, Anacosta, have dissolved, and are succeeded by L. A. Smith & Co.  
 A. J. McCallum is retiring from the Kaslo Dairy Produce and Commission Co. A. McQueen continues alone.  
 The following items are reported from Victoria: Victoria Chemical Co. damaged by fire; insured. J. P. Sarant's, fruit, is selling out to Geo. Sarant's. J. Caritopoulos, fish, is succeeded by George Gawley.

The following items are reported from Vancouver: Phipps, Aldridge & Co., wholesale fruit, have dissolved. P. H. Phipps retires. W. J. Massey is opening in wholesale liquors. Mrs. J. Goodman, groceries, is out of business. F. Muskett, men's furnishings, is giving up the shoe department.

**Northwest Ontario.**

John McDonald, confectionery, Port Arthur, has assigned to W. A. McCallum.

The sale of the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western railway to Mackenzie, Mann & Co. is reported. The road is naturally a part of the new Ontario and Rainy River road system now under construction and owned by Mackenzie & Mann. The latter road will connect with the Winnipeg and Southeastern, also under construction, making another through line to Lake Superior.

**Assiniboia.**

Thos. Meredith has purchased the Arnold hotel, Yorkton.  
 Thos. Healy, Moose Jaw, will give up his grocery business and devote his entire attention to fruit.

**Alberta.**

W. C. Wood, has opened an hotel at Leduc.  
 Mr. Geuge, of the Queen's hotel, Macleod, has sold out to Stedman & Nash.  
 The Lacombe Co-operative association, to do a general store business at Lacombe, is applying for incorporation.

**Saskatchewan.**

S. McLeod, one of the old established and leading merchants of Prince Albert, has sold out his stock and business to a new firm, which will do business under the name of Moore, Bradshaw, Cluech & Co. The head of the new firm, E. H. Moore, came recently from the east. J. E. Bradshaw has been manager of the Hudson's Bay Co.'s West End store. F. H. Cluech is a local man, formerly in business at Kinistino. Mr. McLeod may go into the grain trade at Prince Albert, where he contemplates erecting an elevator.

**Salmon Season Extended.**

The Dominion government has consented to the opening of the season for taking coho-salmon in the Fraser river, B. C., ten days earlier than usual, owing to the small run of sock-eye salmon, the season for which is now closed. It is not expected that this concession to the packers will very materially increase the pack, as the big pack is always made during the sock-eye run.

**Western Business Items.**

M. J. Morgan, tailor, Killarney, Man., has sold out.  
 J. Jackson, harness, Altamont, Man., is burned out.  
 The Carman Trading Co., general store, Carman, Man., are applying for incorporation.  
 Mr. Persse, of Teas & Persse, Winnipeg, returned to the city to-day, after a two months' trip to Europe.  
 Sibhan & Co., grocers, Winnipeg, who assigned this week, also carried on a general store at Marquette, Man.

**Flour Mill Sold.**

J. H. Fraser, flour miller, Morden, Man., has sold his mill to B. C. Parker and J. W. Stodders. The new proprietors contemplate erecting a 40,000 bushel elevator, and also increasing the mill to 300 barrels' capacity. The business will be carried on under the name of the Morden Milling Co.

**New York Money**

New York, Aug. 26.—Money on call firm, 1 3/4 to 2 1/2 per cent.; last loan 2 per cent.; primo mercantile paper 3 1/2 to 4 1/4 per cent.; sterling exchange weaker, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$1.85 to 1-8 for demand, and at \$1.83 1-4 to 1-2 for sixty days; posted rates \$1.81 to 1-2, and \$1.86; commercial bills \$1.82 3-4; silver certificates 59 1-2 to 61; bar silver 60 1-4; Mexican dollars 16 1-2; government bonds steady; state bonds dull; railroad bonds firmer.

**Visible Supply.**

New York, Aug. 22.—The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat, Saturday, Aug. 20, as compiled by the New York produce exchange is as follows:  
 Wheat, 5,850,000 bushels; decrease 1,017,000 bushels.  
 Corn—16,123,000 bus., increase 106,000 bus.  
 Oats—2,910,000 bus.; decrease 171,000 bus.  
 Rye—101,000 bus.; decrease 48,000 bus.  
 Barley—245,000 bus.; increase 2,000 bus.

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## British Columbia Markets.

[All quotations unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.  
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Vancouver, Aug. 27, 1898.

The butter market is firmer. Stocks on hand bought earlier prevent an advance; but higher prices are looked for as soon as they are worked down. Eggs are firm. Fresh local eggs are selling in a retail way at 40c per dozen. Cheese firmer and about 4c higher. Butter, cheese and eggs are coming in from Eastern Canada freely. Potatoes are cheap and plentiful, owing to the large home crop.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 20@21c as to quantity and quality; Dairy, jobbers prices, 15½@16c. Round lots, dairy, 14@15c.

Eggs—Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 16@17c.

Cheese—Ontario, 10½ @ 11c, jobbers price; Round lots, 10½c.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½@13c; breakfast bacon 12½@13c; backs 12½@13c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11 @ 12½c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 11c per lb, in pails and tubs 10½c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked salmon 10c; fresh halibut, 6c; salmon, 6c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$10@12 per ton; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2½c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$6 box; bananas, bunch 2.75; plums 50c@\$.10 per box; peaches, California, \$1.30; grapes, \$1.65; pears, \$1.50@1.75 box; apples, 1.00 @\$.1.65; tomatoes, \$1.50; greengages, \$1.25; prunes, \$1.25; St. Michael oranges, \$3.00; Mediterranean sweets, \$2.75; watermelons, \$4.25 doz.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.50; 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$5.50; strong bakers \$5.30; Oregon, jobbers price, \$5.50.

Grain—Oats, 26.00 @ \$27.00 per ton; wheat, 26.00@28.00 per ton;

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$25.00 per ton; shorts \$20 ton; bran \$18; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$12 to \$13 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7@7½c; mutton 9c; pork 9c; veal 9c; Pemican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens, \$3@4 dozen; fowl, \$6.00 dozen.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 10½c per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9@10c; prunes, French 5@7½c; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6@8½c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 15c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnut, 13c lb.

Sugars—Powdered, icing and bar, 6½c. Paris lump, 6½c; granulated, 5c; extra C. 4½c; fancy yellows 4½c; yellow 4½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tins, \$4.50 case of 10; ¼ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

## Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, Aug. 27.

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$14.00.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.45 @ 1.55; land iron, \$1.85 for Canadian and \$2.00 for imported; hoop iron \$2.

Sheet Steel—12-gauge, \$2.25 per 100 lbs; 16-gauge, \$2.40; 18@20, \$2.30@2.40; 22@24, \$2.30@2.40; 26, \$2.35@2.45; 28, \$2.45@2.55.

Galvanized Iron—16-gauge, 3½c; 18@24, \$3.87½c; 26, 4½c and 28 at \$4.37½.

Lead—Pig, 4@4½c; sheet, 4½@4½c per lb; shot, can., dis. 7½ per cent; pipe, dis. 25 per cent.

Black Iron—10@12 gauge, \$2.25@2.40 per 100 lbs; 14@16 gauge, \$2.60@2.70; 18@20 gauge, \$2.30@2.40; 22@24 gauge, \$2.25@2.35; 26-gauge, \$2.30@2.40; 28-gauge, \$2.45@2.55.

Coil chain—½ in., \$4.65; 5-16 in., \$3.75; ¾ in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; 1 in., \$3.10; 1½ in., \$2.80; 2 in., \$2.75.

Zinc—5½@6c per lb.

Antimony—10½@11c; solder 11½c@12½.

Ingot Copper—12½c@13 per lb.

Ingot Tin—18@18½c.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; do, 10-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.50; all-bright "Garth," \$2.60 per box; do, "alaska," \$3.00.

Tinplates—Cokes, \$3.00@3.10 for 14x20; do, squares, \$3.15@3.25; \$6.25 for 20x25; charcoal plates, \$3.50@3.60 basis for good brands.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., ¼ to ¾ inch, \$2.00 to 2.05; 1 inch, \$2.15@2.20; 1½ inch, \$2.62; 1 inch, \$3.60; 1½ inch, \$4.75; 1 inch, \$6.20; 2 inch, \$8.30. Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.50@3.80; ¾ inch, \$4.20 @ 4.60; 1 inch, \$5.85@6.20; 1½ inch, \$8.05@8.25; 2 inch, \$11.00@11.25.

Barb Wire—\$1.75, terms 30 days or 2 percent., ten days f.o.b. Toronto.

Fence Wire—Annealed, oiled and annealed, 35 per cent.; galvanized, 30 per cent.; terms 4 months or 3 per cent. 30 days.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.50.

Cut Nails—\$1.75 base price Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

Horse Nails—Discount on regular brands, 50 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron, light and medium pattern, \$3.25 per keg, Toronto and Hamilton.

Screws—Flat head bright, 57½c and 10; round head bright, 80 and 10; flat head brass, 82½ and 10; round head brass, 75 and 10 per cent.

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, 1@5-16, 70 per cent; tire bolts, 70 and 5; machine bolts, 60 and 10; blank bolts, 60 per cent; sleigh shoe bolts, 80 per cent; plough bolts, 60; stove bolts, 70 and 5; nuts, square, 4½c; hexagon, 5½c.

Rivets—Iron, 60 per cent; copper rivets, 45 per cent.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.60, and in 100-foot boxes, \$3.00; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$4.50. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

Green Wirecloth—\$1.20 per 100 square feet; terms, 4 months or 3 per cent for 30 days.

Spades and Shovels—Discounts 40 and 10@45 and 2½ per cent.

Harvest Tools—Discounts 60, 10 and 5 per cent.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 10½c; ¾ in., 11c; 1 and 5-16 in., 11½c; Manila, 7-16 and larger, 13c; ¾, 13½c; 1 and 5-16, 14.

Binder Twine—11@13½c.

## Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, Aug. 27.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4 9-16c; yellows, 3½@4½c.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 30c@32c; special bright, 35c@42c. Molasses—West Indian, brls, 32c@45c; New Orleans, 25@30c; for medium and 35c@47c for bright.

Teas—Japan, low grade, 16c@18c per lb; Hysons, mediums 18c@24c; Congous, low grades, 10c@15c; mediums, 22c@25c, and fines, 40c@55c; Oolongs, 25c@65c; Ceylons, 17@25c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 8@12c; Mocha, 23c@28c; Java, 22c@30c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.00@1.05; peas, 70@85c; sifted peas, \$1.05@1.20; corn, 85@95c; beans, 70@90c; pumpkins, 70@75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.80, raspberries, 2's, \$1.50@1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.40@1.65; 3's, \$2@2.40. Cohoes Salmon, 95c@\$1; sock-eyes, \$1.30@1.40; mackerel, \$1.30@1.40; lobsters, halves, \$1.65@1.75; tall lbs, \$2.80; flats, \$3.00.

Nuts—Marbots, 10c; filberts, Sicily, 9c; Grenoble Walnuts, 11@12c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 3½@4c; do Patna, 5½ @6c; do Japan, 6@6½c.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, new, off-stalk, 4½c@5c; fine, off-stalk, 5½@5½c; selected, 6@6½c; layers, 6½@7c; Provincial, currants, 6½@6½c; Filiatras, 6½@7c; Patras, 7c@7½c; Vostizzas, 8c@8½c; California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 10½@14c; pears, 9c@10c; peaches, 9½@10½c; prunes, 40's to 50's, 9c@10c; 50's to 60's, 7½@8½c; 60's to 70's, 8c@8½c; 70's to 80's, 7½c@8c; 80's to 90's, 7½c@8c; 90's to 100's, 7@7½c. Bosnia prunes, 5½@6½c; Sultanias, 9c@13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @15c per lb; citron, 18c@20c; lemon 11c @14c. Hallowee dates, 5@5½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.30@1.50 per box; black baskets, \$2.00; blue baskets, \$2.25; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters, \$1.25. Figs—Natural in bags 4@5c; Eleme figs, 10 oz., 7½c, 5, 10 and 12 lb boxes, 10@12c; 6-crown; 12½c; 7-crown, 15c; bags, 4½ 4-lb Glove boxes, 14@15c.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 25c; Cochim 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15 @ 18c; Annaboy, 18 @ 25c; allspice, 20c; nutmegs, 50c@\$1; cream tartar, pure, 25@28c, and 20@23c for compound.

## PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$16.00@16.50 for Canada mess; short cut, \$17; clear mess, \$15.00.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 8½c, ton and case lots, 8½c.

Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 11c; hams, large 10½c and 11c to 11½c for medium; rolls, 9c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 7@7½c; tubs, 7½c; pails 7½c.

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**New York Wheat.**

New York, Aug. 22.—Wheat—Receipts 559,000 bushels; exports 48,000. Options opened easy under weak cables, and heavy northwest receipts, rattled on the visible supply decrease, but sold off again liquidation, and absence of cash inquiry, closing 1 to 1 3/4c net lower. No. 2 red, May 67 1-2 to 67 11-16, closed 67 5-8c; August 74 1-2 to 75c, closed 74 1-2c; Sept. 67 5-8 to 68 3-8c, closed 67 7-8c; December 66 to 66 9-16, closed 66 1-8c.

New York, Aug. 23.—Wheat—Receipts 157,000 bush.; exports 309,000 bus. Options opened firm and advanced quietly all day, closing 1-4 to 5-8c net higher. Shorts covered on disappointing northwest receipts and a better cash demand. May 68 1-4 to 3-8c, closed 68 1-4; Aug. 75, closed 75c; Sept. closed 68 1-2c; Dec. 66 1-8 to 66 9-16, closed 66 3-8c.

New York, Aug. 24.—Wheat—Receipts 32,375 bushels; exports 9,705 bushels. Options barely steady, under disappointing cables, but were rattled by a fair cash demand and rains in the Northwest. Near the close however, realizing set in, and supplemented by light export trade, left final prices 3-8 to 2c net lower, later on. August opened 73 to 73 1-2, closed 73; Dec. opened 66 1-16 to 66 3-4, closed 66.

New York, Aug. 25.—Wheat receipts 122,100 bushels, exports 154,970 bushels. Opened weak under bearish cables. A food demand from foreign houses, recovery in late cables and rain in the northwest however, impelled after covering here, which closed the market strong, 1-4 to 3-8c net advance. No. 2 red, May 67 1-16c to 67 7-8c, closed 67 7-8c; August 72 3-4c to 73c, closed 73c; Sept. 67 21-2c to 68 1-2c, closed 68 1-2c; Dec. 65c to 66 3-8c, closed 66 3-8c.

New York, Aug. 26.—Wheat—Receipts 70,200 bushels, exports 155,814 bushels. Options opened stronger and advanced easily on good foreign buying, local receiving, late cables and disappointing receipts. In the last hour, however, a successful raid by bears sent the price to the lowest point. They closed 3-8c below yesterday's. No. 2 red May 67 1-4 to 67 5-8, closed 67 1-4; August 73 to 73 3-4, closed 73; Sept. 68 1-8 to 69 3-16, closed 68 1-8, Dec. 65 15-16 to 66 9-16, closed 66.

New York, Aug. 27.—September wheat closed at 63 3-8c, December closed at 66 1-4c, and May option 67 1-2c.

**Chicago Board of Trade Prices**

Prices are quoted per bushel of 60 pounds for wheat, bushel of 56 pounds of corn, bushel of 32 pounds of oats, per barrel for mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Aug. 66c; Sept. 63c; Dec. 61 5-8c; May 63 1-2c.  
Corn—August 29 1-2c; Sept. 29 5-8c; Dec. 29 3-4 to 29 7-8c; May 32c.  
Oats—Sept. 19 5-8c; May 22 1-2c.  
Mess pork—Sept. \$8.95; Oct. and Dec. \$8.85.  
Lard—Sept. \$5; Oct. \$5.05; Dec. \$5.10.

Chicago, Aug. 23.—Futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Aug. 67 1-2c; Sept. 63 3-4c; Dec. 62c; May 63 7-8 to 6 1c.

Corn—Aug. 30 1-8c; Sept. 30 1-8c; Dec. 30 1-8c; May 32 1-8c.

Oats—Sept. 19 3-4c; May 23 1-4c.

Pork—Sept. \$8.95; Oct. \$8.87 1-2; Dec. \$8.92 1-2.

Lard—Sept. \$5.07 1-2, Oct. \$5.12 1-2; Dec. \$5.17 1-2.

Ribs—Sept. and Oct. \$5.10.

Chicago, Aug. 24.—Closing prices: No. 2 Wheat, Aug. 67c, Sept. 63 18, Dec. 61 1-2c, May 63 3-8c. Corn: Sept. 29 5-8c, May 32. Oats: Sept. 19 3-4c. Ribs: Sept. \$5.15; Oct. \$5.17. Pork: Sept. \$8.90, Dec. \$8.92. Lard: Sept. \$5.10, Oct. \$5.15.

Chicago, Aug. 25.—The leading futures closed as follows: Wheat Aug. 67; Sept. 63 3-4 a 7-8; Dec. 61 3-4 a 61 7-8; May. 63 5-8 a 63 3-4.

Corn, Aug. 30; Sept., 30; Dec., 30; May. 32 1-4.

Oats, Sept. 19 3-4; May 22.

Pork, Sept. \$8.87 1-2; Oct. \$8.87 1-2; Dec. \$8.92 1-2.

Lard, Sept. \$5.07 1-2; Oct. \$5.12 1-2; Dec. \$5.17 1-2.

Ribs, Sept. \$5.17 1-2.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Aug. 67 3-8, Sept. 63 3-8, Dec. 61 3-8, May 63 1-4 to 63 3-8.

Corn—Aug. 29 3-4, Sept. 29 3-4, Dec. 29 7-8, May 32 1-8.

Oats—Sept. 19 3-4 to 19 7-8, May 22.

Pork—Sept. \$8.82 1-2, Oct. \$8.85, Dec. \$8.87 1-2.

Lard—Sept. \$5.07 1-2, Oct. \$5.12 1-2, Dec. \$5.10 1-2.

Ribs—Sept. \$5.17 1-2, Oct. \$5.17 1-2.

Chicago, Aug. 27.—September wheat ranged from 63 7-8c to 64c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—Aug. 67 7-8c, Sept. 61c, Dec. 61 5-8c.

Corn—Sept. 30, Dec. 30 1-8c.

Oats—Sept. 19 7-8c, Dec. 20c.

Pork—Sept. \$8.85, Dec. \$8.85.

Lard—Sept. \$5.12 1-2, Oct. \$5.17 1-2.

Ribs—Sept. \$5.25, Oct. \$5.25.

A week ago September option closed at 63 1-2c. A year ago September wheat closed at 92 1-2c. Two years ago at 56 5-8c, three years ago at 60 5-8c, four years ago at 53 3-4c.

**DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.**

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows each day of the week:

Monday—Sept., 62 3-8c; Dec., 60 3-4c.

Tuesday—Sept., 63 1-4c; Dec., 61 1-4c.

Wednesday—Sept., 62 1-2c; Dec., 60 1-2c.

Thursday—Sept., 62 7-8c; Dec., 61c.

Friday—Sept., 62 5-8c; Dec., 60 1-2c.

Saturday—Sept. 63c; Dec. 60 7-8c.

Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 68c, and cash No. 1 northern at 67c. These prices are for new wheat.

Last week September wheat closed at 63 1-2c.

A year ago September wheat closed at 92c. Two years ago September option closed at 57 1-8c, and three years ago at 59 3-8c, four years ago at 54 1-2c, and five years ago at 60 1-4c.

**WINNIPEG GROCERY MARKET.**

Our grocery price list is unavoidably held over this week. For quotations see The Commercial of last week. With the exception of the changes noted on page 1325 of this issue, last week's prices are unchanged.

**WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.**

Wheat has been held firmer toward the close of the week. To-day 81c was bid for old wheat in store Fort William, and there were buyers for new No. 1 hard for shipment at 66c Fort William.

**MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.**

On Saturday, Aug. 27, No. 1 northern wheat closed at 60c for September, and 58 7-8c for December. Cash wheat 64 3-4c. A week ago September wheat closed at 60c.

**LIVERPOOL WHEAT.**

Liverpool, Aug. 27.—Wheat quoted 3-8d higher.

**BRITISH LIVE STOCK MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial. Liverpool, Aug. 26.—Cattle market steady. Canadian cattle quoted at 93-4 to 10 1-4.

**SUGAR.**

London, Aug. 26.—Beet 3-4d higher. August beet quoted at 9s 6d. Cane firmer.

**CHEESE MARKETS.**

Belleville, Aug. 23.—Nineteen factories offered 1,245 white and 100 colored cheese. Sales, 390 white, to Watkin, at 8c; all August make.

Ingersoll, Aug. 23.—Offerings were 1,090 boxes August make; no sales; 7 7-8c to 7 15-16c bid.

**LIVERPOOL PRICES.**

Liverpool, Aug. 26—12.30 p.m.—Wheat—Spot dull. No. 2 red western winter 5s 8d; No. 1 red northern spring 6s 9 1-2d. Corn—Spot steady; American mixed 3s 3 3-4d. Peas—Canadian 4s 11 1-2d.

Closing—Wheat—No. 2 red western winter dull at 5s 7d. Corn—Spot quiet at 3s 1d, Oct. quiet at 3s 15-8d.

**CHEESE.**

Special to The Commercial. Liverpool, Aug. 26.—Cheese 6d lower on the week for colored at 38s. White unchanged at 37s 6d.

**BRITISH STOCKS.**

London, Aug. 26.—4 p.m.—Consols for money and for the account 110 3-4. Canadian Pacific 88 1-8; Grand Trunk 7 1-4; Erie 14 3-4; Erie first preferred 39 1-4; Illinois Central 115 3-4; Mexican ordinary 20 3-4; St. Paul common 116 1-8; New York Central 122 1-2; Pennsylvania 61; Reading 9 7-8; Mexican Central new fours 68 1-8; Atchafson 14 1-4; Louisville 61 1-4; Bar silver 27 13-16d. Money 1-4 to 1-2. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills 1 1-4; three months bills, 1 3-8 to 1-2 per cent.

Mr. Stephen Nairn has returned to the city, after an extended trip both east and west.

E. C. Bush & Co., general store, Crystal City, Man., are discontinuing business there, and moving to Swan Lake.

Mullins & Wilson shipped twenty-five carloads of cattle for export to Liverpool on Friday. They were purchased in the Yorkton and Russell districts and were an exceptionally fine lot.

Mrs. Crimsonbeak (as her husband comes in late at night)—"What does the clock say, John?"

Mr. Crimsonbeak (with difficulty)—"Nushing, madam, ab,olutely nushing. It's got shensh enough not to shay anyshing."

### MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 23.  
Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 650 cattle, 500 sheep and lambs, 50 calves. Buying was dull and prices were easier. Prime heaves touched 43-4c; good cattle sold at from 34-2c to 41-2c; and common at from 21-1c to 31-2c per lb. Bulls sold at 2c to 3c. Good sheep 31-1 to 31-2c; lambs 41-2 to 43-4c. Hogs sold at \$5 to \$40 per 100 lbs.

### THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 26.  
There was no change in cattle or sheep, and prices at the market yesterday were the same as on Tuesday. Hogs were 1-8 to 1-4 lower, at \$5.10 to \$.25 per 100 lbs.

### MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 27.  
Prices steady this week, as follows: White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 41-2c; linned oil raw, 47 to 48c; linned, 50 to 51c; turpentine, 41c; bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50, tin plates, cokes, \$2.75 to \$2.90. I. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.75. Canada plates, \$2.10 to \$2.15; tern plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25, galvanized iron, 41-4 to 43-4c, lead, \$3.75 to \$4, iron pipe, \$3.30 to \$4, putty in bulk, \$1.65, in bladders, \$1.80, ingot tin, 16 1-2 to 17 1-2. Cement, English brands, \$2.25 to \$2.35. Germany, \$2.35 to \$2.50, and Belgium, \$1.85 to \$2.05 per barrel ex-wharf. Rope, sisal 10 1-4 to 10 1-2c; Manila, 12 to 12 1-2 for 7-16 size and larger.

### MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 27.  
Market steady. No important changes in quotations:  
Quotations are: Granulated sugar, standard, 47-16c at refineries; yellows, 37-8 to 41-8c; molasses, 30 to 31c; syrups, 2 to 21-2c as to quality, Valencia raisins 43-4 to 51-2; Valencia layers, 61-2c; currants, 51-8 to 60-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8c to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 51-4c, B., 33-4c.

### MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 27.  
Old oats are unchanged. New are 1c lower. An improved export demand for flour is reported. Ontario millers have sold ahead at very low prices, and it is said farmers will not sell the wheat at prices which will enable them to fill their sales at a profit. Manitoba flour is 10c lower per barrel. Shorts 50c higher. Good demand for millfeed. Eggs firmer, and 1c higher. It is said prices are almost too high for export now. Butter is steady at last week's quotations. Cheese quiet. Cables tending lower. Large stocks of cheese are said to be held, aggregating 350,000 boxes.  
Cats—31c per bushel for old No. 2 white and new at 29 1-2c allow. 1c lower in store.  
Flour—Manitoba strong bakers \$4.67 to \$4.70; Manitoba patents, \$4.50 to \$5.  
Millfeed—Bran \$11.50 per ton; shorts, \$14, including sacks.  
Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.80 per bag.  
Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8c to

10c; sheepskins 35 to 40c; lambskins, 35 to 40c; tallow, 31-2c to 33-4c.

Eggs—12 to 13c per dozen.  
Butter—Choice dairy, 14 1-2 to 15-1-4c; western dairy, 13 to 14c.  
Butter—Creamery, in tubs, 17 1-2 to 17 7-8c. Fancy boxes range 1-4c higher.  
Cheese—Choice western 81-4 to 81-2c, eastern, 71-2 to 77-8c.  
Beans—85c to \$1 per bushel as to quality.

### TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 27.  
Dry Goods—More active. Buyers here from the west, and a large party also from the Maritime provinces. The millinery openings on Monday and the exhibition next week are expected to attract many buyers. Some lines of grey cottons are scarce. Spring prices on some Canadian manufactures are out and show no change.

Hardware—Business improving. Sporting goods active. Grain scoops in good demand, but scarce. Wire nails in letter demand. Canada plates scarce. Scrap iron dearer. Scrap rubber 1-4c higher.

Groceries—More active. Salmon very strong. Advertisers say British Columbia pack only thirty to forty per cent of last year. In some cases less than half of the contracts will be filled. Prices here are higher at \$1.30 to \$1.40. Cohoes will be higher owing to the scarcity. Sugar strong. Advance next week not unlikely. Japan teas dearer here. A bid of 1-2c below price asked for \$10,000 worth was not accepted. Higher prices for Japans will likely drive the trade to Young Hysons. Sago shilling dearer. Lard half cent lower. Currants firmer.

### TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 23.  
Receipts of live stock of all kinds at the semi-weekly market to-day were 50 carloads including 1,300 sheep and lambs and 2,000 hogs.  
Export cattle were a shade firmer, on buying to fill space. Prices at from \$1.20 to \$1.55 per 100 lbs. Butchers' cattle steady at \$1 to \$1.30 for choice, and \$3.10 to \$3.80 for medium to good; common 3c to 31-4c. Bulls—Heavy bulls sold at \$3.80 to \$4.10; feeders, \$3.80.  
Sheep—Choice sold at 31-4 to 31-2c medium 3c; bucks 23-4c; lambs 41-2 to 43-4c.

Hogs—Easier with heavy offerings. Choice hogs sold at 53-8 to 51-2c per lb.; light and thick hogs 43-4c; sows 3 to 31-2c; stags lower at 2 to 21-4c.

### FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, Aug. 26.  
Receipts of live stock to-day were 81 car loads including 2,700 hogs. The market was off all around to-day.  
Export cattle were 20c per 100 lbs. lower at \$4 to \$1.35 per 100 lbs. Butchers' cattle were also lower, and lower, the best selling at c. Sheep easier at 10c lower per 100 lbs. \$3.10 per 100 lbs. being the top price paid. Hogs were 1-8 to 1-4c lower, owing to continued large receipts.

### TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 27.  
The grain market is easy and very dull, as farmers refuse to sell their new crop at prices offered, consequently very little export business has been done yet. Manitoba flour is 10c

per barrel lower. Oats declined 1c, but recovered again and are about the same as a week ago.

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$4.80 to \$4.90. Manitoba bakers, \$4.40 to \$4.50 per barrel. Ontario straight roller, \$3 to \$3.25 per barrel, in wood, in car lots.

Wheat—Ontario red and white winter wheat, new, 68c to 69c, for cars at country points; No. 1 hard, 91c Toronto.

Oats—New white, 24 1-2 to 25c for cars at country points; old, 27c.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$12.50 to \$14.50 per ton at country points. Bran, \$8.50 to \$9 per ton.

Oatmeal—\$4 per barrel for car lots and, \$3.90 in bags.

Eggs—11 to 12 1-2c for choice candled.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 13 to 15c; for choice fresh goods; medium grades, 11 to 12c; creamery, tubs, 17 1-2 to 18 1-2c.

Hides—No 1 green, 9c; cured, 9 1-2c; sheepskins 50 to 55c; lambskins, 50 to 55c; calfskins, 8 to 10c; tallow, 3 1-2 to 4c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 16c; unwashed, 10 to 10 1-2c.

Beans—50 to 95c per bushel as to quality.

### BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS.

Liverpool, Aug. 22.—The cattle market to-day was quiet. United States cattle sold at 53-8d and Canadians 5d; Argentines, 41-2d. Argentine sheep wool, were quoted at 53-4d; clipped, 51-2d; and Canadian, 5d to 5 1-4d.

### MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.

Flour—Flour is 10 to 15c lower; millfeed 1c lower; oats 11-2c lower; corn 3-4c lower; flax seed 1c higher; dairy butter 1-2c lower; hides 1-8c higher; calfskins 1-4c higher; seneca root 1-2c higher, compared with a week ago.

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$4.20 to \$4.40; second patents, \$4 to \$4.20.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$8 to \$8.25; bran in bulk, \$7 to \$7.25; corn feed, \$12 to \$13.50 per ton, as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 29 1-4c for No. 3.

Oats—Oats held at 21 3-8c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Feed quoted at 26 to 27c; new malting, 30 to 38c.

Flax seed—\$6 1-2c per bushel.

Eggs—10c for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 6 to 7c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 7 to 10c; fair to good, 6c.

Butter—Creamery, 17 1-2 to 18 1-2c; seconds, 13 to 14c; dairy 13 to 16 1-2c, for choice to fancy.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 5 to 7c; lamb, 5 to 10c.

Potatoes—New car lots mixed, 28 to 30c.

Poultry—Hens, 7 1-2c, roosters, 4c; spring chickens, 7 1-2c; turkeys, 7 1-2 to 8c; ducks, 6 to 7c; geese, 5c; all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides 95-8c for No. 1; 85-8c No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 7 1-4 to 85-8c; sheepskins, 10 to 20c each; veal calf, 93-4 to 11 1-4c; tallow, 21-2 to 33-8c; seneca root, 20 to 22 1-2c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 10 to 12c; medium, 11 1-2 to 15 1-2c; coarse, 12 1-2 to 14c.

Hay—\$7.50 to \$8 per ton for timothy; mixed, \$5 to \$6.50.

Thos. Cowan, butcher, Winnipeg, is reported to be giving up business.