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ESTABLISHED 1817.

Capital all Paid-up - \$12,000,000  
Reserve Fund - 6,000,000  
Undivided Profits - 1,102,792

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A General Banking Business Transacted  
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DRAFTS SOLD—available at all points in Canada, United States and Europe.


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C. S. HOARE, Manager.

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Head Office, Ottawa.

Capital authorized, \$2,000,000		Capital subscribed, \$1,500,000
Capital paid up, \$1,170,000		Rest, \$330,000

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Balance, Business and responsibility warrant.

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\$6,000,000

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HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO

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Manager

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ESTABLISHED 1838.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER IN 1840.

Paid-up Capital - £1,000,000 Stg.  
Reserve Fund - £300,000 "

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H. Stikeman, General Manager, J. Elmy, Inspector.

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(INCORPORATED 1832)

HEAD OFFICE, HALIFAX

H. C. McLeod, Gen. Mgr.

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Reserve - \$1,880,612.36

In addition to twenty nine Canadian Offices, including Montreal and Toronto, Branches in the United States at Chicago, Ill., Boston, Mass., Calais, Me., in West Indies at Kingston, Jamaica, in Newfoundland at St. John's and Harbor Grace

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Should be the guides in the purchase of Rubbers.

## Big Discounts

Cut no figure when you have dissatisfied customers and goods returned on your hands.

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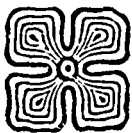
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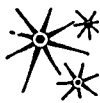
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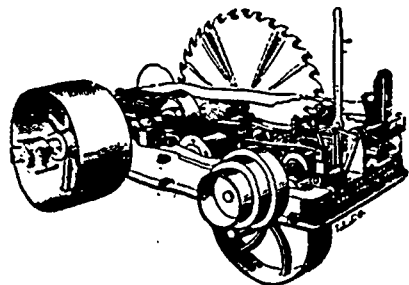
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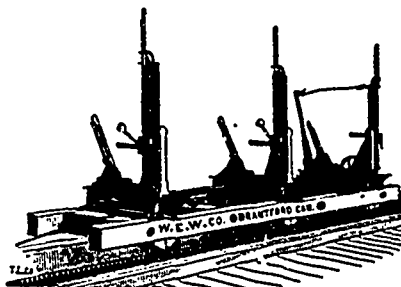
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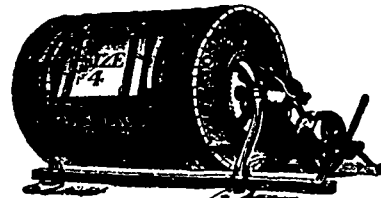
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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 19, 1899.

## EASTERN VISITORS IN THE WEST.

Western Canada has received a great deal of free advertising during the past few months through the medium of a large number of shrewd and observant business and professional men who have come up from the east and south to visit various sections of the west in which they have pecuniary or sentimental interests. This year, there has been a very much larger number of people than ever passing to and fro attracted by the reports of the rapidly developing riches of the west of both an agricultural and mineral nature and by the cheapness and rapidity with which the trip to the Pacific coast can be taken since the new Imperial Limited train service was inaugurated by the Canadian Pacific railway, and these visitors, many of whom are from the best and most intelligent circles, have carried away such good reports of what they saw and heard that others in their turn have been led to make the journey with the result that the west has received an amount of advertising which guarantees a far more intelligent understanding of its industries and capabilities than has been the case heretofore. The excursions of press associations which have visited this country have been perhaps the most valuable of all the advertising forces at work this year, and the mass of information which was gathered by these excursionists for use in the publications which they represented, ensures this country an amount of free advertising and a degree of intelligent editorial treatment that will be of very great value in the future.

Some of the best summaries of im-

pressions of the west gathered during visits made this year have been given by business men of Eastern Canada through the columns of the daily papers since their return. Most of the leading eastern papers have been following up this line of interviewing more closely than usual and have thereby gained and given to their readers information which would not otherwise be readily available to the public. As a general rule these business men have come west to look after personal investments and have applied themselves to the study of the resources and prospects of the country a great deal more diligently and in a more critical manner than those who come merely on pleasure bent. For this reason their opinions are all the more studied and valuable.

Every part of western Canada, from the Great Lakes to the Pacific coast, has been made the subject of careful study by eastern visitors. The gold bearing regions of Northwestern Ontario, the wheat fields of Manitoba and Assinibola, the cattle ranges of Alberta, and the mining, fishing and lumbering industries of British Columbia have all been made subjects of more or less close attention. It is a pleasure to notice that in every case where results of such enquiries have been made public the opinion was the same, that the west is proving to be a country of wonderful resources. The rate of development which it has shown this past few years astonishes all who see it for themselves. It is true that as yet this development is pretty much in the initiatory stage, with the exception perhaps of a few older industries, and that a great many serious problems relating to means of communication, capitalization, population, etc., remains to be settled before the west may be said to have secured all that is needed to ensure its fullest development, but these questions are settling themselves rapidly guided by the intelligence of the people. When the full results of this year's growth come to be recorded it will be found to have fully justified the numerous kindly reports which have been made by friends from other parts as to the growth of Greater Canada.

## FOLLOWING THE MARKETS.

The unusual conditions which exist this year in regard to the values of many of the staple articles of consumption which are handled by retail stores makes it necessary for this class of dealers to be exceedingly watchful in buying and selling so as to get the benefit of improved opportunities for profit making. Prices have risen to such an extent on many staple lines of goods that the spectacle is

often witnessed of a retailer endeavoring to sell goods over his counter at prices which are considerably below what they could be replaced for by the wholesale house or even the manufacturer. Stocks of goods have been bought at a time when prices were lower, carried for a time in the shelves of the retail stores and are now being sold for the price originally marked upon them.

It is never wise to exact an unreasonable price for goods because of some advantage, which makes it possible for either a retail or wholesale house to do so, but no fair-minded customer will ever object to paying a price for an article which shows a reasonable margin over the prevailing wholesale price. To argue that the goods were bought at a time when wholesale prices were lower is simply to ignore one of the most widely accepted principles of business, namely, that the trader should always endeavor to buy on a cheap market and sell on a dear one. The farmers, with whom most of the retail merchants of Manitoba deal more or less, are the most exacting class in this respect. They want every fraction of a cent of the rise in prices, if one has occurred, when they come to sell their grain, and rightly so. They have better backbone when it comes to fixing the price of what they have to sell than many of the merchants with whom they deal.

For a number of years the profits of the retail trade in this country have been anything but remunerative, as a rule, to the merchants. Competition has been keen and prices cut down to a low point. Now, on a rising market they have a chance to inaugurate a better state of affairs and they should not hesitate to do it.

It is not meant by the foregoing that on every article sold a profit should be exacted. It has often been pointed out in these columns that the merchant who when he finds a certain line of goods, or portion of a line, hanging sale, makes up his mind to clear it out even at a loss rather than encumber his shelves with unsaleable stock, shows the most business sagacity. The point to be noticed is that when, as is the case at present, prices are continually advancing the retailer should to a reasonable extent follow the advances and thus secure for himself the profits which his foresight in buying have made possible.

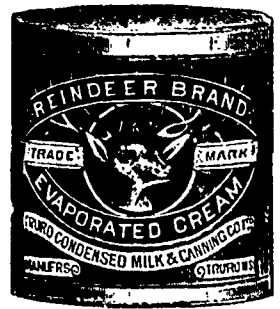
Andrews & Andrews, barristers, Winnipeg, have added another partner to their firm in the person of H. F. Maulson. The firm will now be known as Andrews, Andrews & Maulson.

The rate of taxation in Winnipeg for the current year has been struck at 21.2 mills, as against 21.5 mills last year. There has been an increase of assessment of nearly two-thirds of a million dollars.

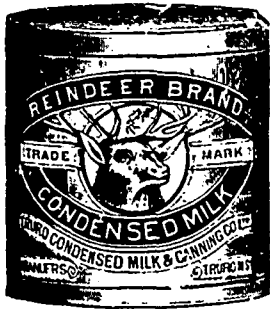
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All Winnipeg wholesale grocers will quote

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

We are manufacturers of all kinds of BRITISH COLUMBIA FIR, SPRUCE and CEDAR LUMBER. We also carry in stock a full supply of Pine, Native Spruce, Building Material. Also Perfect Maple and Birch Flooring, (end matched, hollow back, bored and polished), Red and White Oak, Lath and Shingles, Sash, Doors and Mouldings, Cedar and Tamarac Posts, Building Paper, etc., etc., at bottom prices, guaranteeing satisfaction.

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## CROP REPORTS.

The Northern Pacific railway crop report for the week ending August 14th is as follows:

**Brandon**—Have had two or three nice showers during the week, the weather remaining cool. We require warmer weather now to ripen the grain. There will only be an odd piece fit to cut before the end of next week.

**Routhwaite**—A very little barley and oats cut and a small quantity of wheat ready to cut. Wheat cutting will not be general for about ten days. Haying nearly finished and a good crop. Vegetables looking well, but a little late. Weather has been very warm to cool at the end of the week.

**Wawanesa**—Weather during the past week has been changeable, clear and hot, and cloudy, with light rain. The crops are filling out fine and turning fair. Cutting will commence in about five days in this vicinity. No damage by hail.

**Hilton**—The condition of the crops has been improved by a good run on the 3th inst. with warm weather following. Wheat filling in good shape with every indication of well filled head and good grain. Prospect of harvest to commence Aug. 20th to 25th. All small grains doing very well. Potatoes and vegetables in splendid condition. Haying two-thirds complete with the crop up to the usual average.

**Belmont**—There is an easier feeling now as regards dangers to the crop, as it is after the time to look for hail, and the cold spell we had for a few some time ago might take the place of the frosts we look for between the 12th and 20th of this month each year. The crop is ripening slowly and want two weeks warm weather anyway, to make it ready for cutting. The past week has been wet and fairly warm (altogether favorable. Some rust is reported but only on the leaves, no danger is anticipated from this. One farmer will start cutting oats to-day.

**Nette**—Crops of all kinds doing fairly well in this district. Some of the earliest fields of wheat will be ready for harvest about the 20th of month. Weather during the past week has been mostly showery and cool. Farmers complain that the showery weather is causing the wheat to rust, but cannot say yet if it will seriously damage the wheat crop. Haying operations are almost at a standstill on account of the wet weather.

**Dunreith**—The crops in this district are exceptionally fine and promise a good yield, far in excess of the past few years. Wheat is turning and the farmers are all getting their binders into shape to cut one of the largest crops ever grown in Manitoba. The root crop is doing nicely and will be great yield. It is hoped hail and frost will keep away. Wild fruit is also plentiful.

**Minto**—Wheat is filling out in good shape and the crops in general are making good headway. It has rained considerably during the past week, which will be very beneficial. Farmers are now busy cutting hay, which is reported to be a fine crop. Roots and vegetables are doing well and will be an average crop.

**Elgin**—Nothing occurred since last report to change the crop situation. The grain is now turning and harvest should commence in a week or ten days. It is reported that cutting

has already commenced north of Hartney, in the same region. The heavy rain of last week had a tendency to fill out some of the late oats, etc.

**Balcar**—The weather since last report has been mostly wet and cloudy and not very favorable for the ripening of grain or cutting of hay. The farmers are beginning to fear that frost will come before the grain is ripe, although some cutting is expected to be done the latter part of next week. The crops generally are looking exceptionally fine and promise an average yield of 18 to 20 bushels per acre of wheat, and other grains in proportion.

**Somers**—Weather the past week has been very wet and cool, but all grain looking fine. Some farmers expect to start cutting in about ten days.

**Altmont**—Owing to the continued cold weather during the past week the crops have advanced but very little. They are looking well, but farmers are anxiously looking for warmer weather to ripen them. The yield is about fair and a considerable quantity has been saved.

**Miami**—The weather since last report has been very wet and cool. Haying is being delayed as well as hay being damaged by the wet weather. Several farmers have commenced cutting wheat; yield will be between 30 to 25 bushels to the acre, and of fine quality. What is wanted now is dry hot weather, and with plenty of help a large return is sure.

**Roland**—Grain is now ripening fast. Several fields of wheat were cut this week, but the greater part will not be ready to cut until the 20th. To all appearances there is every indication of an abundant yield. Hay making and barley cutting is in full swing. The farmer is seriously hindered on account of the water standing on the meadows. Weather mostly cloudy with low temperature and a heavy fog on the 9th.

**Morris**—Wheat crop ripening fast. Some farmers have already commenced harvesting barley and oats. A number of farmers will commence cutting wheat Monday. We have had very cloudy and damp weather the past few days, but to-day weather looks very promising. By next report harvesting will be general.

**St. Jean**—Had rain during the past week with some hail. Grain doing well.

**Letellier**—Crop still continues in good condition, maturing and ripening rapidly. Some barley already out. A few fields of wheat will be ready by the 20th, and cutting will be general in two weeks' time. Wheat will average not less than 20 bushels per acre, with oats and barley a good crop. Weather favorable. No damage by hail or frost.

**Emerson**—Grain ripening fast, some has been cut in this vicinity, and will be general next week. Weather rather unsettled. There was some frost on the night of the 12th which injured tender garden stuff.

**Portage la Prairie**—Since last report considerable rain has fallen in this vicinity, but the grain crop is rapidly maturing. I have heard of some barley being cut, but it will be nearly a week with fine warm weather before much of this grain will be harvested, and fully two weeks before much of the wheat will be cut. There are no unfavorable circumstances to report.

## AT PLUM COULEE.

**Plum Coulee, Aug. 14.**—Wheat harvesting began last Wednesday, when Mr. Kempel cut a fine field just east

of the town. Some barley south of here had been cut the latter part of the week before last. The yield will be much better than last year and everybody is delighted with the prospects.

## IN THE BURNSIDE DISTRICT.

**Burnside, Aug. 14.**—The crops are rapidly changing color and if the weather continues fine harvesting will be general the latter part of the week. Several farmers have their barley cut but on account of the past week being wet both harvesting and haying have been much retarded. The majority of the farmers have finished haying and on account of the wet considerable hay will be left standing this year.

## AT NINGA.

**Ninga, July 14.**—Haying is in full blast and although the weather has been very "catchy," a large quantity is already in stack. The crops are looking exceptionally fine in this district and with favorable weather cutting will begin in a week or ten days.

## ST. ANDREWS.

**St. Andrews, July 14.**—The crops are looking splendid; by appearance they will be the best in years. Hay making is very slow owing to the wet weather. The hay will not be of the best quality. The vegetable crop will be remarkably good.

## C. P. R. Extensions.

H. D. Lumsden, consulting engineer of the C. P. R. returned Saturday from a trip of inspection over all the extensions now being constructed in Manitoba by the company. To a Press representative Mr. Lumsden stated the work on all the extensions was progressing very satisfactorily. The Snow Lake line from La Riviere will be completed by the end of the month if the weather remains favorable, some sixteen miles having been graded already. The Pipestone line has been graded for about seven miles from Antler, the present terminus of the extension, and Contractor Stravel hopes to complete the fifty miles of roadbed contracts for by November 10th, when a point a few miles west of Carlyle, in the Moose Mountain district, will be reached. In the Waskada extension three miles of road has been graded and the work will be finished by the middle of September.

Contractor E. Egan started work on Saturday at McGregor, on the line to run from there to intersect the Great Northwest Central line at a point between Varcoe and Forrest. Fifty-five miles of the road will be completed this year, which will take it to the G. N. W. Central. This line will run about midway between the C. P. R. and M. & N. W. roads and will occupy the same territory through which the Northern Pacific intends running the extension of their Portage branch.

T. B. Brock, of Nicholson & Brock, bird seed dealers, Toronto, is in Winnipeg.

J. H. Anderson & Co., produce merchants, Winnipeg, have completed an agreement with Gordon, Ironsides & Fares for the entire output of cattle meats from their abattoir at Winnipeg.

An excursion comprising members of the Winnipeg board of trade and city council will leave for West Selkirk on Monday evening, Aug. 23, and will take the boat for Lake Winnipeg next morning, spending a week on the lake.



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**Crops Along the M. & N. W.**

The following crop report has been received at the M. & N. W. railway offices here from agents at the various stations on the line:

**Westbourne**—Crops all doing fairly well, but owing to dull cloudy weather of the past week harvest will not be general before the 25th inst., about a week later than last year. General opinion is that the wheat crop will be fully up to the average, from 25 to 25 bushels per acre expected. Oats and barley are a very good crop and a good yield expected. No damage of any kind reported in this district.

**Gladstone**—Barley cutting has commenced. Oat cutting will commence in about two weeks. Wheat cutting about 21st inst. Grain of all kinds in excellent condition and it is expected that wheat will average 25 bushels to the acre. No damage.

**Midway**—For the past two weeks the weather has been fair and wheat is reported as ripening fast. Wheat cutting will commence about the middle of next week, about a week later than last year. Yield expected to average from 20 to 25 bushels to the acre. Oats and barley are a good crop. No damage reported in this district.

**Arden**—The crop since last report has advanced rapidly. Some wheat in the immediate vicinity is ready to cut. Wheat in general is thin on the ground, but being strong and well headed promises an average yield of about 20 bushels per acre. Barley and oats coming on well, and barring accidents will be a good crop. Harvest will be general about the 22nd. No damage by frost and not enough hail to do any harm.

**Neepawa**—Crop conditions are very fair. Cutting of oats has commenced in some places and cutting of all grain should be general inside of two weeks. Cloudy cool weather has somewhat retarded ripening grain during the last ten days. No damage by frost yet reported, a few farms were damaged slightly by hail twelve miles north of here.

**Franklin**—The crops in this vicinity are looking well and it is expected will yield fully as well or a little better than last year. Wheat harvest will be a week or ten days later than last year. Barley is coming along quickly and will be ready to cut beginning of next week. Wheat expected to average 30 bushels to the acre, oats 40 and barley 25. No damage reported.

**Minnedosa**—Weather still continues cool and harvesting will not commence as early as was expected, very little wheat will be cut before 1st September unless weather turns warmer. Barley will be ready about 25th. Probable yield, wheat 25 bushels per acre, oats 55 to 60, barley 40 to 45. No damage at all reported in this district.

**Rapid City**—Grain turning nicely, a few fields of barley will be cut this week, wheat and oat cutting, it is expected, will be general about 25th. Yield of wheat and oats promises to exceed that of last year about 10 per cent, viz., wheat about twenty-five bushels per acre and oats thirty-five bushels per acre. Weather is now favorable for ripening grain. No damage reported.

**Newdale**—Wheat and oats filling and ripening nicely. Harvest will start about 1st of this month. Average yield expected to be, wheat 25 to 30

bushels to acre, oats 35 to 45, barley 25. Crop is now a few days earlier than last year. No damage by hail or frost.

**Strathclair**—Crops in some places beginning to turn and a few will commence cutting in about a week, but will not be general before 28th, which is ten days later than last year. Wheat will be a better crop than last year; estimated yield 22 bushels to the acre. Oat crop is light. No damage reported.

**Shoal Lake**—Harvest will commence here about 1st September. Wheat is in good condition, well headed out and will be a very fair crop. Average yield expected, wheat 18 to 20 bushels to the acre; oats from 30 to 35. No damage reported.

**Birtle**—Since last report weather has been fairly good for growing crops, which are coming on nicely. Wheat cutting will commence about 20th; yield expected, on heavy land, from 25 to 30 bushels per acre; on light land, 15 bushels. Oats will be a fairly good crop. Both wheat and oats about a week or ten days later than last year. No damage by frost or hail.

**Binscarth**—Wheat in this district filling up and ripening fast. It has every appearance of a good yield and will average about 25 bushels per acre. Some wheat will be cut the beginning of next week, but the harvest will not be general until about 25th. Oats are coming on fast and will turn out better than expected, average yield from 35 to 40 bushels per acre. No damage reported.

**Russell**—Harvesting will not be general for some weeks, ten days or two weeks yet, which will be about a week later than last year. A few fields of barley have been cut but most of the fields are quite green yet. The frost of the 4th inst. has not done as much damage as was thought at the time, and only a very small proportion of the grain appears to have been affected. Wheat is expected to average from 25 to 30 bushels per acre, while oats will only be a fair crop running from 35 to 40 bushels.

**Langenburg**—Crops in this district are looking fine and filling out well. Wheat beginning to turn in most places, cutting will commence about 25th and average expected to be 20 bushels per acre. Oat crop is improving wonderfully and promises an average crop, about 30 bushels per acre. No damage reported so far.

**Saltecoats**—Grain in this district looking well and filling out nicely. Weather has been favorable for past ten days. Harvesting will begin about 25th. Wheat yield expected 20 bushels per acre; oats about 30. No damage.

**Yorkton**—Since last report weather has been fine for growing crops, and all kinds of grain are looking splendid. Prospects are good for grain filling well, and an average yield is expected. Harvest will commence about 25th. No damage reported in this district.

G. J. Maulson, of Winnipeg, left for Detroit this week for a vacation.

The Manitoba government estimates that 8,000 men will be required for work in the harvest fields this season. Their original estimate was 6,000.

The Winnipeg water commissioner will ask the city council to purchase a new pump for the waterworks, one capable of pumping 1,500,000 gallons per twenty-four hours.

**The Ontario Harvest.**

Toronto, Aug. 16.—The following are the crop estimates for 1899 as compiled by the Ontario department of agriculture. The acreages are final but the yield, except in the case of hay, will be revised in November from the actual threshing results:

Fall wheat has an area of 1,049,081 acres, yielding 14,401,314 bushels or an average of 13.5 bushels per acre. Last year 1,048,000 acres gave 25,158,713 bushels or 24 bushels an acre. The average for seventeen years, 1889 to 1899 was 900,382 acres giving 18,442,511 bushels or 20.5 bushels per acre. The yield for 1899 is therefore abnormally good one. There were 214,735 acres of fall wheat ploughed this spring, or over one-sixth of the area sown.

Spring wheat has an acreage of 398,726, yielding 7,087,977 bushels or an average of 17.8 bushels per acre. This is a good showing, as last year the acreage was 389,205 and the total yield 6,873,785 bushels, an average of 17.7 bushels per acre, while the average for the seventeen years is 17.8 bushels per acre.

Barley: 490,374 acres of barley gave 14,626,922 bushels or 29.8 bushels per acre; average yield for 1882-98 is 25.8.

Oats: This crop has the largest area of grains. The 2,363,778 acres have yielded 89,542,162 bushels, being an average of 37.9 bushels per acre. Last year's acreage was 2,376,360 and the total yield was 86,858,293 bushels, or 36.5 bushels per acre. The average for the seventeen years is 34.5 bushels per acre.

**Argentine Crops.**

"Apparently reliable statistics of the Argentine wheat crop of 1892-99 give the acreage at 5,300,000 acres and the yield at about 15 bushels per acre, with the result of the largest crop ever grown, about 80,000,000 bushels," says the Philadelphia Press. "The estimated home requirements are 25,000,000 bushels and the exportable surplus is about 55,000,000 bushels, of which 36,000,000 bushels were exported up to the middle of June. The area devoted to agriculture in Argentina and the surplus of grain available for export compared with the shipments for last year may be briefly summed up as follows:

	Acreage.	Yield, 1899.	Yield, 1898.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
Wheat	5,300,000	80,000,000	50,000,000
Corn	6,030,000	90,000,000	60,000,000
Linnseed	250,000	5,000,000	6,500,000

So far as land suitable for the cultivation of cereals is concerned, the production of Argentina might be quadrupled in the course of the next few years, immense areas well adapted for wheat growing being still untouched in the provinces of Buenos Ayres, Cordova, Entre Rios, and to a smaller extent in Santa Fe. The cultivation of corn increased to the maximum last year, and it is estimated that the exportable surplus is 60,000,000 bushels. Freight on corn destined for the European markets averages about \$5.75 per ton, and the high price of labor and the fall in the gold premium leaves but little profit to the Argentine farmer on this crop. The heavy agricultural yield has added largely to the profits of Argentine railroads in the last few months."

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GRAIN AND MILLING.

NORTHWESTERN STATES CROP MOVEMENT.

The new grain crop of the northwest will now be coming into market with increased movement until the normal shipments of a new crop are realized, says the Minneapolis Market Record. Prices are not such as to justify any great hurry in the movement, but normal receipts for this season of the year may be expected if the weather continues propitious for harvesting and threshing operations. No money stringency to facilitate operation is now expected, for the issue of gold certificate by the government relieves any anxiety in that respect. These gold certificates are expected to be substituted for the greenback reserves held by the banks, releasing them to move the fall crops. While the wheat production is low expected to yield something like 130 million bushels or thereabouts less than the yield of last year, there is enough of the new crop and the old to show considerable activity during the autumn, in addition to which a large crop of other small grain has been secured. There is a large crop of oats, barley, rye and in the northwest flax. These altogether will create quite as great activity in the northwest as a year ago, employing the full capacity of roads that are the principal grain carriers in the northwest. Prices while not as high as producers would like, are as high as they were a year ago but owing to the large crop of 1898 and the fairly remunerative prices farmers are in good financial circumstances and the bulk of them will not hurry to market faster than their own judgment will dictate.

GRAIN AND MILLING NOTES.

The La Riviere, Man., roller mill has been sold to parties from Winkler, Man. The names of the purchasers have not been given.

The flour mill of Bulloch & Son at Melita, Man., will be closed for a few weeks during the placing of an additional boiler and other improvements.

The Wolseley Milling company, of Wolseley, Assn., is enlarging its engine and boiler room preparatory to putting in an engine of much greater horse power.

W. W. Ogilvie and manager, F. W. Thompson, of Winnipeg, arrived at Fort William on Saturday last to look into the matter of the proposed elevator and mill at that point. The site selected is on the west banks of the Kaministiquia river. It is proposed to erect an elevator of a capacity of not less than 500,000 bushels and a mill seven stories high, with a daily capacity of 2,500 barrels to be completed within two years, the town to donate the site selected, and to exempt the property from taxes, excepting the school tax, for ten years. The proposition regarding a site, etc., will be voted before the ratepayers for their vote at an early date.

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Statistical Wheat Report.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Montreal	170,000
Toronto	88,000
Kingston	37,000
Coleau, Que.	291,000
Depot Harbor, Ont.	28,000
Prescott, Ont.	20,000
Winnipeg	252,000
Manitoba elevators	1,065,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	2,195,000

Total Aug. 5	4,011,000
Total a year ago	795,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS. Total stocks in the United States and Canada, as reported by Bradstreet's on Aug. 5, were 49,151,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 11,420,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on August 1 were 4,188,000 bushels, compared with 2,608,000 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 Aug. 12, was 36,306,000 bushels, being a decrease of 806,000 bushels for the week, a year ago the visible supply was 4,897,000 bushels, two years ago 17,226,000 bushels, three years ago 46,754,000 bushels, and four years ago 38,517,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 3,487,000 bushels, compared with 3,018,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 10,161,000 bushels, compared with 16,017,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe and afloat for Europe on Aug. 1 in each year for a series of years, were as follows:—Bradstreet's report:

Year	Bushels.
1899	119,110,000
1898	59,733,000
1897	61,040,000
1896	108,351,000
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 movement, Aug. 1, 1899, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

City	This crop.	Last crop.
Minneapolis	1,108,710	685,450
Milwaukee	254,800	318,145
Duluth	873,769	81,190
Chicago	1,904,180	1,031,698
Total	3,240,459	2,119,483

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, 1899, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

City	This crop.	Last crop.
Toledo	6,158,056	3,578,067
St. Louis	2,784,469	1,075,047
Detroit	508,285	725,223
Kansas City	2,355,955	3,435,400
Total	11,804,715	9,411,749

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## THE GROCERY TRADE.

## GROCERY TRADE NOTES.

Lobsters on the Newfoundland coast are becoming scarcer and smaller every year.

A syndicate has been formed in western Ontario which now controls over 100,000 cases of this season's pack of corn, their latest purchase being made at 72 1-2c per dozen.

The eastern market for Barbadoes molasses is firm, but the volume of business is small owing to the fact that buyers and sellers are somewhat apart in their views. Holders at Montreal are firm, at 3 1-2c.

The cod fishing industry of Newfoundland has now a much brighter outlook than it had a few weeks ago and the catch will likely be an average one. The price of these fish is higher than it has been for years.

The cutting of prices by Montreal wholesale grocers is now said to be at end but the manner of settlement of the dispute between the grocery houses and refiners is not yet made public. The sugar market at Montreal was firm at the date of our last mail advices.

In regard to the Pacific coast salmon pack this season latest advices state that it will undoubtedly fall far short of last year, some estimates placing the shortage at 200,000 cases, including both spring and fall packs. Advices to July 28th make the pack on the Sound to date 162,000 cases.

Advices to July 28 give the British Columbia pack of sockeye salmon as follows: Frazer River, 80,000 cases; Nass River, 6,500 cases; Skeena River, 35,000 cases; Lowe Inlet, 4,500 cases; River's Inlet, 29,500 cases, and Alert Bay, 1,500, a total of 157,000 cases. Last year's total pack amounted to 375,000 cases.

Following are the current quotations for Canned fruit at Montreal: Apples, 3 lbs., 75c; preserved, \$1.40; one gallon tins, 82c; peaches, 3 lbs., \$1.80; plums, 3 lbs., \$1.60; greenpeaches, 3 lbs., \$1.75; yellow peaches, 3 lbs., \$2.25; pumpkins, 3 lbs., \$3.65; strawberries preserved, \$1.35; do., in syrup, \$1.15; raspberries, preserved, \$1.40; do., in syrup, \$1.15.

The position of the Canadian spot market for dried fruit is strong, all the stock in first hands being now completely exhausted. A late cable from India reported the market strong and quoted fine off stalk, Valencia raisins at 16s f. o. b. for first shipment, via Liverpool, which figure is equal to a fraction over 5c laid down at Montreal. By the first direct steamer the same quality of fruit is offered at a price equal to 4 1-2c Montreal.

## Dry Goods Trade Notes.

Importers of raw silk are very confident in higher prices and are very generally maintaining ruling prices.

The Manchester dry goods market report a run on goods into which mercerized yarns enter. Mohair crepons (which for some time have been a great success), cotton satin linings in black, and other linings, fancy cotton summer goods, etc., are included under this heading.

The Equitable Life Assurance company has issued a pamphlet commemorative of the 40th anniversary of its existence. The issue contains a full history of the company to date with illustrations.

## THE HARDWARE TRADE

## IRON STILL RISING.

The remarkable strength in iron and metals of all sorts continues, says the Montreal Gazette of Aug. 11. Last week advances in both tin and Canada plates were noted. They have been supplemented this week by further material gains, Canada plate being 20c higher, at \$2.60; coke tin plate, 40c, at \$4.10, and charcoal 50c at \$4.80 base. Terne plates have advanced another 25c to \$7.50, and black sheets are 20c up all round, 8 to 16 being \$3; 18 to 20, \$2.40; 22 to 24, \$2.60; 26, \$2.65 and 28 gauge, \$2.70. Ingot tin has shown some fluctuation in response to the variation abroad. For instance, at the beginning of the week business was done in it at 32c to 33c, but now the inside price for round lots is 35c. Spot Straits was cabled yesterday, from London, at £145 5s. and at Singapore £145 15s. Lead has been firmer in London, but is unchanged here at \$1.50, while ingot copper which advanced to £76 10s, for spot, in London, is unchanged here, at 19 1-2c. Leading brands of Scotch pig iron ore bell firm at \$21, and no quotation is obtainable on domestic pig. At United States centres all heavy material continues firm, the most notable change being a further advance of \$1 per ton in billets to \$35.

## A SIGN OF PROSPERITY.

The common saying that the iron market is an indication of commercial and industrial conditions is sustained by the present situation. There is no sign of reaction from the recent phenomenal advance, and there is news of depleted stocks with distress among foundries and rolling mills. So far as iron is the most important line of raw material, every expansion of industry and commerce must be reflected in an increased demand for it. The peculiar nature of the business, the small stocks carried and the difficulty of increasing the output to meet a sudden demand are among the causes which intensify the effect of such a demand on prices. According to the bulletin of the American Iron and Steel Association, the number of furnaces active at the end of June, 1899, was 240 against 202 at the same date last year, a gain of only 35, which leaves 175 furnaces still idle. This shows the difficulty of increasing the output. Considered in connection with the fact that the stock carried rarely exceeds three weeks' consumption, it is easy to understand the effect of a sudden demand. The total production of pig in the first half of the year was 6,289,167 gross tons, a gain of 7 per cent over the production of the first half of 1898, and of 6.5 per cent over the output in the second half, when the present activity of iron and steel first began to be felt. This production was at the rate of 1,050,000 tons per month, and it seems probable that if it had not been for the very severe weather of February and March, which interfered with active furnaces and with preparations for putting idle furnaces in blast, the aggregate for the first half of 1899 would have been much larger.

Yet many see in the iron situation not only an evidence of activity but a danger of stagnation and collapse. The price has certainly obstructed many important lines of industry, thus lessening the openings for both capital and labor. It is even feared that an actual famine may bring many important industries to a stand-

still. The stock unsold in the hands of manufacturers or their agents on June 30th, 1899, amounted to 81,220 tons, against 571,577 tons on the same date a year ago, and 291,233 tons on December 1, 1898. If the quantity in warrant yards is added to the above stock, there is a total of 127,193 tons visible, against a total of 415,333 tons at the opening of the year. Not only has the production of 1899, 6,289,000 tons, gone into consumption, but manufacturers' stocks are smaller by 210,000 tons than they were at the opening of the year and the quantity on the market is 285,000 tons smaller, showing a consumption during the first half of 1899 aggregating 6,577,000 tons. Against all gloomy forebodings there are the opinions of many leading iron manufacturers of the United States that the capacity for producing pig-iron is equal to any demand that is likely to arise this year, and that the reserve capacity may be drawn on to an increasing extent without exhaustion. There may be some consolation in this, but the industries feeling the effects of the famine prices will find little relief in the assurance that there will be no famine. One effect of this scarcity will be a more rapid development of Canada's resources in iron ore. The increased price has already brought renewed prosperity to this important line of production, and there is general activity in the iron-producing districts. Not only in the maritime provinces, where contiguous iron and coal deposits afford unsurpassed facilities, but in Ontario, Quebec and the west there are iron deposits to be developed. The stimulus of high prices has come at an opportune time, and the iron industry could scarcely have more favorable conditions for rapid expansion.—Globe.

## HARDWARE TRADE NOTES.

A firmer feeling prevails in eastern cities owing to the recent sharp advance in prices abroad.

Manufacturers of registers in Canada announced, on August 10, an advance of 10 per cent in the price of registers, the discount being 60 and 10 per cent, instead of 60, 10 and 10 per cent.

The advance in turpentine prices reported last week was due primarily to bullish advices from Savannah, which state that widespread damage has been done in producing districts, which will materially lessen the supply.

According to the current number of the American Manufacturer and Iron World, the largest pig iron tonnage in the history of the United States was produced during the month of July, the estimated production and the capacity being figured up to Aug. 1. In gross tons the estimated weekly output was 269,432 tons on August 1, as against 256,576 tons for the month previous, which shows an increase of 12,154 tons in weekly tonnage.

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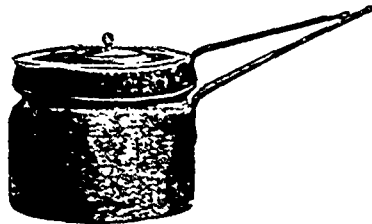
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The annual report of the department of interior of the Dominion of Canada states that the timber dues collected during the year 1898 amounted to \$119,769.03, being an increase of \$50,274.85 as compared with the previous year. Of this amount, \$21,081.26 was for bonuses, ground rents, royalties and dues on timber cut from lands in the railway belt in the province of British Columbia. The total revenue received from timber in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, and the Yukon territory, up to July 1st, 1898, was \$1,569,593.17, and the total revenue from timber within the railway belt of British Columbia up to same date, \$326,086.19. During the year 39,096,407 feet board measure of lumber were manufactured from timber cut under license in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, and in the railway belt in British Columbia.

The crown timber agent at Winnipeg gives the following information in regard to the quantity of lumber disposed of in Manitoba and as far west as Regina:

Red and white pine from the Lake of the Woods manufactured principally from logs brought from the state of Minnesota, 1897, 45,000,000 feet, 1898, 53,000,000 feet. Red and white pine from points lying east of Rat Portage, all cut from Canadian logs, 1897, 10,500,000 feet; 1898, 13,000,000. United States pine manufactured imported from the state of Minnesota, 1897, 16,871,104 feet; 1898, 35,751,960. Canadian spruce manufactured from timber cut in Manitoba, 1897, 14,241,909 feet; 1898, 15,267,011 feet. British Columbia products, 1897, 6,000,000 feet; 1898, 9,000,000. Total, 1897, 92,613,013 feet; 1898, 125,019,001 feet.

The number of timber berths granted in the province of Manitoba and the Territories is 306, and within the railway belt in British Columbia 166. Fifty-one berths have been granted in the Yukon territory, covering a total area of 201-2 square miles.

The report states that it has been decided not to issue permits to cut timber on Dominion lands along the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains and the foothill country adjacent thereto south of Bow river, and to preserve the timber as far as possible from being destroyed, with the view of securing a permanent supply of water for irrigation purposes.

Mr. E. F. Stephenson, crown timber agent at Winnipeg, in a report to the department, gives the following statement of importations of lumber from the United States since that commodity was placed on the free list:

Oct. 31.	Dressed.	Undressed.
1893	180,306	1,174,747
1894	647,388	3,073,195
1895	1,108,268	5,668,250
1896	2,103,857	9,853,863
1897	1,913,832	14,857,272
1898	4,219,438	31,532,522

—Canadian Lumberman.

**Ocean Grain Freight.**

The demand for ocean grain room during the past week has been limited, in consequence the market is quiet, but the tone is firm and rates have been fully maintained; in fact, in some instances they are higher. We quote: Liverpool, 2s; London, 2s 3d; to 2s 6d; Glasgow, 2s 3d; Bristol, 3s 3d; Manchester, 2s 3d; Antwerp, 3s 3d; Hamburg, 3s 3d; Belfast, 3s; Dublin, 3s; Leth, 3s; Aberdeen, 3s 6d to 4s and Cardiff, 2s 6d.—Montreal Gazette, Aug. 11.

**THE IMPLEMENT TRADE.**

**GRASS TWINE.**

Regarding grass twine it is stated that a process for the utilization of the grass was invented, and its manufacture has now developed into an extensive industry. The grass, brought to the warehouse in boats or in carloads, is carried by tramway to the combing rooms, where the short or refuse fibre or grass is separated, to be made afterward into bottle covers. The long and cleaned material passes to the spinning rooms, where long rows of machines evenly distribute the fibres, spin the twine, and cast around it a protecting thread, all of which is done in a continuous operation. From the spinners the twine passes to the winders, and is balled for binders or for looms in the weaving department, where it is made up into matting, rugs, etc. A strong tension is put on the twine in winding, and if any length of it should break under the strain it is rejected for binding, and sent on to the weaving room. The twine runs 250 feet to the pound, and is about three-sixteenths of an inch in diameter. In the weaving department the rugs, mats, linings, bagging, etc., turned out by the looms are made in all sizes and in a great variety of attractive patterns and shades.—Farm Implements.

**IMPLEMENT TRADE NOTES.**

"Nineteen binders and forty-nine mowers and rakes have been sold to Galicians at Edna and Limestone Lake, northern Alberta, and twenty more binders are ordered for the same district.

Last week it was stated in these columns that an advance was contemplated by United States manufacturers in the price of horse hay rakes. This advance has been fixed at 25 per cent over present prices and will go into effect on next year's sales.

**Fur Trade Notes.**

Present indications point to an increased demand for furs of finest quality, and careful consideration has been given to purchases abroad and preparations at home to meet the requirements of the season.—Fur Trade Review.

The New York Fur Trade Review says: The season of 1898-99 in the manufacture and sale of fine fur lined overcoats was extremely satisfactory to all concerned, and the goods made up were very generally sold; the indications for the coming season are regarded as very encouraging, and it is believed that, with favorable weather, an unusually large business in high class fur lined overcoats will be transacted by manufacturers and retailers.

The completion of another of the enterprises called forth by the opening of the Manchester ship canal was celebrated on Friday, 21st July, when the cold air stores, which have been erected by the Colonial Consignment and Distributing Company, Limited, were declared open. The stores occupy a unique position, having on the land side private railway sidings connecting with all railways and the Manchester docks, and the canal on the other. They have a capacity of 150,000 carcasses of sheep and other produce which requires cold air for its preservation, and altogether the new stores occupy an area of 3,000 square yards.

**Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.**

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard afloat, Fort William, 82 to 83 1-2c.  
 Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.35; best bakers' \$2.15.  
 Millstuffs—Bran, \$11 per ton; shorts, \$13, with \$1 per ton off for large lots.  
 Oats—For bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 38 to 40c.  
 Corn—Quoted at 42c per bushel of 56 lbs.  
 Barley—25c per bushel was offered for new barley to arrive.  
 Butter—Dairy jobbers' prices 12 to 13c; fresh creamery, 17 1-2 to 18c at factories.  
 Cheese—New, 8 to 8 1-2c to factories.  
 Eggs—13c per dozen net.  
 Hides—No. 1 green hides 7 1-2 to 8c.  
 Wool—9 to 9 1-2c for unwashed fleece.  
 Seneca—17c per lb.  
 Hay—Baled on track here, \$5 to \$6 per ton for local hay.  
 Potatoes—New potatoes, 40 to 50c per bushel.  
 Poultry—Turkeys, 10 to 11c per lb., live weight; live chickens, 50 to 60c per pair; spring chickens, 25 to 30c per pair; ducks, 65 to 70c per pair.  
 Dressed meats—Fresh killed beef, city dressed, 5 to 5 1-2c; mutton, 7 to 8c for fresh; hogs, 6 1-2 to 7c; veal, 6 to 7 1-2c.  
 Live stock—Cattle, grass fed, 3 to 3 1-4c off cars; hogs of cars, \$5 per 100 lbs. for best bacon; sheep, 3 1-2c off cars.

**Comparative Prices of Staples.**

Bradstreet's gives the following table of comparative prices at New York, in its last issue:

	Aug. 11, 1899.	Aug. 12, 1898.
Flour ... ..	\$3.10 to \$5.25	\$5.65 to \$8.75
Wheat ... ..	75 3-4	77 1-2
Corn ... ..	37 1-4	37 3-8
Oats ... ..	27	28
Rye ... ..	59	52
Cotton ... ..	61-2	61-16
Printcloths ... ..	23-4	2
Wool ... ..	52 to 33	40 to 31
Pork, mess ... ..	\$9 to \$9.75	\$9.50 to \$10
Lard ... ..	5.60	5.60
Butter, creamery	19 1-2	19
Cheese ... ..	9 1-4	7 1-4
Sugar, gran. ....	5 1-2	5 3-8
Coffee, Rio No. 7	6 1-4	6 3-4
Petroleum ... ..	7.80	6.40
*Iron, Bes. pig ...	21.75	19.25
*Steel billets, ton	35.00	15.25
*Steel rails ... ..	35.60	18.00
Copper ... ..	16.50	11.75
Lead ... ..	4.50	4.00
Fla. lb. ... ..	32.00	16.00
*Pittsburg,		

Charles F. Smith, president of the Montreal Board of Trade, accompanied by F. J. Hart, of one of the metropolis' largest wholesale houses, left Winnipeg for home last Sunday after spending a few days in the city. They have made a leisurely tour of inspection across the plains and in British Columbia, and will take a glowing estimate of western Canada east with them. They expressed themselves as simply amazed at the marvelous development of the country west of Winnipeg and spoke enthusiastically about the agricultural possibilities of the northwest and timber and mineral resources of British Columbia. Mr. Hart said to a reporter that after two days' at Vancouver, he came to the conclusion that it will take rank with Winnipeg and Montreal as one of the three future great cities of the Dominion. President Smith said that what he had seen after leaving Winnipeg proved a perfect revelation. Signs of prosperity were in evidence all along the line. He was much impressed with the progress manifested in Winnipeg.



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**FINANCIAL**

**BANK OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

The half-yearly general meeting of the Bank of British Columbia was held on July 19th, at the Cannon Street hotel, London, England, Henry J. Gardiner in the chair.

The chairman said: "It is a matter of regret that our esteemed chairman, Sir Robert Gillespie, is not presiding to-day. He is detained at home by indisposition, and desires me to say how sorry he is to be unable to occupy the chair. You are aware that it is not customary to present accounts of the bank's affairs at the July meeting, consequent upon the early date at which this meeting is always held. Printed accounts will be circulated amongst the shareholders, when they have been examined after arrival from the Pacific coast. I can, however, inform you, that the results as telegraphed to us, justify the directors in recommending a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum for the half year, carrying forward a balance slightly in excess of that which was brought forward in January last. The presence of the shareholders here to-day indicates their desire to have information as to the existing state of business in British Columbia, Oregon and California, and also as to the prospects of the present half-year.

Our advices state that the indications of trade, whether as regards California, Oregon or British Columbia, are all favorable, bearing evidence to increased activity and to developments of enterprise; but on the other hand we have to report that, with improving prospects comes also increased competition, and, consequent thereupon, increased difficulty of obtaining remuneration for the bank on the old scale, or on a scale which, in the opinion of the directors, is commensurate with the accommodation they are called upon to afford. This will be readily understood when I inform you that, whereas a few years ago there were only two banks, there are now more than eight banks operating in the province of British Columbia, in addition to other financial institutions who advance money on loan.

British Columbia, the chief seat of our operations, is a country of large possibilities, but, owing to its small population, of comparative slow developments. It is gilded by nature with qualities which warrant belief that at some future time it will rival the old country in population, wealth and industry, but these developments will not be in the time of any of those present in this room to-day. We must be content to do our part towards bringing about this state of affairs and endeavor to obtain benefit to the bank in connection with the circumstances and conditions which exist. It now only remains for me formally to propose: That a dividend be paid on the paid-up capital of the bank at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, free of income tax, for the half-year ended June 30th last, payable on or after the 22nd instant."

T. G. Gillespie seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously, without comment.

**THE MONEY MARKET.**

The prevailing bank discount rate is 7 per cent, with a range of 6 to 8 per cent as to name.

Mortgage loans range mostly at 6 to 7 per cent on Winnipeg property, with special large loans on most valuable properties ranging 1 to 11-2 per cent less. While the loan companies are holding for 8 per cent on ordinary farm property loans, an increasing number of loans are going through at 7 per cent.

**WINNIPEG CLEARING HOUSE.**

The clearing house returns this week compared with the corresponding week in previous years show as follows:

Week ended August 17, 1899.....	\$1,741,768
Corresponding week, 1898 .....	1,586,824
Corresponding week, 1897 .....	1,751,456

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

	1898.	1897.	1896.
Jan ... ..	\$6,347,168	\$5,009,518	\$4,977,200
Feb. ... ..	5,517,000	3,851,000	4,052,000
Mar ... ..	5,968,000	4,259,000	4,286,000
April ... ..	6,240,000	4,101,962	4,032,000
May ... ..	8,683,364	5,014,786	4,245,201
June ... ..	7,396,799	5,531,140	4,094,000
July ... ..	6,316,233	5,616,603	4,961,277
Aug. ... ..	6,160,385	6,298,574	4,616,959
Sept ... ..	6,114,551	8,035,201	4,630,706
Oct ... ..	9,347,092	12,291,879	7,585,472
Nov ... ..	11,553,069	13,550,761	8,895,175
Dec. ... ..	10,708,731	9,784,408	7,736,945

Year ... ..	90,672,798	83,455,121	64,143,935
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	1899.
Jan. ... ..	\$7,683,052
Feb. ... ..	6,209,171
March ... ..	6,756,094
April ... ..	6,916,431
May ... ..	7,472,855
June ... ..	8,211,716
July ... ..	8,169,593

**FINANCIAL NOTES.**

H. Inman, private banker, of Hamiota, Man., was in Winnipeg this week.

The directors of La Banque Jacques Cartier have decided to sell out all the branches of the bank as quickly as satisfactory arrangements can be made. Already several have been disposed of.

Latest advices from Montreal state that warrants are out for the arrest of President Weir, Director Fred Smith and Cashier F. Lemieux of La Banque Ville Marie, on a charge of making false statements regarding the affairs of the bank to the government.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway company, held at Montreal on August 14, a dividend of 2 per cent. on the preference stock, and 2 per cent. on the common stock, for the half year ended June 13 last, were declared payable Oct. 2.

The rate for the current year's taxation in Winnipeg has been struck at 21-5 mills. This will be 3-50 of a mill less than last year's rate. The value of the assessable property increased about \$750,000 this year. The additional revenue will be swallowed up by the increase in the estimates of the school board.

At the convention of the American Bankers' association to be held in Cleveland, O., September 5, 6 and 7 an effort will be made to secure approval of a scheme for the formation of a general clearing house to ascertain the credit of concerns in all parts of the country and also of a uniform scale for the collection of cheques.

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**THE INCONTESTIBLE CLAUSE OF LIFE POLICIES.**

By a recent decision the clause in a life assurance policy by which it is declared to be incontestable after being maintained for a given period, may be set aside if the company discovers that the policy was procured by untruthful statements. This is a very important decision, as it has been understood hitherto, that the above named clause was an absolute bar to any question being raised which tended to invalidate a policy. All classes and conditions of this class imply that there has been no fraud or grave irregularity in the transaction out of which the instrument arises, or of which it is the legal expression. When a contract has been entered into by two parties, if one of them can prove that he executed it owing to false representations made with a clear intent to defraud, the contract can be declared cancelled in spite of the contractor having declared the contract to be incontestable, for as that agreement itself was procured by fraud, equity demands that it be set aside.—Journal of Commerce.

**INSURANCE NOTES.**

Manager Wegenast, of the Ontario Mutual Insurance company, passed through Winnipeg last week on his return from a trip through most of the settled parts of Western Canada. While in Winnipeg he expressed himself as being delighted with all that he had seen.

The fire loss of the United States and Canada for the month of July aggregates \$11,426,400. There were 261 fires of a greater destructiveness than \$10,000 each. This increase in losses is having a depressing effect upon underwriters, as they are already much discouraged at the outlook for their business.

Machinery is being purchased for a new grist mill at Sidney, Manitoba. The farmers are giving a bonus of \$2,500 for which Geo. Rogers and H. Bride have agreed to erect a 75 barrel mill.

The grain shovelers at Fort William, Ont., quit work a few days ago on a demand for an increase of from 15c to 20c per hour, and 26 1-2c per hour for overtime. They afterwards returned to work pending a settlement.

The grain committee of the Winnipeg board of trade held a meeting Tuesday, the 8th inst., to consider the new grain inspection act which will come into force on Sept. 1. The act provides for the appointment of a survey board to give a final decision in cases of appeal from the inspector's grading. The act does not designate the number to constitute the board, which point was discussed by the committee. It was decided to recommend that the board should consist of twelve members, three of whom would sit on any particular case submitted for survey. The committee will also recommend to the board of trade that the minister of inland revenue should establish the following prices for standard samples to be supplied to persons asking for them, viz., 5c each for samples of not less than one pound, and for bulk samples at the rate of \$1 per bushel.

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**Manitoba**

Strome & Whyte, Brandon, will build a new block.

A contract for 90,000 yards of drainage work in Franklin municipality has been awarded to W. R. Sinclair, of Winnipeg.

Application is being made for letters patent of incorporation by the Winnipeg Shoe Co. The capital stock is placed at \$10,000.

F. W. Vickers has bought out the stock of B. Cummings, jeweller, Pimnas, and will open a branch there with B. Dollmede as manager.

The corner stone of another school building was laid at Winnipeg on Monday. The new school will be called the Machray school.

The Winnipeg city council has extended a contract for supplying 500 to 1,000 cords of wood at \$3.85 per cord with the Winnipeg Fuel Co.

Halliday & Locherbie were the purchasers of the Gould & Elliott general store business at Pierson, mention of which sale was made in these columns last week.

The Brandon felt factory, which was burned last winter, will be started up again. The burned building is being replaced. F. H. Hisson is one of the proprietors.

T. Finklestein bought the stock of A. N. Ellis & Co., the Carberry merchants who advertised a week ago that they would sell out by public auction, for 59c on the dollar. The sale was made by Bertrand, Newton & Davidson, of Winnipeg, on August 15.

**Northwest Ontario.**

Mayor McCarthy, of Rat Portage, was in Winnipeg this week and while here stated that Rat Portage is making rapid strides this year. The population is increasing and the city is in all respects keeping pace with increasing business. This year in addition to the \$100,000 being expended by the C. P. R., business blocks and dwelling houses to the aggregate value of \$75,000,000 are being erected. The waterworks system is also being completed, and a scheme is now being considered to have the sewers flushed by water from a small lake north of the town.

**Assinibola.**

Castellam & Co., liquors, Regina, Assa., are succeeded by W. B. Pocklington.

**Alberta.**

T. J. Cunningham is opening a flour and feed store at Stratheona.

The Hudson's Bay Company's store at Pincher Creek was burglarized a few days ago and a quantity of low-ellry stolen.

H. C. Taylor and J. R. Boyle have formed a law partnership, and will have offices in Edmonton and Strathcona. The firm name will be Taylor & Boyle.

North Dakota farmers are paying harvest hands \$2.50 a day.

The Retail Clerks' Association, of Winnipeg, met last week and adopted a constitution and by-laws, thus completing their organization.

The flurry over the French Canadian banks has died away. The Jacques Cartier will resume in a short time. The Ville Marie will be wound up.

**Winnipeg City Council Meeting.**

A special meeting of the Winnipeg city council was held on Wednesday evening, the 16th inst., to consider the yearly estimates and the report of the special committee appointed to investigate the affair of the burning of the Manitoba hotel in February last.

The total amounts of money estimated as required for the year 1899-1900, current expense account, is \$616,057.19. Of this amount the finance committee will spend \$232,321.44 in payment of salaries, interest charges, grants, etc.; the works committee will spend \$53,255.00; the fire, water and light committee \$65,287.95, the market, license and health committee \$37,615.00; the police department \$26,000; the city water works department, \$44,417.08; the school board \$117,930.07, the parks board \$11,750.00; sundry expenses make up the total. The figures do not take into account the monies being spent on capital account on water-works, street improvements, etc., the figures for which were not given at the council meeting.

The report of the Manitoba hotel fire investigation committee was unfavorable to the present chief of the fire brigade and as a result that official has resigned at the request of the committee. His successor has not yet been appointed.

**Winnipeg Board of Trade.**

The Winnipeg board of trade met yesterday afternoon with President E. L. Drewry in the chair. The questions dealt with at council meetings and already published were brought up and the action confirmed with but little discussion.

The Dominion Fish company wrote, inviting twelve members of the board to take a trip on Lake Winnipeg, which will be made by the City of Selkirk, taking in all points of interest, the excursionists to be away one week commencing Aug. 28th. Post cards will be sent out to all members of the board, and if over twelve decide to take the trip lots will be drawn for this number. It is considered an opportunity that should not be missed of having a delightful trip, at the same time allowing the members to satisfy themselves regarding the resources of the lake district and the facilities to be gained by the improvement of navigation at the St. Andrews rapids.

Mr S. A. McGaw, chairman of the general grain committee, reported "that in accordance with the provisions of the recently recommended inspection act, that the board nominate six names for the survey board to consider all appeals against the inspectors' grading, the following names to be submitted: Messrs. S. A. McGaw, G. V. Hastings, S. Spink, A. Atkinson, F. W. Thompson and Stephen Nairn, and that the inland revenue department be requested to reconstruct the western grain standards board so that only persons resident west of Lake Superior be included in its membership; that samples of grain of not less than one pound be sold at a price of 5c each to all wishing them and in bulk at \$1 per bushel."

The report was adopted. The following boards were then struck:

Grain examiners—Messrs. S. A. McGaw, N. Bawlf, D. S. McBean, S. Spink and Stephen Nairn.

Flour and feed—Messrs. Stephen Nairn, G. V. Hastings, S. Spink, F. W. Thompson, C. H. Steele.

Messrs. F. W. Thompson and S. A. McGaw were recommended to represent the board of trade as members of the western grain standards board, their names to be forwarded to the inland revenue department for consideration.

No names were put on the hide and leather inspector's board, as it was shown that the fees of the inspector for this year had amounted to only \$2.50, whereas in former years several hundred dollars were taken in for hide inspection.

Mr. Adam Carruthers stated that the reason of the falling off in this respect would be evident to any who looked into the matter. Manitoba hide inspection was not recognized in American markets, and that was the market where the best price could be got. In winter it would cost more than the hides were worth to have them inspected. He strongly opposed a hide inspection.

The matter was referred to a special committee to look into the facts of the case and report to the council of the board of trade on the understanding that in the meantime no new board would be elected.

**A TRANSPORTATION QUESTION.**

Mr. J. H. Ashdown then brought up a transportation question, that of the attitude of railroad companies toward boat lines on the lakes in the matter of shipping. He moved, seconded by Mr. McKenzie, that it be made a condition in the giving of bonuses to railroads that no favoritism be shown to any special line of boats which gives them the freight at a lake port; and that sending goods by one line of steamers should make no difference in the rate charged by the railway company.

Mr. Ashdown pointed out that both the C. P. R. and N. P. R. have been following out the practice of showing favoritism to some special steamship line, and that on fifth class goods, which do not come by these favored lines 10c more per hundred is charged. This, Mr. Ashdown contended, prevented competition in the tariffs; and now that the government had expended considerable sums of money in widening and deepening the waterways and canals lower rates were looked for.

It was decided that it should be recommended to the Dominion government that, in the paying of the subsidy to the Rainy River road a condition be inserted that no favoritism be shown any special line of steamers delivering freight at the place where the said road would take charge of it, and that no rebate should be allowed if a favored line has handled it or any difference made in the tariffs of the railway company by reason of freight having been carried by any particular line of steamships.

W. C. Cooper left for a trip through Southern Manitoba last week.

E. W. Coles, representing Slugsley Manufacturing Company, Limited, of Brantford, Ont., manufacturers of blankets, sheetings, yarns, etc., was in Winnipeg last week on a special trip.

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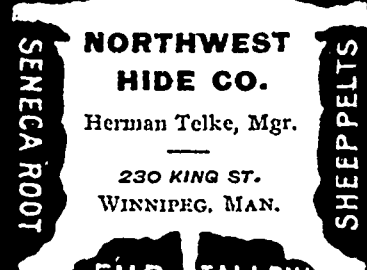
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Canned Goods	Per case
Apples, 3s, 2 doz.	2 15
Apples, preserved, 3s, 2 doz.	3 00
Apples, gallons (per doz.)	2 90
Black or Lawton berries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25
Beans, 2s, 2 doz.	2 00
Corn, 2s, 2 doz.	2 30
Cherries, red, pitted 2s, 2 doz.	3 90
Peas, Marrowfat, 2s, 2 doz.	1 00
Peas, sifted, 2s, 2 doz.	2 25
Pears, Bartlett, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25
Pears, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 75
Pears, Bartlett, 3s, 2 doz.	5 00
Pineapple, 2s, 2 doz.	4 75
Pineapple, imported, 2s, 2 doz.	5 00
Peaches, 2s, 2 doz.	3 75
Peaches, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 50
Peaches, Canadian, 3s, 2 doz.	5 00
Plums, 2s, 2 doz.	2 75
Plums, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 50
Pumpkins, 3s, 2 doz.	2 00
Raspberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25
Strawberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 00
Tomatoes, 3s, 2 doz.	2 25
Salmon, talls, 1s, 4 doz.	5 50
Salmon, Cohoes talls, 1s, 4 doz.	7 50

Sardines	Per tin.
Sardines, domestic 1/4s.	05
Sardines, imported, 1/4s.	09 1/2
Sardines, imported, 1/2s.	18
Sardines, imp. 1/2s, boneless.	20
Sardines, Dom., mustard 1/2s.	12

Imported Fresh Herring	Per doz.
Imp. Kipper Herring, 1s.	1 50
Imp. Herring, 1s.	1 75
Imp. Herring, Tom. Sauce 1s.	1 80
Imp. " Anch. Sauce 1s.	1 90
Imp. " Shrimp Sauce 1s.	2 00

Canned Meats	Per case.
Corn Beef, 1s, 2 doz.	3 00
Corn Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	2 65
Lunch Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	2 90
Lunch Tongue, 1s, 2 doz.	5 75
Lunch Tongue, U.S. 2s, 1 doz.	6 75
Brawn, 2s, 1 doz.	2 60
Pigs Feet, 1s, 2 doz.	2 50
Roast Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	2 75

Chicken, Duck or Turkey	Per doz.
Potted Ham, 1/2s.	65
Devilled Ham, 1/2s.	65
Potted Tongue, 1/2s.	65
Potted Ham, 3/4s.	1 30
Devilled Ham, 3/4s.	1 30
Potted Tongue, 3/4s.	1 30

Coffee	Per pound.
Green Rio.	0 1/2
Inferior grades.	0 1/2

Cereals	Per sack
Split Peas, sack 9s.	2 50
Pot Barley, sack 9s.	2 40
Pearl Barley, sack 9s.	3 75
Roll'd Oatmeal, sack 80.	1 05
Standard Oatmeal, sack 9s.	2 30
Granulated Oatmeal, sack 9s.	2 30
Beans (per bushel).	1 30
Commeal, sack 9s.	1 25
Cornmeal, 1/2s 49 (per 1/2s)	0 65

Rice	Per pound.
Rice, B.	4 1/2c
Patna	5 1/2c
Rice, Japan	4 1/2c
Sago	4 1/2c
Tapioca	5 1/2c

Cigarettes	Per M
Old Judge	8 90
Athlete	8 00
Sweet Caporal	8 00
Sweet Sixteen	5 70
Derby	6 60

Cured Fish	Per lb.
Boneless Hake, per lb.	05
Codfish, whole cases, 100 lbs.	6 50
Codfish, Pure per lb.	07 1/2
Herrings, in half-barrels.	3 85

Dried Fruits	Per pound.
Currants, new, Prov'l Bbls.	05 1/2
Currants, Prov'l Cases	5 1/2
Currants, Prov'l 1/2 Barrels.	05 1/2
Currants, Finlatria, bbls.	05 1/2
Currants, Finlatria, cases	05 1/2
Currants, cleaned, cases	06 1/2
Dates, Cases	07 1/2
Figs, Eleme, about to lb box.	20
Figs, Glove Box, per doz.	3 30
Figs, Cooking, Snt.	08
Figs, boxes.	10 1/2
Figs, Tappets	05
Figs, Portuguese, boxes	06 1/2
Prunes, Bosnia, Cases.	05 1/2
Sultana Raisins.	13

Dried Fruits	Per pound.
Raisins, Val., fine, off stalk	1 65
Raisins, Selected, off stalk	1 75
Raisins, Val. Layers, per box	1 95
Loose Muscatels, 3 crown	05 1/2
Loose Muscatels, 4 crown	05 3/4
London Layers, 20 lb Boxes.	1 90
Apples, Dried.	08
Evap Apples, finest quality.	10 1/2

California Evaporated Fruits	Per pound.
Peaches, peeled	17
Peaches, unpeeled	14
Pears	12 1/2
Appricots	16
Pitted Plums	9
Nectarines	10 1/2
Prunes, 100 to 120.	5 1/2
Prunes, 60 to 100.	5 3/4
Prunes, 50 to 60.	6 1/4
Prunes, 70 to 80.	7 1/2
Prunes, 60 to 70.	8 3/4
Prunes, 40 to 50.	10

Matches	Per case
Telegraph	\$3 60
Telephone	3 40
Tiger	3 30

Nuts	Per pound.
Brazils	11
Taragona Almonds	14
Peanuts, roasted	11 1/2
Peanuts, green	9
Grenoble Walnuts	14
French Walnuts	12
Scilly Filberts	13
Shelled Almonds	30

Syrup	Per gallon.
Extra Bright, per lb.	3c
Medium, per lb.	2 1/2c
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins	75
Molasses, per gal. (New Or.)	34c
Porto Rico	40
Barbadoes	45

Sugar	Per pound.
Extra Standard Gran.	5
German Granulated	5 10
Extra Ground	7c
Powdered	6 1/2c
Lumps	6 1/2c
Bright Yellow Sugar.	4 1/2
Maple Sugar	13 1/2c

Salt	Per pound.
Rock Salt	1 1/2c
Common, fine	1 95
Common, coarse	1 95
Dairy, 100 3	3 25
Dairy, 60-5	3 15

Spices	Per doz.
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins.	75
Allspice, whole	18
Allspice, pure ground	18
Allspice, compound	15
Cassia, whole	18
Cassia, pure ground	20
Cassia, compound	13
Cloves, whole	17
Cloves, pure ground	25
Cloves, compound	18
Pepper, black, whole	14
Pepper, black, pure ground	16
Pepper, black, compound	10
Pepper, white, whole	21
Pepper, white, pure ground	28
Pepper, white, compound	18
Pepper, Cayenne	25
Ginger, whole, Jamaica	25
Ginger, whole, Cochina	20
Ginger, pure ground	23
Ginger, compound	15
Nutmegs, (per pound)	55
Mace (per pound)	1 00

Starch	Per pound.
Corn—	
Bensons	6 1/2
Canada, Durham or Challenge	5
Silver Gloss, 1 lb cartons.	7 1/2
Rice	9
Canada Laundry	4 1/2
No. 1 white	5 1/2
Celluloid, per box 40 lbs	3 60
Canada Gloss, 1 lb. cartons.	5 1/2

Tons	Per pound.
China Blacks—	
Choice	35
Medium	25
Common	13
Indian and Ceylon—	
Choice	32
Medium	25
Common	16

Young Hysons—	Per pound.
Choice	35
Medium	35
Common	22
Japan—	
Finest May Picking	35
Choice	30
Fine	25
Good Medium	20
Common	15

Tobacco	Per pound.
T. & B., 3s, 4s, and 9s Cads.	00 70
Lily, 5s, cads.	00 61
Crecent, 5s, cads.	00 61
T. & B., Black Chewing, 5s or 10s	00 6 1/2
T. & B., Mahogany Chewing, 5s or 10	00 6 1/2
T. & B., 1-12 pkg, cut	00 85
T. & B., 1-5 pkg, cut	00 85
T. & B. in pouches, 1-4	00 85
T. & B. in 1-5 tins	00 86
T. & B. in 1-5 tins	00 86
T. & B. in 1-5 tins	00 81
Orinoco, 1-12 pkg.	00 81
Orinoco, 1-5 tins	00 81
Orinoco, 1/2 tins	00 86
Tucktus Cherub Cigarette 1-12	00 87
Brier, 5s, cads	00 61
Derby, 3s and 4s, cads.	00 65
Derby, 5s, cads	00 65
P. & W. Chewing, Cads.	00 65
P. & W. Chewing, Butts	00 65
Tonka, 1/2 tins	00 00
Tonka, 1-12 pkg	00 88
Canadian Leaf, 50 lb bales, very bright	21
Lower grades	10 1/2

Wooden Ware	Per doz.
Pails, 2 hoop clear	1 60
Pails, wire hoop	2 00
Pails, Star fibre	4 00
Tubs, No. 0 common	10 50
Tubs, No. 1 common	9 00
Tubs, No. 2 common	7 00
Tubs, No. 3 common	6 00
Tubs, nests (3)	1 55
Tubs, wire hoop (3)	2 25

CURED MEATS AND LARD	Per pound.
Lard, pure leaf, kettle rend.	\$1 70
Lard, pure leaf, steam rend.	1 60
Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb. tins, per case of 60 lbs.	5 50
Lard, pure, Tierces, per lb.	7 1/2
Lard, 50 lb tubs	5
Lard, Compound, 20 lb pails	1 35
Lard, Compound, 3 and 5 lb. tins, case 60 lbs.	5 00
Smoked Meats	
Hams	14
Breakfast bacon, bellies	11 1/2
Breakfast bacon, backs	11
Spiced rolls	10 1/2
Shoulders	10
Long Clear	9
Dry Salt Meats	
Long clear bacon	8 1/2
Shoulders	8 1/2
Short Clear	7 1/2
Backs	9
Barrel Pork	
Heavy mess	16 00
Short cut	16 50
Meat Sundries	
Fresh pork sausage, lb.	8
Bologna sausage, lb.	8
Pickled pigs feet, kits.	1 40
Sausage casings, lb.	25

FISH	Per pound.
Whitefish, lb.	05 1/2
Pickeral, lb.	3 1/2
Trout, lb.	09
Pike, lb.	03
Salmon, lb.	12 1/2
B.C. halibut, lb.	11
Smelts, lb.	10
Smoked goldeyes, doz.	45
Salt Whitefish, per 1/2 bbl.	6 50
Salt Cod	07
Oysters, cans, each.	65

**DRUGS**

Following are prices for parcel lots, with usual reductions for unbroken packages.

Alum, lb.	3 1/2
Alcohol, gal.	5 25
Bleaching Powder, lb.	05
Bluestone, lb.	09
Borax	09
Bromide Potash	75
Camphor	68
Camphor, ounces	75
Carbolic Acid	35
Castor Oil	13
Chlorate Potash	18
Citric Acid	60
Copperas	03
Cocaine, oz.	4 90
Cream Tartar, lb.	28
Cloves	20
Epsom Salts	03
Extract Logwood, bulk	12
Extract Logwood, boxes	17
Formalin	40
German Quinine	50
Glycerine, lb.	20
Ginger, Jamaica	30
Ginger, African	15
Howard's Quinine, oz.	60
Iodine	4 75
Insect Powder	30
Morphia, sul.	1 90
Opium	4 50
Oil, olive, Pure	2 00
Oil, U.S. Salad	1 00
Oil, lemon, super	1 60
Oil, peppermint	1 80
Oil, cod liver, gal.	1 25
Oxalic Acid	14
Potass Iodide	3 75
Paris Green, lb.	20
Saltetre	08
Sal Rochelle	25
Shellac	25
Sulphur Flowers	3 1/2
Sulphur Hll, keg.	3 1/2
Soda Bicarb, keg of 112 lbs.	2 75
Sal Soda	2 00
Tartaric Acid, lb.	40
Trichine, pure crystals, oz.	55

**LEATHER**

Per pound	
Harness, oak	40
Harness, union oak No. 1	31
Harness, union oak No. 1 R.	31
Harness, hemlock No. 1 R. anchor brand	32
Harness, hemlock No. 1 R. anchor brand	31
Harness, hemlock country tannage, No. 1	30
Do., No. 1 R.	32
Black collar leather.	36
American Oak Sole.	40
Sole, union oak	40
Listowell, sole	26
Penatung, sole	27
Acton Sole	27
B. F. French calf	25
B. F. French kip	25
Canada calf	93
Canada Calf, Niagara	80
Niagara Brand Kip	65
Wax upper	42
Grain upper per foot	20
Kangaroo, per foot	30
Dolgora, per foot	25
Dolgora, bright	40
Bag sheepskins, per doz.	5 00

**FUEL**

Coal	Per ton
These are retail prices, delivered to consumers in the city, or 50c per ton less at the yards, except western anthracite nut size, which is 40c less at the yards.	
Pennsylvania anthracite—	
Stove, nut or lump	9 00
Pea size	7 00
Canadian anthracite, stove	8 50
Canadian anthracite, nut	7 00
Lethbridge bituminous	7 50
Crow's Nest bituminous	7 50
U. S. bituminous, as to mine	7 50
Souris Lignite	4 50
Souris, car lots F.O.B. mines	1 50
Blossburg smthing	9 50
Cordwood	
These are prices for car lots, on track Winnipeg.	
Tamarac	4 10
Pine	3 75
Spruce	3 50
Poplar, green cut dry	2 50
Poplar, dead cut	2 50
Oak, green cut dry body	4 50
Oak, dead cut	4 25
Minnesota Hard Maple	6 00
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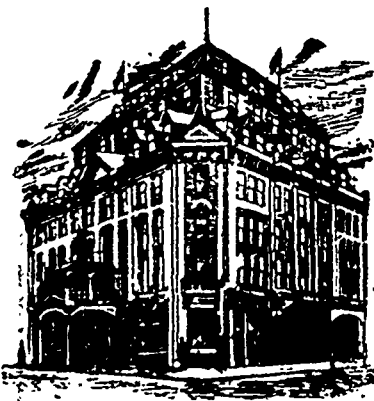
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**STEEL BOILER PLATE**—3-16 inch, \$3; 3-8 inch and thicker, \$2.75.  
**BOILER TUBES**—2 inch, 14c per foot; 2 1-2 inch, 15 1-2c; 3 inch, 17c per foot.  
**SHEET IRON**—16 to 20 gauge, \$3.50; 22 to 26, \$3.75; 28 gauge, \$4.  
**CANADA PLATES**—Garth and Blain, \$3.35.  
**GALVANIZED IRON**—American, 10 gauge, \$4.25; 18 to 22, \$4.50; 24 gauge, \$4.75; 26 gauge, \$5; 28 gauge, \$5.25 per 100 lbs. Queen's head, 25c advance on American prices.  
**IRON PIPE**—Quoted as follows per 100 feet: 1-4 inch, \$4.25; 3-8, \$4.25; 1-2 \$5.25; 3-4, \$5.75; 1 inch, \$8.25; 1 1-4 \$11; 1 1-2, \$13.50; 2, \$18; larger, 65 per cent.  
**GALVANIZED PIPE**—1-4 inch, \$6.40; 3-8 inch, \$6.40; 1-2 inch, \$6.80; 3-4 inch, \$7.60; 1 inch, \$10.40; 1 1-4 inch, \$14.40; 1 1-2 inch, \$17.60; 2 inch, \$23.60.  
**STAMPED TINWARE**—Plain, 70 and 15 per cent.; retinned, 70 and 21-2 per cent.  
**CHAIN**—Proof coil, 3-16 in. per 100 lbs., \$7.50; do, 1-4 in. \$7; do, 5-16 in. \$5.50; do, 3-8 in. \$5.25; do, 7-16 in. \$5; do, 1-2 in. and up, \$5; trace, per doz. pairs, \$3.75 to \$5.50; jack chain, iron, single, per doz. yards, 15 to 75c; jack chain, double, per doz. yards, 25c to \$1.  
**COPPER**—Tinned copper sheets, 30c; planished, 35c; boiler and T.K. pits, plain tinned, per lb. 29c; spun 33c.  
**LEAD**—Pig, per lb. 5 to 6c.  
**SHEET ZINC**—In casks, \$9 per 100 lbs; broken lots, \$9.50.  
**SOLDER**—Half and half, per lb., 22c.  
**SHOT**—Soft, 61-2c per lb; chilled, 7c; buckshot, 7 1-2c.  
**AMMUNITION**—Cartridges—R. F. pistol, American discount 37 1-2 to 40 per cent; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 per cent to 50 and 5 per cent; centre fire military, American, not list; centre fire pistol and rifle, American, 10 per cent; centre fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent; shot shells, 12 gauge, \$6 to \$8.50.  
**LOADED SHELLS**—Eley's black, 12 gauge, per 100, soft \$1.50, chilled \$1.65; No. 10 gauge soft, \$2; chilled, \$2.15; Eley's smokeless, 12 gauge soft, \$1.90, chilled, \$2.05; No. 10 gauge soft, \$2.40, chilled, \$2.55.  
**WADS**—Grey felt, 75c per lb.; thin card wads in boxes of 500 each, 12 and smaller gauge, 20c per lb; thin card wads in boxes of 500 each, 10 gauge, 25c per lb. Chemically prepared black edge grey cloth wads, in boxes of 250 each, 11 and smaller gauges, 65c per 1,000; 9 and 10 gauges, 75c per 1,000; 7 and 8 gauges, \$1 per 1,000.  
**ANVILS**—Per lb. 10 to 12 1-2c, anvil and vice combined, each \$3 to \$4.50.  
**AUGER BITS**—American, 60 to 65 per cent Jennings' Excelsior, 50 per cent; post hole, Vaughan's, each 60 to 90c.  
**ANES**—Chopping axes, per dozen, \$6; to \$12; double bit, per doz. \$11 to \$18; bench axes, 40 per cent.  
**BELTING**—Extra, 30 to 35 per cent; No. 1, 50 to 50 and 10 per cent; agricultural, 55 to 60 per cent.  
**BOLTS**—Carriage, 1-4 and 3-16, 47 1-2 per cent; 3-8 and up, 42 1-2c; tire, dis. 55 per cent; stove, dis. 60 per cent; machine, discount 47 1-2; coach screws, dis. 60 per cent; plough bolts, 40 per cent.  
**BUTTS**—Loose pins, cast, dis. 60 per cent; wrought steel, fast joints, dis. 65 per cent; loose pins, dis. 65 per cent; Berlin bronzed, dis. 45 per cent; gen. bronzed, per pair, 35 to 85.  
**HINGES**—Light T and strap, 65 per cent; heavy, per lb. 5 to 6c; screw hook and hinge, 6 to 10 in., 5c per lb.; 12 in. up, per lb., 4c; spring screen door, \$1 to \$2.25 doz.

**HARVEST TOOLS**—02 1-2 per cent.  
**ROPE**—Sisal, lb. 11 1-2c base; manila, lb. 13c base; cotton, 1-4 to 1-2 in. and larger, 16c lb.; deep sea, 16 1-2c; lath yarn, 10c.  
**BUILDING PAPER**—Anchor brand plain 45c; do. tarred, 60c; Jubilee, plain 57c; do. tarred, 73c.  
**HORSE NAILS**—Pointed and finished, oval heads, list price as follows: No. 5 \$7.50 per box; No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box; No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount on above list prices, 40 per cent.  
**HORSESHOES**—Iron shoes, keg, 0 and 1, \$1.50; 2 and larger, \$4.25. Less than full kegs, 25c extra. Steel shoes, 0 and 1, \$4.90; 2 and larger, \$4.55.  
**NAILS**—Wire—1 1-2 in. up, \$3.35; 1 in. \$3.40; 3 in. \$3.45; 3 1-2 in. \$3.50; 2 in. \$3.60; 1 1-2 in. \$3.75; 1 1-4 in. \$4; 1 in. \$4.35.  
**NAILS**—Cut—30d up, \$2.75; 20d, \$2.80; 10d, \$2.85; 8d, \$2.90; 6d, \$3.05; 4d, \$3.15; 3d, \$3.40; 2d, \$3.75.  
**SCREWS**—Wood R.H. iron and steel dis. 75, 10 and 7 1-2 per cent; wood R.H. iron dis. 70 and 10; wood, R.H. brass, dis. 70 and 10; wood R.H. brass, dis. 65 per cent. Bench, wood, per doz. \$3.75 to \$1.50; bench, iron, per doz. \$4.50 to \$6.  
**SOLDERING IRONS**—Per lb. 32c.  
**WIRE**—Brass and copper wire, 20 per cent advance on the list; clothes line wire, 18 gauge, per 1,000 feet, \$3.50.  
**WIRE FENCING**—Galvanized 4 barb, regular, \$3.75; galvanized, plain twist, \$3.75.  
**STAPLES**—Galvanized, \$4.25 per 100 lbs.  
**WIRE CLOTH**—Painted screen, per 100 sq. ft. \$1.00.  
**RIVETS AND BURRS**—Carriage, section, wagon box rivets, etc., steel 37 1-2 per cent; black M rivets, 37 1-2 per cent; black and tinned 37 1-2 per cent; copper rivets and burrs, 32 1-2c; cartons 1c per lb. extra net.  
**GLUE**—Sheets, 15c lb.; broken, 12 1-2c; glue, white, for kalsominig, 18 to 25c.  
**AXLE GREASE**—Imperial case, \$2.50. Fraser's axle grease, case, \$3.75; Diamond axle grease, case, \$2.25.  
**COAL TAR**—Per barrel, \$5.  
**PINE BITCH**—\$4 per barrel.  
**CEMENT**—Portland cement, barrel, \$4 to \$4.25.  
**PLASTER AND HAIR**—Plaster, barrel, \$3.25; plasterers' hair, P. P., 85c bale.

**Winnipeg Prices of Paints, Oils, Glass, Etc.**  
**WHITE LEAD**—Pure, \$6.62 1-2 100 lbs; No. 1, \$6.37 1-2.  
**PREPARED PAINTS**—Pure liquid color, gallon, \$1.20 to \$1.60, as to shade and quality.  
**DRY COLORS**—White lead, lb. 71-2c. red lead, kegs, 61-2c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 21-2c; less than barrels, 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 31-2c; less than barrels, 4c; Venetian red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 31-2c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb.; Paris green, 18 to 20c; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots, 21-2c; less than barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, in casks, 31-2c; 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 to \$1.75; hard oil finish, \$1.50 to \$2; brown Japan, \$1; house painters' gold size Japan, \$1.50; coach painters' do., \$2 to \$2.25; No. 1 orange shellac, \$2.25; pure orange shellac, \$2.50.  
**PETTY**—In bladders, barrel lots, 21-2c lb.; in 100 lb. kegs, 23-4c; do. less than barrels, 3c lb.  
**ALABASTINE**—Cases of 20 packages, \$6.50.  
**GASOLINE**—Stove, per case, \$3.50.  
**BENZINE**—Case, \$3.50.  
**WINDOW GLASS**—Single glass, first break, 16 to 25 united inches, \$2.25; 26 to 40, \$2.50 per 50 feet boxes; 41 to 50, \$5.30; 51 to 60, \$5.80; 61 to 70, \$6.30 per 100 feet boxes.  
**LINSEED OIL**—Raw, gal., 59c; boiled, gal. 62c in barrels; less than barrels, 5c gal. extra, with additional charges for cans.  
**TURPENTINE**—Pure spirits, in barrels, 75c; less than barrels, gal. 75c. An additional charge for packages for small quantities.  
**OILS**—Range about as follows: Black

c's, 25 to 30c gal; clear, machine oil, 27 to 30c, cylinder oil, 50 to 75c; a s to quality; castor oil, 11c per lb.; tarriers' or harness oil, 65c; neatfoot oil, \$1; steam refined oil, 85c; pure water bleached sperm oil, \$2 gal.  
**REFINED PETROLEUM**—Prices here are as follows: Silver Star, 18c; Crescent, 20 1-2c; Oleophene, 21c in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 24 1-2c for Escono and 21 1-2c for sunlight. Straight car lots Silver Star 1c less, other brands 2c less.

**Essex Tobacco Industry.**  
The county of Essex, Ontario, is probably best known in recent years, at least, for its cultivation of the tobacco plant. The French Canadian settlers in Essex, of whom there are many, with their headquarters at Sandwich, have for many years raised small quantities for their own use, but its extensive production did not begin until two years ago. In 1897 a few farmers raised small crops, and when they sold it at from twelve to fifteen cents a pound, and then told their neighbors of it, the whole country went tobacco crazy. Some people sowed as much as 100 acres last year with the expectation of making a fortune in one season. It is estimated that 7,000 acres of tobacco were under cultivation in Essex alone in 1898, yielding in the neighborhood of seven or eight million pounds of leaf. The growing of it proved to be the easiest matter, for no one doubts that the soil can do its part of the work. But it was an experiment, and hundreds entered it blindly, and without proper facilities for handling it. The expected fortune did not come as easily as had been imagined. The critical buyers soon found that much of it had not been properly cared for. As an illustration, a Windsor resident related to your correspondent that he had seen tobacco hung over the fences in the fields to dry; while the proper curing of it demands that it be placed in a barn, the boards of which are a couple of inches apart to allow a free passage of air. Then, too, it was found that the Canadian demand for tobacco was comparatively small, while the United States market was practically shut out by a prohibitive duty. The producers of tobacco found themselves in a much less happy position than was expected, the price being from three to seven cents, instead of from ten to fifteen cents. However, active steps were taken to find a market, and eventually a good deal of it was disposed of, although at a very low price, and sent to England. Since then the situation has improved considerably, and there is a reasonable hope that the industry will yet prove a profitable one. The experience already gained will be of value to the producers when they come to take care of this season's crop, while they will also know the necessity of providing better facilities for curing the leaf. They are further encouraged on learning that several Canadian tobacco manufacturers are putting in new plants, by which they will be enabled to handle the home-grown article, and not depend entirely on what they import. It is confidently expected that the price this year will be much better, and one authority has figured it out that Essex farmers will be paid ten cents for their 1899 weed. As an example of the effect of last year's prices, one big farm near Windsor has five acres of tobacco this season, compared with 100 acres in 1898. The barns on the same farm contain thousands of pounds waiting for the market to rise.—Globe.





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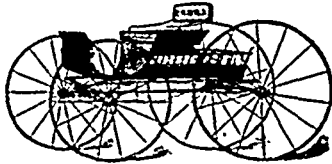
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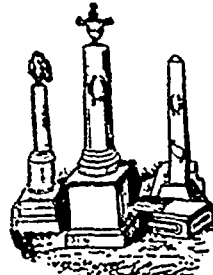
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## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, August 19, 1899.

The past week has been an uneventful one in a business way. The ordinary operations of trade have been carried on as usual and there has been no diminution in the amount of this, but until the harvest is over there will be no new developments to record. All interest is now centering in the harvest. The weather has been very favorable this week for the crops and cutting may now be said to be almost general, as reports are to hand from all parts of the province showing that the binders are at work. Of course a good deal of the wheat will require a few days more bright weather before it is thoroughly ripe. The general opinion seems to be that the safety of the grain crops is now assured. The question of harvest help is engaging the serious attention of the local government and the C. P. R. and it is claimed that a sufficient number of hands will be obtained from the east.

Reports from all sections indicate a steady movement of business. Heavy shipments of goods are going forward to country points from the city wholesale warehouses and also from eastern points. Judging from the size of this year's fall orders there will be a very large after-harvest trade. Every class of business shows expansion. The implement trade is a good example. Leading houses report the best business done for years in binders, twine, etc., and the conditions under which this trade has been done are highly satisfactory. Cash payments are larger and more frequent. Some branches of business report money as being somewhat scarce, but others show contrary results.

The report of the clearing house for the week at Winnipeg shows a substantial increase over last year as will be seen by the figures given on our financial page. Compared with the same week two years ago the figures are slightly smaller. The suspension of business due to the caterers' excursion on Thursday curtailed this week's figures somewhat. Thursday of this week being a civic holiday was also marked by a general suspension of business.

The cattle shipping season is now coming on and shipments will hereafter go forward to the old country regularly. Grass cattle have been better than usual getting into condition suitable for shipment.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, August 19, 1899.

(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.)

### BINDER TWINE.

The binder twine market remains exceedingly firm, and there seems no

likelihood whatever of a reduction in prices which sometimes happens at the end of a season. All the Winnipeg wholesale dealers express very firm views on the subject, and they seem to have abundance of evidence to back up their attitude. This week the leading twine makers have advised their Winnipeg agents of further advances in the price of Manila and sisal twine. It is reported that all the ports of the Philippine Islands are closed to commerce by order of the United States government, and will remain so until the present difficulties with the natives are settled. This being the case no further shipments of fibre can be made for some time. It is also reported that there is not a pound of fibre now afloat for American ports from those islands so that the visible supply is just what is in the hands of brokers and manufacturers now. This as has been shown in recent issues of The Commercial is not a large stock. When this state of affairs develops, prices of fibre at New York advanced about 1c. Twine prices here remain firm at 11-12c for pure Manila 11c for Manila, and about 10c for sisal and standard. New orders for Manila cannot be filled.

### CURED MEATS.

The strength of the cured meats market is still very manifest and further advances have gone into effect this week. Spiced rolls are now quoted at 10 1/2c per pound as against 10c last week. Long, clear dry salt bacon is also higher at 8 1/2c. Ham and breakfast bacon remain unchanged. Stocks of hams in the city continue light and at least one packing house is out of the market as far as home product is concerned.

### DRUGS.

The local drug market is without special feature. No changes have been made in prices and the situation is practically the same as a week ago. A good steady trade is being done which compares more than favorably with that of any previous similar period. The course of prices in the primary centres is being narrowly watched. Latest advices state that quinine has weakened and prices are lower. Camphor is depressed and blue vitrol is also weak. Ergot, cocaine, citric acid, cream of tartar, quicksilver, gellan root, morphia and glycerine occupy strong positions and are advancing.

### FISH.

The market for fish is unchanged. Prices remain steady as given on our prices current page and there is a steady run of business at these figures. Pickers and rockfish will be more plentiful than they are at present when the fish return from their summer feeding grounds which will be in a few weeks. During the hot weather of mid-summer the fish seek cooler water in the deeper parts of the lakes and as a consequence are not caught in such large numbers during that period. The time for their return to the shallower waters where the fishing is done is now approaching. It is said that fish have been more than usually plentiful this year and the companies fishing for this market have all they want.

### FUEL.

The point of most interest in the fuel situation is the increasing strength of Pennsylvania anthracite coal. The movement westward during the past week has not shown any very great expansion notwithstanding the fact that every effort is being

made to increase it. The vessel accommodation available for this trade is apparently not very elastic as the prevailing high freight rates have failed to call out very much reserve space. Lake freight rates on coal have advanced to 70c to Lake Michigan ports and 50 cents to Lake Superior ports and are strong at these figures. These rates seem high compared with other years and should ordinarily call out large numbers of vessels for the trade, but rates for iron, lumber, grain and general merchandise have advanced in even greater ratio and the consequence is that vessel owners are seeking the more profitable cargoes. Talk of strikes at the mines is also creating uneasiness among coal dealers. It is fully expected that anthracite prices will advance 25c on Sept. 1; \$5 for broken and \$5.25 for smaller sizes is now the quotation at lake ports. Bituminous coals are taking up a stronger position in the States owing to lack of carriage facilities and coke prices at Connellsville have advanced 15 to 20c per ton.

There is some talk of insufficiency of the wood supply for next winter's consumption here, but these reports cannot at the moment be verified.

### GREEN FRUITS.

The heavy receipts of California fruits continue and leading local houses are receiving large consignments regularly. It seems that the trade in west coast fruits all over this continent has developed wonderfully this year and we have advices from other markets which indicate increases proportionate with that at Winnipeg. Minneapolis is one market which has consumed much more largely than usual. A car of Ontario fruit appeared in the Winnipeg market this week and sold well. It consisted of tomatoes, plums, crab apples, etc. The quality of this consignment was excellent, much better than the fruit shipped here in other years from Ontario. There have been no changes in prices since our last review and we quote now as follows: Bananas, per bunch, \$2.25; Messina lemons, fancy November cuts, long-keeping stock, \$5 per case; California lemons, \$5.50; 6-case lots, 25c less; apples, \$1.50 per barrel; native currants, in pails, 75c; pears, per case, \$3.50 to \$4.00; pineapples, \$2.50 per dozen according to size; raspberries, native, in pails, \$1.50; blueberries, 7c per pound; California peaches, \$1.40 per case, pinks, \$1.40 to \$1.50; watermelons, \$3.50 per dozen; basket grapes, 60c per 8-pound basket net; cocoanuts, in sacks of 100, \$5 to \$6; Stilly filberts, large, 12c per lb.; Grenoble walnuts, 11c; new shell of walnuts, 25c; Tarragona almonds, 15c; peanuts, green, 9 to 9 1/2c; roasted, 12c; pecan nuts, 12c per lb.; comb honey, \$2 per dozen sections; strained honey, \$1-2c per lb.; maple sugar, 11 to 15c; apple cider, 55c per gallon in barrels and half barrels; fruit cider, put up in 10, 20 and 30 gallon kegs, per gallon, 40c; California figs, fancy Smyrna, glove boxes per dozen, \$2.50; cates, 7c per lb.; native lettuce, radish, water cress, etc., per dozen bunches, 25c; cabbage, home grown, 40c per dozen, pleplant, per pound, 1c; cucumbers, 50c per dozen; tomatoes, per case, 50c.

### GROCERIES.

There is a steady movement in groceries both staple and fancy and the trade being done at Winnipeg is of a most satisfactory character. Prices

exhibit but little change since a week ago, in fact we have no new changes to report. New canned fruits are now coming in and are expected to be in good supply hereafter. Strawberries, raspberries and cherries are the leading lines so far. Raspberries are being quoted a little easier at \$3.00 to \$3.25. The other lines are unchanged. New canned vegetables are yet to arrive with the exception of peas some lots of which are already in. New California dried fruits is not in yet with the exception of apricots. These are in limited supply. The large demand from canners has absorbed so much of the stock that prices remain very high and firm. Owing to the recent legislation of the Greek government whereby the output of currants is hereafter to be regulated according to fixed rules there is a strong feeling in the market for that line and prices are likely to advance in the near future. For grocery quotations see our "prices current" page.

#### HARDWARE AND METALS.

For the first time in many weeks the price list for these lines remain unchanged, and there is practically nothing to report locally. Prices in primary markets have lost none of their activity, however, and telegraphic reports of this week have shown advances on several lines which will soon, or later be reflected here.

#### LEATHER.

There is nothing new to say about the local market for leather. An active trade has been done all summer which will be greatly increased as the year advances. From time to time the Commercial has mentioned the fact that in sympathy with the advances in the east in both leather and saddlery hardware, the market here was in a strong position although no actual changes had been made. This situation has continued up to the present time and while the course of prices cannot be absolutely predicted it is probable that when the safety of the crops is assured and fall trade opens, there will be some advances in prices here. Dealers should study the market carefully with this in view. Sole leather is very strong in eastern markets at present and it is said that stocks have not been so low for years.

#### LUMBER.

Notwithstanding the substantial advances which have been made in lumber prices in the United States lately, full reports of which have been given on our lumber news page, the Rat Portage and Keewatin Lumber Companies have not advanced prices to the Manitoba trade on anything except lath. This quotation has gone up 50c per thousand. On all kinds of lumber prices remain as fixed by the association some time ago, and at these figures the Canadian mills are underselling the United States mills from \$1 to \$2 per thousand at western points. All mills are filled up with orders to their fullest capacity, and it would take from two to three weeks to fill orders at present on their books and provided no further orders were received. The Rat Portage Lumber Company has orders for 250 cars and are shipping about 120 cars per week. Business in lumber is brisk, and a very large amount of goods is going out from Winnipeg. If the present bright crop outlook is fully realized it means a big business in lumber this fall, and country dealers would do well to get their orders placed early. Latest advices from United States markets point to further advances there on September 1.

#### SCRAP.

There is a good demand for all kinds of scrap metals, etc., and prices are firm. We quote as follows: No. 1 cast iron, free from wrought and malleable, \$10 per ton, No. 2, do., \$4 per ton; wrought iron scrap, \$3.50 to \$4 per ton; No. 1 stove plate, \$3.50 to \$4 per ton; heavy copper, 8 to 8 1/2c per pound; copper bottoms, 7c per pound; red brass, 8 to 8 1/2c per pound; yellow brass, heavy, 7c per pound; light brass, 4 1/2 to 5c per pound; lead pipe or tea lead, 2c per pound; zinc scrap, 1-2c per pound; rags, country mixed, 50c per cwt; clean, dry bones, 30c per cwt; rubber boots and shoes free from acetates and rivets 5 1/2c per lb. Good quart beer bottles are worth 25 to 30c per dozen; plants 10c per dozen; square gin bottles, 30 to 35c per dozen.

#### GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

**WHEAT**—The wheat trade has been showing a more confident tone this week, but has acted as if groping for something to build an advance on, a certain amount of hesitation being mixed with the better feeling. The demand for actual wheat continues on a very limited scale, and the flour trade also suffers from lack of active demand. Until therefore a more urgent call for these articles is made by consumers, the bringing about of any advance other than of a temporary nature, must remain uphill work. Much apathy has been shown for many months past on the consumer's side, and so long as reserve stocks have been increasing, and behind them could be seen further fairly ample supplies being produced in present season's crops, there has doubtless been good enough reason for the conservative stand shown by the hand to mouth method of business pursued in the trade for some time. But it seems as if it were now beginning to dawn on the mind of the trade, that the situation probably possesses elements of strength as regards the value of wheat sufficient at least to suggest caution in working too freely on the bear side. The expected free movement from first hands of the spring wheat crop, which may begin almost immediately, seems the only serious deterrent to a fair advance in values at the present time. The primary receipts in the States have now fallen off greatly, and are running at less than on the corresponding days of last year, and the visible supply records a decrease on the week, instead of an increase. The world's crop for the current year is estimated at less than last year's crop by about 350,000,000 bushels, while the requirements of importing countries will be no smaller than for last year. The conclusion is therefore evident, that the market value of the current crop should average higher than that of 1898, and that growers and holders have the making of the price. While the tone of the market is stronger and more confident, the gain in price over a week ago is rather less than 1c per bushel. Harvesting now progresses apace in the northern hemisphere. Cutting is fairly started in Manitoba, and south of the boundary the harvest in the spring wheat country is well advanced, some threshing is being done, and new wheat arriving at Minneapolis. Reports from some of these early threshings are not very favorable, either as regards quantity or quality. In western Europe harvest is completed in some parts, and well forward in all; the weather having been very favorable for some weeks past, although

unsettled weather is reported in England the last two days. Drought in central India is making a bad prospect for next year's wheat crop there. In Australia and Argentina the new crops are reported to have been gotten in under favorable conditions, and are already beginning to look well on an increased acreage. The American visible supply decreased last week 800,000 bushels and stands at 36,306,000 bushels against only 6,897,000 same date last year. The world's shipments for the week were liberal, being 7,359,000 bushels, and the world's visible supply decreased 1,527,000 bushels.

The local market continues dull under very limited demand. The large shippers are doing nothing, and buyers are scarce. The price of 1 hard in store Fort William, has been around 70c all week, 69 1/2c on Tuesday being the low point, and 70 3/4c yesterday the high point. Two hard and 1 northern are 3 1/2c under 1 hard, and 3 hard, 2 northern and 1 spring 6 1/2c under 1 hard, all in store Fort William. Dried 2 hard in store Fort Arthur closes the week at 6 1/2c, and orie. 2 northern 63 1/4c.

**FLOUR**—A good trade is doing in flour and prices remain unchanged as follows: Ogilvie's Hungarian patent, \$1.25; Glenora, \$1.65; Manitoba strong bakers, \$1.35; XXXX, 95c; Lake of the Woods patent, \$1.25; strong bakers, \$1.65; second bakers, \$1.35; XXXX, \$1.05 per sack of 48 pounds.

**MILLFEED**—The active demand for millfeeds in eastern markets is drawing away supplies which have heretofore found their way into this market and in consequence supplies here are light. Prices are unchanged this week at \$9.50 per ton for bran and \$12.50 for shorts with the usual discounts to dealers.

**GROUND FEED**—Corn feed of the best grades is worth now \$19 per ton, and inferior grades \$17.50. Oat chop is steadily advancing and is now worth \$27 to \$28 per ton for best grades. Mixed feed of barley and oats is quoted at \$23.50 to \$24.50. Oil cake is very scarce at \$24 per ton.

**OATMEAL**—The demand for oatmeal shows the usual dullness of this season. Imports from the south are supplying the demand until new local oats are ready for milling. Carlots on track here are quoted at \$1.85 per sack of 50 pounds.

**OATS**—The demand for oats is unusually light owing probably to the inferior quality of offerings. Corn is taking the place of oats for feed to a large extent until the new crop is ready. Quotations on track Winnipeg to-day are ranging from 40 to 41c. With regard to the new crop it is expected that first shipments will be received here September 1. There will be no general movement though until some time later. Much depends, of course, upon the weather. It is expected that the market will open at about 35c.

**CORN**—Corn is coming in freely in response to an active demand from all parts of the province. Prices remain steady and we quote 40 1/2 to 41 1/2c per bushel.

**BARLEY**—Practically no barley is offering here. About 35 to 38c is the value at Winnipeg. The market for new barley should open shortly. The opening quotation will be about 30 or 32c.

**WHEAT**—From 52 to 54c is being paid to farmers at 16 1/2c freight rate points.

**HAY**—Wet weather to a large extent stopped the packing of hay throughout the province and receipts here have been curtailed. The crop of hay is reported from all parts as a splendid one saving where the late rains have spoiled it in the swaths. Owing to the delay in getting supplies here prices have held firm all week at figures of a week ago, namely \$5.50 to \$6.50 per ton for baled and \$5 to \$6 for loose.

**BUTTER**—Creamery—Increasing strength characterizes the creamery butter market. There is a good demand from all consuming parts which is practically absorbing all offerings. Since a week ago prices have been steadily advancing and we quote 17 1-4c as the top price to-day for choice creamery at the factories.

**BUTTER**—Dairy—There is no change in dairy butter, choice table qualities are worth 11 1-2c net here.

**CHEESE**—There is an exceedingly good demand for cheese in this market and the deliveries are not nearly equal to the demand. There is nothing to encourage the holding of cheese by country shippers in the present situation, notwithstanding that prices are firm and advancing. The present range is about as high as can be obtained unless further advances take place east, as importations would follow if higher prices are established. We quote 9 to 9 1-2c for factory cheese, large sizes, and 1-4c more would be paid for small cheeses. Dairy cheese is worth 8 1-2c to 9c.

**EGGS**—British Columbia is drawing largely on this market for eggs and as a result of improved demand prices have advanced to 15c per dozen f.o.b. Winnipeg, subject to candling.

**VEGETABLES**—New potatoes are coming in freely, and show good quality. We quote prices as follows: Potatoes, choice new potatoes, 50 to 60c per bushel; rhubarb 1c per pound; radishes 10c per dozen bunches; green onions 12 1-2c per dozen bunches; turnips 12 1-2c per dozen bunches; cauliflower 25 to 35c per dozen, according to size; tomatoes, 8c per lb.; new peas, 60c per bushel; butter beans 2c per lb.; cucumbers 20 to 25c per dozen; cabbage 15 to 25c; celery 20 to 25c per dozen bunches; mushrooms 10c per lb.; broad beans 2c per pound.

**HIDES**—The season is now setting in. The market this week has been easy and prices unchanged as follows: Inspected hides No. 1, 6 1-2c; No. 2, 5 1-2c; No. 3, 4 1-2c. Branded hides grade No. 2, and bulls No. 3; kip, 6c to 6 1-2c; calf, 5c; deakin skins 25 to 35c each; sheep skins 40 to 65c as to length of wool; elks, 10c; horsehides, 50 to 75c each.

**WOOL**—Receipts of wool continue light and prices are unchanged at 8c for fine wools and 7c for long, unwashed.

**SENECA**—Very little root is offered. Prices remain firm at 20 to 21c per pound, although we hear of higher prices being paid for some lots.

**DRESSED MEATS**—Grass fed beef is coming in freely. Mutton is likely to rule lower very soon and beef will probably also go down when the range cattle begin to come in regularly. Quotations are as follows: Beef, 7c, good to choice, 6 1-2 to 7c per pound; fresh killed mutton, 10 to 11c, veal, 8c to 9c; pork, 6 to 6 1-2c per pound.

**POULTRY**—Quotations are: Fowl, 50 to 60c pair; spring chickens, 35 to 40c

per pair; young ducks, 60c per pair; turkeys, 11c per pound, live weight; upland plover, 20c per pair.

**LIVE STOCK.**

**CATTLE**—This week has been a very quiet one, there being no movement at all of export cattle through the city yards. A trainload of cattle for Montreal were expected in Friday night and these will probably be forwarded to their destination some time to-day. Another lot is expected in Sunday. By the middle of next week the movement of cattle will be general. Upwards of 3,700 head are already under orders for shipment from primary points. Several fine lots will be in from Manitoba and Northwestern points among the first. There is a fair movement of butcher's cattle now. Prices remain steady at 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c for prime exporters.

**SHEEP**—Eastern sheep continue to appear in this market owing to the shortage of western stock. Some carlots were in this week. About 1 to 1 1-4c represents the value off cars here.

**HOGS**—A few carlots have been unloaded this week from country points and two cars have passed through the city from Ontario bound for the Kootenay country, consigned to P. Burns. This constitutes the movement of hogs for the week. \$1.85 is being paid for choice hogs weighing from 150 to 250 pounds.

**MILK COWS**—Good new milkers are worth from \$30 upwards in the city.

**HORSES**—Good working horses will bring from \$100 upwards according to quality and weight.

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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 reductions on large quantities, and to cash discounts.)

**PRICES AT VANCOUVER.**

By wire to The Commercial.

Vancouver, Aug. 19.  
The butter market is stronger, in sympathy with the advance east, though prices here are now below a parity with the cost of laying down new shipments. Eggs are 1c lower. Cheese has advanced 1-2c. Potatoes are down 8c to 9c per ton. Lemons have advanced 25c per box. Fed grains, etc., have an easier tendency, in expectation of the new crop coming to market. Wet weather has caused some delay this week to harvest work.

**BUTTER**—Ontario creamery, 21 to 22c; Manitoba creamery, 20 to 22c; Manitoba dairy, 15 to 18c.

**EGGS**—Fresh local, 30c per dozen; eastern eggs, 21c.

**CHEESE**—12 1-2 to 13c.

**CURED MEATS**—Hams, 16c; breakfast bacon 14 to 14 1-2c; backs, 12 1-2c; short clear 10 to 10 1-2c; short rolls, 10 1-2c; smoked sides, 10 1-2 to 11c; lard—Tins, 10c per lb; in pails and tubs, 9 to 9 1-4c.

**FISH**—Flounders 3c, smelts 5c, sea bass 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked salmon 10c; fresh halibut 6c; salmon, 7c; hloaters 7c; cod 6c per lb.

**VEGETABLES**—New potatoes, \$15 to \$18 ton; cabbage 1 1-2c; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12 ton red onions, 7c per lb; silver-skins, 1 1-4c; tomatoes, \$2.75 to \$3 per box; cucumbers, \$2.75 box.

**GREEN FRUIT**—California lemons, \$1.75 to \$1; oranges, St. Michael, \$1.50; cherries, \$1.75 box; peaches, \$1.15 apricots, \$1.50; plums, \$1.25 box; apples, \$1.50 box; prunes, \$1.30 to \$1.50 box; pears, \$2.25; bananas, \$1.75 bunch,

**MEAL**—Rolled oats, 90 lb. sack, \$2.90; 2 45 pound sacks, \$3; 4 22 1-2 pound sacks, \$3.20; 10 7 lb. sacks, \$2.60; oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 5's \$3.

**FLOUR**—Delivered B.O. points—Manitoba patent, per barrel, \$1.70; strong bakers, \$1.10; Oregon, \$1.50 per barrel. **GRAIN**—Oats, \$35 per ton; wheat, \$25; to \$28.

**GROUND FEED**—National mills chop, \$27 per ton; shorts, \$22 ton; bran, \$20; oil cake meal \$35 ton; f.o.b. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

**HAY**—\$8 to \$10 per ton.

**DRESSED MEATS**—Beef, 8 1-2 to 9c; mutton, 9 1-2 to 10c; pork, 9c; veal, 10 to 11c per lb.

**LIVE STOCK**—Steers, \$1 per 100 lbs.; cows, \$1.50; sheep, \$1.75 per 100 lbs.; hogs, \$6.50 per 100 lbs.

**POULTRY**—Chickens, 75c.

**EVAPORATED FRUITS**—Apricots 10 to 17c per lb; peaches 10 to 12c; plums 9 to 10c; prunes, French, 8 to 7 1-2c per lb; loose muscatel raisins 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes 6 to 8 1-2c lb.

**NUTS**—Almonds 18c; filberts 12 1-2c; peanuts 10c; Brazil 12 1-4c; walnuts 13c lb.

**SUGARS**—Powdered, 1c and bar, 4 3-4c; Paris lump 6 1-4c; granulated 5 1-4c; extra C, 4 5-8c; fancy yellows 4 1-2c; yellow 4 3-8c lb.

**SYRUPS**—30 gallon barrels, 2 1-4c lb; 10 gallon kegs 2 3-4c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tins \$4.50 each of 10; 1-2 gal. tins \$5.25 case of 20.

**TEAS**—Congo: Fair, 11 1-2c; good 18c; choice 29c; Ceylon and India: fair 20c;

**PRICES IN THE KOOTENAY.**

Special to The Commercial.

Nelson, B.C., Aug. 19.

Butter—Manitoba fresh creamery, 20 to 21c, choice dairy butter, 16c.

Cheese—12c.

Eggs—Ontario, fresh, 20c.

Oats—Per ton, \$39.

Flour—Manitoba patent, per barrel, \$4.80.

Potatoes—Per ton, \$30.

**British Columbia Items.**

A. McNair, shingle mill, Vancouver, is dead.

A Waugh, grocer, is opening at Grand Forks.

R. Godfrey, hotel, Nelson, sold out to Campbell & Bartlett.

H Smith, brewer, Grand Forks, has sold out to Minter & Hauser.

Gaine & Roy, dealers in liquors and clothing, Cascade, are in difficulties.

J Twiford, tents, etc., Victoria, has given up business, and is moving to Altn.

McDougall & Worth, livery Trail, have dissolved, now McDougall & Jordan.

Goodenough & Walmsley, hotel, Kaslo, have dissolved; Walmsley & McPherson continue.

The following have suffered by fire at Trail: Madden & Dallan, hotel; Hallett & Shaw, lawyers; Henry Sauve, confectioner; W. E. Weeks, hotel.

Turner, Beeton & Co., wholesale general merchants, Victoria, have consolidated with H. C. Beeton & Co., of London, Eng., and incorporated under the name of Turner, Beeton & Co., Ltd.

The following business places are reported opening at the new town of Phoenix: Hunter, Kendrick & Co., Ltd., general store; Jos. Hedges, livery also drug store, stationary store, cigar store, etc.

J H Todd, of J. H. Todd & Son, wholesale grocers, etc., Victoria, is dead. Mr. Todd was one of the oldest and best known merchants of the Pacific Coast. He was largely interested in the salmon canning industry.

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**Toronto Grocery Market.**

Toronto, Aug. 19.  
**SUGARS**—Granulated, delivered Toronto to \$4.05; yellows, from \$3.75 upwards.  
**SYRUPS**—Imperial gallons, medium, 52c; special bright, 35 to 42c.  
**MOLASSES**—West India, barrels, 32 to 45c; New Orleans, 26 to 30c for medium and 35 to 47c for bright.  
**COFFEE**—Rio, green, 7 1-2 to 12c; Mocha, 25 to 28c; Java, 25 to 32c.  
**TEAS**—Japan, low grade, 16 to 20c per lb; Young Hysons, seconds, 16 to 19c; firsts, 25 to 45c; Indian, 18 to 30c; Congous, low grades, 10 to 15c; mediums, 22 to 25c; and fines 40 to 55c; Ceylons, 17 to 25c; Formosa oolongs, 25 to 65c.  
**CANNED GOODS**—Tomatoes, 85 to 90c; peas, 75c to \$1.10; corn, 35c to \$1.10. Futures—Tomatoes, 75 to 80c; corn, 75 to 80c; peas, 70 to \$1; beans, 80c; sifted selected peas, \$1.05 to \$1.20; pumpkins, 70 to 75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 to \$1.80; raspberries, 2's, \$1.60 to \$1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.70 to \$1.80; 3's, \$2.50 to \$2.65; apples, 3's, 85c; gals, \$2.20 to \$2.40. Salmon—Cohoos, prime dark pink fish, \$1.15 to \$1.20; sock-eyes, red fish, \$1.35 to \$1.50; lobsters, halves, \$1.75 to \$1.80; tall, lbs., \$2.50; flats, \$3.10.  
**RICE**—Rice bags, 3-5-8 to 4c; Java, 6 to 6 1-2c; Patna, 5 1-2 to 6c; Japan, 5 1-2 to 6 1-2c.  
**SPICES**—Ginger, Jamaica, 25c; Cochin 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15 to 16c; Amboyana, 18 to 25c; Penang, 28 to 35c; allspice, 20c; nutmegs, 30 to \$1; cream tartar pure, 25 to 28c; compound, 15 to 20c; pepper, black, pure Singapore, 16c; Penang, 15c; compound, 8 to 12c; pepper, pure white, 23 to 30c.  
**DRIED FRUITS**—Raisins, Valencias, fine off-stalk, 5 to 5 1-2c; selected 6 1-2 to 6 1-2c; layers, 6 1-2 to 7c; figs, layers 10's and 28's, 18 to 20c; two stars, 19c; one star, 16 to 19c; provincial currants, 4 1-4 to 4 1-2c; Filistraz, 4 3-4 to 5 1-4c; Patras, 6c; Vostlitzas, 6 1-2 to 7 1-2c. California dried fruits—Apricots, 17 to 20c; pears, 9 to 10c; prunes, 70's to 80's, 7 1-4 to 7 1-2c; 80's to 90's 6 3-4 to 7c; 90's to 100's, 6 to 6 1-2c. Bosnia prunes, 5 to 6 1-2c; Sultanas, 11 to 13c; Hallowee dates, 6 1-4c; Malaga, London layers, \$1.75 to \$1.90 per box; black baskets, \$2.40; blue do., \$2.50; royal clusters, \$4; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, quarter flats 75c, and blue baskets, quarter flats, 85c; Dehesia, clusters, quarter flats, \$1.25.  
**NUTS**—Shelled Valencia almonds 26 to 30c; shelled Jordan almonds, 45c; Bordeaux walnuts, 10 1-2 to 11c; shelled walnuts, 26 to 28c; Gronobles, 12 1-2 to 13c; Sicily filberts, 9 to 10c.  
**PEEL**—Orange, 12 to 13c; lemon, 10 1-2 to 13c; citron, 17 to 20c.

**PROVISIONS.**

**PORK**—Canada mess, \$14 to \$14.50; short cut, \$17; clear shoulder mess, \$12.50.  
**DRY SALTED MEATS**—Long clear bacon, car lots, 7 1-2c; ton and case lots, 7 3-4c; breakfast bacon, 12c; hams, large 11 1-2c; medium 12 to 12 1-2c; small 12 1-2c. The spruce mesquite is 8 spots; 7 of 7-1 of pickle are quoted at less than smoked.  
**LARD**—Merces, 6 1-2c; tuls, 7c; palis, 7 1-4c.

**Toronto Hardware and Paint Prices.**

Toronto, Aug. 19.  
**ANTIMONY**—11 to 11 1-2c per lb. for Cookson's.  
**BARBED WIRE**—f.o.b. Toronto, \$3.25 per 100 lbs.  
**BAR IRON**—\$2 base.  
**BLACK SHEETS**—28 gauge, at \$3.10.  
**BOLTS**—Common carriage bolts, 5-16 inch, 55 per cent; 3-8 and larger, 50 per cent; machine bolts, all sizes, 55 per cent; coach screws, 67 1-2 per cent; blank bolts, 55 per cent; sleigh shoe bolts, 72 1-2 per cent; stove bolts, 60 and 10 per cent; tire bolts, 60 and 10 per cent. Nuts, square, all sizes, 3 3-4c; hexagon, 4 1-4c; tapping nuts, 60 per cent.  
**BRASS**—Roll and sheet, 14 to 16 gauge discount 5 per cent; sheets, hard rolled, 2x4 24 to 25c per lb.; tubing, 25c base.  
**BUILDING PAPER**—Plain building, 28c per roll; tarred lining, 35c; according to

quality; tarred roofing felt, \$1.40 per 100 lbs; carpet felt, \$2.25 per 100 lbs.  
**CANADA PLATES**—All dull, at \$2.75 per 100 lbs; half polished \$2.85; and all bright, \$3.20 per 100 lbs.  
**CEMENT**—Canadian Portland, \$2.65 to \$2.90; English do \$2.90 to \$3.10; German do, \$3.10; Belgian do, \$2.70; Canadian hydraulic cements, \$1.00 to \$1.10; calcined plaster, \$1.90; asbestos cement, \$2.50 per barrel.  
**COIL CHAIN**—1-4 inch, \$6.75; 5-16 in. \$4.75; 3-8 in. \$4.30; 7-16 in. \$4.15; 1-2 in. \$3.05; 5-8 in. \$3.85; 3-4 in. \$3.75.  
**COPPER**—Ingots, copper, 20 to 21c per lb; sheet copper, 21 to 23 1-2c; bar copper 23 1-2 to 25 1-2c.  
**CUP NAILS**—\$2.25 per keg f. o. b. Toronto, Hamilton and London.  
**FENCE WIRE**—Woven, 7 1-2c per rod.  
**FINE STEEL WIRE**—Discount 17 1-2 per cent f.o.b. factory points. We quote for 100 lb. lots. No. 17, \$5; No. 18, \$5.50; No. 19, \$6; No. 20, \$6.65; No. 21, \$7; No. 22, \$7.30; No. 23, \$7.65; No. 24, \$8; No. 25, \$9; No. 26, \$9.50; No. 27, \$10; No. 28, \$11; No. 29, \$12; No. 30, \$13; No. 31, \$14; No. 32, \$15; No. 33, \$16; No. 34, \$17; Extras not. Tinned wire—Nos. 17-25, \$2; Nos. 26-31, \$4; Nos. 32-34, \$6. Copied, red, 75c; oiling 10c; in 25 lb. bundles, 15c; in 5 and 10 lb. bundles 25c; in 1 lb. hanks, 50c; in 1-2 lb. hanks, 75c; in 1-4 lb. hanks, \$1; packed in casks or cases, 15c; bagging or papering 10c.  
**GALVANIZED IRON**—28 gauge, \$5 per 100 lbs.  
**GLASS**—Star, first break in 50 foot boxes, \$2.10, and in 100 ft. boxes, \$4.00; double diamond under 25 united inches in 100 foot boxes, \$6; Toronto, Hamilton and London. Terms 4 months or 3 per cent 30 days.  
**GREEN WIRE CLOTH**—\$1.75 per 100 square feet.  
**HARVEST AND GARDEN TOOLS**—60 and 5 to 60 and 10 per cent.  
**HORSE NAILS**—Standard oval head, 50 per cent; Acadia counter sunk head, 50 and 20 per cent.  
**HORSESHOES**—Iron shoes, light, medium and heavy, \$3.60 f.o.b. Toronto, Hamilton and Guelph.  
**IRON PIPE**—1-4 to 3-8 inch, \$3.35 1-2 inch, \$3.40; 3-4 inch, \$4; 1 inch, \$5.50; 1 1-4 inch, \$7.35; 1 1-2 inch, \$9.25; 2 inch, \$12.50; 2 1-2 inch to 6 inch discount 45 per cent. Galvanized Pipe—1-2 inch, \$6.50; 3-4 inch, \$8; 1 inch, \$11; 1 1-4 inch, \$15.25; 1-2, \$19; 2 inch, \$27.  
**LEAD PIPE**—Ordinary pipe, 7c; waste, 7 1-2c; discounts, 20 per cent.  
**PIG LEAD**—Imported at 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c per lb.  
**PIG TIN**—37c per lb.  
**JOINTY NETTING**—Discount of 40 per cent.  
**RIVETS AND BARRS**—Carriage section wagon box rivets, etc., steel, 60 per cent off the list; do., Norway iron, 55 per cent; black M rivets, steel, 60 per cent; do Norway iron, 45 per cent; iron burrs, 40 per cent; copper rivets, 55 per cent; bifurcated, with box \$1.25; coppered iron rivets and burrs, in 5 lb. carton boxes, 30c per lb.  
**ROPE**—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 11 1-2c; 3-8 in. 12c; 1-4 and 5-16 in. 12 1-2c; Manila, 7-16 in. and larger, 13c; 3-8 in. 12 1-2c; 1-4 to 5-16 in. 14c; deep sea line, 13 1-2c for water laid and 14 1-2c for machine made; hemp, 7 to 9c; lath yarn, 8 3-4c; Clothesline, 48 feet, 90c; 60 feet, \$1.20; 72 feet, \$1.50; 100 feet, \$2.  
**SCREWS**—Flat head bright, 50 and 5 per cent off the list; round head bright, 75 and 5 per cent; flat head brass, 75 and 5 per cent; round head brass 67 1-2 and 5 per cent; flat head bronze, 67 1-2 and 5 per cent; round head bronze, 62 1-2 and 5 per cent.  
**SHEET ZINC**—8 1-4 to 8 1-2c for cask lots.  
**SMOOTH STEEL WIRE**—The base is \$2.85 per 100 lbs. f.o.b. factory.  
**SPELTER**—7 1-2 to 7 3-4c per lb.  
**SOLDER**—Half and half, 21 to 22c; refined 20 to 21c; wiping, 21 to 19c.  
**STEEL**—Sleigh shoe, \$2.50 base; tire \$2.50; machinery, \$2.65; toe rail, \$2.95; hoop, \$2.75.  
**TINNED SHEETS**—24 gauge, 7 to 7 1-2c; 26, 7 1-2 to 8c; and 28, 9 to 8 1-2c.  
**TIN PLATES**—Base price, bright charcoal, \$6.35 per box.

**WIRE NAILS**—Base price at \$2.75 Toronto and west.  
**PAINTS AND OILS.**  
**CASTOR OIL**—East India, in cases, 9c per lb. and 10c for single tins.  
**GUM SHELLAC**—In cases, 20c. in less than cases, 21c.  
**LINSEED OIL**—Prices delivered at Western Ontario points are: Raw, 1 to 4 barrels, 55c hotted, 1 to 4 barrels, 61c. Prices in Toronto, Hamilton and London are 1c per gallon less.  
**LIQUID PAINTS**—Pure, \$1.00 per gallon; No. 1 quality, 90c per gallon.  
**PARIS WHITE**—90c.  
**PLASTER PARIS**—Ordinary, \$1.75 per barrel; New Brunswick, \$2 to \$2.20 per barrel.  
**RED LEAD**—Genuine, in casks of 560 lbs, \$4.90 to \$5; do. in kegs of 100 lbs, \$5.15 to \$5.50; No. 1 in casks, of 360 lbs, \$4.75; do. kegs of 100 lbs, \$5.  
**SEAL OIL**—59 to 60c per gallon, and yellow seal at 49 to 50c.  
**TURPENTINE**—Price delivered at Western Ontario points are as follows: 1 to 4 barrels, 77c. in less quantities than barrels, 5c per gallon extra will be added and package charged for. Prices in Toronto, Hamilton and London are 1c less than the above. Terms, net 30 days.  
**WHITING**—55c per 100 lbs.; gliders' whitening, 85c.  
**WHITE LEAD**—Ex-Toronto, pure white lead, \$6.12 1-2; No. 1, \$5.75; No. 2, \$5.37 1-2; No. 3, \$5; No. 4, \$4.62 1-2; dry white lead in casks, \$5.10.  
**WHITE ZINC**—Genuine French, V.M. in casks, \$7 to \$7.25; Lehigh, in casks, \$6.

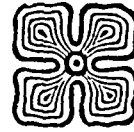
**Minneapolis Markets.**

Compared with a week ago flour is 25c higher; feed lower; oats about 1c lower, with new oats offering freely; corn 1 1-2c higher; butter, 1 1-2c higher; poultry lower.  
**Flour**—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$3.80 to \$3.90; second patents, \$3.60 to \$3.65.  
**Millfeed**—Shorts in bulk, \$10.00; bran in bulk, \$9.50; corn feed, \$11.75 to \$14.25 per ton as to quality.  
**Oats**—No. 3 white, 22 to 23c. New oats, 21 to 21 1-2c.  
**Corn**—Quoted at 29 1-2c for No. 3. Barley—34 to 36c for feed grades. Flax seed—97c per bushel.  
**Eggs**—12c for strictly fresh, including cases.  
**Cheese**—Choice to fancy, 81-2 to 10c; fair to good, 7 to 8c.  
**Butter**—Creamery, 15 1-2 to 20 1-2c for choice to extras; seconds, 17 to 18c; dairy, 16 to 18 1-2c for choice to fancy; seconds, 13 to 15c.  
**Dress meats**—Mutton, 5 to 7c; lamb, 5 to 10c; veal, 6 to 9c.  
**Poultry**—Live chickens, 5 to 8 1-2c; spring chickens, 11c; turkeys, 5 to 10c; ducks, 6 to 7c; geese, 5c.  
**Potatoes**—New, 16 to 22c per bushel.  
**Hides**—Green salted hides, \$3-4c for No. 1; 7 3-4c for No. 2; steers over 60 lbs, 81-4 and 9 1-4c; sheepskins 25 to 70c each; veal calf, 9 1-2 to 11c; tallow, 3 to 4c; senece root, 21 to 25c.  
**Wool**—Unwashed, fine, 10 to 12c; medium, 12 to 15c; coarse, 13 to 14c.  
**Hay**—Timothy, \$7.00 to \$9.50.  
**Live stock**—Hogs, \$4.15 to \$4.70.

**Dairy Trade Notes.**

The output of cheese in Eastern Ontario this year will be slightly less than last.  
 A new cheese factory has been erected at Sidney, Hastings county, Ontario to replace one burned some time ago. The new factory is said to be a model of neatness and correct construction. It has sixty patrons and will produce 400,000 pounds of cheese per annum. The cost of producing this cheese is 97c per pound—a very low rate.

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**TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 19.

Hardware—Business continues active and prices are firm all through the only changes being upwards. The Manila blockade is telling in ropes, manila and sisal being 1c dearer. Steel wires advanced from \$2.25 to \$3. The discount on fine steel wire has been reduced from 25 to 17 1-2 per cent. Clothes line wire has been advanced to \$3.30 from \$2.75 to \$3. Picture wire has advanced 150 per cent. White zinc paint is 1 to 1 1-2c higher. Linseed oil has advanced 1c. Turpentine is 4c higher at 70c per gallon. Other advances are: Heavy T, and strap hinges, 1c; M. L. S. tin plates, 25c per box; lanterns, 50c; sash weights, sectionals from \$1.75 to \$3.25 per cwt., solids \$1.25 to \$1.50; japanned N. P. door knobs, 10c; copper bull rings, 10c. Discounts have been reduced on cast steel and malleable rakes to 60 and 10; on Canadian locks to 45 per cent; broad draw knives to 55 per cent; wrought brass butts discount abolished; first joint wrought steel butts to 60 and 10. There is also a reduction in discount for rivets.

Groceries—Business is quiet. Travelers in western Ontario have been withdrawn. Canned goods are very firm. The green fruit market is active at fair prices.

**TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 19.

Changes are few. Eggs are steady at 1-2c advance. Choice creamery butter is in good demand at 20 to 21c. Wheat is firmer and Manitoba No. 1 hard has advanced 1-2c. Quotations to-day are:

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$3.90; Manitoba bakers \$3.60; Ontario straight roller, \$3.15 to \$3.20 per barrel for car lots, Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat, 63 to 69c for cars at country points. No 1 hard \$2 1-2, grinding in transit, and 80 1-2c, Toronto freights.

Oats—27c for cars at country points. New oats, 24 to 25c.

Barley—No. 1, 42c at country points for car lots.

Milfeed—Shorts, \$15 to \$16 per ton; bran, \$13 to \$13.50 per ton at country points.

Oatmeal—\$3.80 in bags per barrel, and \$3.50 in wood for car lots, Toronto.

Eggs—Fresh, 12 1-2c.

Butter—dairy, tubs, choice fresh 14 to 16c; seconds, 10 to 13, creamery, tubs, and boxes, 20 to 21c.

Cheese—New, 10 to 10 1-2c for job lots to the local trade.

Hides—8 1-2c for No. 1, 7 1-2c for No. 2, and 6 1-2c for No. 3. Cured hides 83-4 to 9c. Sheepskins and lambskins, 30 to 40c; calfskins, 7 to 9c for No. 1 and No. 2; tallow, 4 to 4 1-4c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 14 to 14 1-2c; unwashed, 8 1-2 to 9c.

Beans—\$1 to \$1.05 per bushel for hand picked.

Dried Apples—5 1-2 to 6 1-2c for round lots; evaporated, 10c.

Maple syrup—90c to \$1.10 per gal. in tins, imperial measure.

Honey—6c to 6 1-2c in bulk; tins, 6 1-2 to 7 1-2c; sectionals, \$1.25 to \$1.40.

Poultry—Turkeys, 10 to 11c; chickens, 50 to 60c per pair.

Potatoes—Steady at 40c per bushel for new.

**TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 15.

Receipts of live stock at the market to-day were: 80 carloads of all kinds, including 1,300 cattle, 1,170 hogs, and 780 sheep and lambs.

Export cattle—Good exporters found ready sale at prices ranging from \$4.25 to \$5 per cwt. Light were in ample supply at \$3.75 to \$4. One bunch of extra choice exporters fetched \$5.10 per cwt.

Butchers' cattle—Prices showed no material change, and choice selections were quoted at \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt. Medium and common grades were in heavy supply at prices ranging from \$3 to \$3.50 per cwt. Inferior brought \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt.

Stockers—These were quotable at \$3 to \$3.50 per cwt. One lot of extra good stockers fetched \$3.50 per cwt.

Sheep and lambs—Quotations remained unchanged from Friday, but export sheep were a little firmer, being quoted 10c per cwt. higher, or \$3.75 to \$4 per cwt. Butcher sheep were quoted at \$3 to \$3.50 each, and bucks were firm at \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt.

Hogs—Choice selections were quoted 1-8c per lb. higher, or \$5.62 1-2 per cwt.; light and thick fats, \$4.75 per cwt.; sows, \$3 per cwt.

**FRIDAY'S MARKET.**

Toronto, Aug. 18.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 60 carloads, including 1,956 hogs and 1,115 sheep and lambs. The demand for all classes of stock showed improvement, but prices remained unchanged at Tuesday's figures.

**MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 19.

Granulated sugar quoted at \$4.55 per 100 lbs. at refineries; yellows, \$3.65 to \$4.30; molasses, 33 1-2c in round lots, and 35c in car lots; syrups, 13-4 to 21-4c, as to quality; Valencia raisins, 43-4 to 51-2c; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 7 to 9c; Mocha, 21 to 23c; Java, 22 to 24c. Rice—Crystal Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B., 3 3-4 to 4c. Canned goods—Canned corn, 90c; peas, 75 to 77 1-2c; tomatoes, 75c; beans, 75 to 77 1-2c.

**MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 19.

Hardware, paints, oils, etc., are steady and an active trade is being done. Prices are firm.

**MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 19.

The produce market is quiet and without special feature except in butter and eggs. These are much stronger and show advances. Eggs have gone up 1-2c on choice fresh grade. Butter is very firm and creamery has advanced 1-2c. Some pet lots are said to have brought fully 1c higher than last week's quotations. Dairy butter is also a shade stronger. The market for cheese is quiet, but stronger, showing 1-4c advance. Potatoes are lower. Oats are quiet and slightly lower. Flour dull and unchanged. Feed steady. Meal slow. Prices to-day are:

Oats—No. 2 white, 30 1-2c afloat basis, 32c in store.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are: Manitoba strong bakers, \$3.60 to \$3.80. Manitoba patents, \$4 to \$4.20.

Milfeed—Bran, \$12.50 to \$13.00 per ton shorts, \$15.00 to \$16.00, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.70 to \$1.75 per sack.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c, calfskins, No. 1, 11c; No. 2, 9c; lambskins and clips, 35 to 40c; tallow, 33-4 to 41-4c.

Eggs—Choice fresh, 13 1-2 to 14c; second grade, 11 to 12c.

Butter—Choice, fresh dairy, 15 1-2 to 16c.

Butter—Choice creamery, 21 to 21 1-2c.

Cheese—Western, 10 3-8 to 10 1-2c; eastern, 10 to 10 1-4c.

Beans—95c to \$1.00 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—Potatoes, 80c per barrel; bags, 40c.

**MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 15.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End abattoir yesterday were 350 cattle and 400 sheep and lambs.

Choice cattle sold as high as 5c; fair to good, 3 1-2 to 4 3-4c, and common stock, 2 1-2 to 3 1-4c, with lean stock, 2 1-4c. Exporters paid 3 3-8 to 3 1-2c per lb. for choice sheep, and lambs fetched \$2.75 to \$4.50 each. Fat hogs sold at 4 1-2 to 5c.

**THURSDAY'S MARKETS.**

Montreal, Aug. 18.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts included 450 cattle and 1,000 sheep and lambs.

There is very little change to note in the cattle market. The demand for local account is fairly active. There is a good shipping enquiry for choice sheep. The only change in prices from Monday's figures is on hogs which have advanced 25c and are now quoted at \$4.50 to \$5.00 per 100 pounds.

**LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKETS.**

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Aug. 18.

The cheese market advanced again this week. The total advance for the week is 2s on both white and colored. White is now quoted at 47s 6d and colored at 48s 6d.

**BRITISH CATTLE MARKET.**

London, Aug. 11.—The live stock market here is firm and values are higher than a week ago. Best states cattle 13c, which is an advance of 1c, while Argentine cattle sold at 1-2c better, at 11 1-2c. Argentina woolled sheep were steady at 13c, and clipped at 12 1-2c.

Liverpool, August 14.—Market firmer for Canadian cattle, prices being 1-2c higher at 11 1-2c. Canadian sheep steady at 11 1-2c.

**LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, August 18.

Canadian and United States steers were easier on both the Liverpool and London markets. Prices for choice steers ranged from 11 3-4 to 12 3-4c per pound, and some sales were made at as high as 13c dressed weight. Refrigerator beef is easier at 9 1-4c.



**New York Wheat**

New York, Aug. 14.—Wheat, Sept. opened 76 3-4c, closed 77 1-4c. Dec. opened 79 1-8c, closed 79 3-4c. May opened 82 1-8c, closed 82 1-2c.

New York, Aug. 15.—Wheat, Sept. opened 76 5-8c, closed 75 5-8c b. Dec. opened 79 1-4c, closed 77 7-8c b. Oct. opened 81 3-4c, closed 80 3-4c n.

New York, Aug. 16.—Wheat, Sept. opened 75 7-8c, closed 76 1-4c b. Dec. opened 78 1-8c, closed 78 3-4c b. May opened 80 7-8c, closed 81 3-4c b.

New York, Aug. 17.—Wheat, Sept. opened 76 7-8c, closed 76 7-8c, Dec. opened 79 1-4c, closed 79 1-4c. May opened 82, closed 82 1-8c.

New York, Aug. 18.—Wheat, Sept. opened 76 3-4c, closed 77c b. Dec. opened 79c, closed 79 1-2c b. May opened 81 7-8c n, closed 82 3-8c.

New York, Aug. 19.—Wheat closed to-day as follows: Sept. 77 3-8c; Dec. 80 1-8c.

Exports from Atlantic ports this week were 1,010,000 bushels.

**Chicago Board of Trade Prices.**

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Wheat, Sept. opened 71 3-8c, closed 71 7-8c. Dec. opened 73 7-8 to 7-4c, closed 74 7-8c. May opened 77 to 76 7-8c, closed 77 1-2c. Corn, Sept. opened 30 7-8, closed 30 3-4c b. Dec. opened 28 5-8 to 1-2c, closed 28 3-8 b. May opened 29 5-8 to 3-4c, closed 29 3-8c b. Oats, Sept. opened 19 3-4c, closed 19 3-4c n. Dec. opened 19 3-4c, closed 19 5-8c. May opened 21 3-8c, closed 21 3-8c a. Pork, Sept. opened \$8.37 1-2c, closed \$8.30. Oct. opened \$8.40, closed \$8.35. Lard, Sept. opened \$5.25 to \$5.27 1-2, closed \$5.20. Oct. opened \$5.32 1-2, closed \$5.25. Ribs, Sept. opened \$5.07 1-2, closed \$5.05 a. Oct. opened \$5.13, closed \$5.10 a. Flax, cash N. W. \$1.06. S. W. \$1.06. Sept. \$1.06 1-2 a. Oct. \$1.05 1-2. Dec. \$1.06 3-4 a.

Chicago, Aug. 15.—Wheat, Sept. opened 71 1-4 to 1-8c, closed 70 1-4c a. Dec. opened 73 5-8c, closed 72 3-8c. May opened 76 3-4 to 5-8c, closed 75 3-4c. Corn, Sept. opened 30 5-8 to 1-2c, closed 30 1-2c a. Dec. opened 28 1-4 to 1-8c, closed 28 1-8c. May opened 29 3-8 to 1-4c, closed 29 1-8c b. Oats, Sept. opened 19 5-8 to 1-2c, closed 19 1-2c. Dec. opened 19 1-2c, closed 19 1-2c. May opened 21 1-4c, closed 21 1-8c. Pork, Sept. opened \$8.30, closed \$8.25. Oct. opened \$8.35 to \$8.37 1-2, closed \$8.30. Lard, Sept. opened \$5.20, closed \$5.15 a. Oct. opened \$5.27 1-2, closed \$5.20. Ribs, Sept. opened \$5.02 1-2, closed \$4.97 1-2. Oct. opened \$5.07 1-2c, closed \$5.02 1-2. Flax, cash N. W. \$1.04 n. S. W. \$1.03 1-2 n. Sept. \$1.04 1-2 a. Oct. \$1.03 1-2. Dec. \$1.00 1-2.

Chicago, Aug. 16.—Wheat, Sept. opened 70 1-2c, closed 70 3-4c. Dec. opened 72 7-8 to 3-4c, closed 73 1-4c. May opened 76c, closed 76 1-2c b. Corn, Sept. opened 30 1-2c, closed 30 1-2c b. Dec. opened 28 1-8c, closed 28 1-4c a. May opened 29 1-4c, closed 29 1-4c b. Oats, Sept. opened 19 5-8 to 1-2c, closed 19 3-4c. Dec. opened 19 5-8 to 1-2c, closed 19 5-8c b. May opened 21 1-4c, closed 21 1-8c. Pork, Sept. opened \$8.25, closed \$8.20 b. Oct. opened \$8.32 1-2c, closed \$8.27 1-2c b. Lard, Sept. opened \$5.12 1-2 to \$5.15, closed \$5.17 1-2c. Oct. opened \$5.20, closed \$5.22 1-2. Ribs, Sept. opened \$4.95 to \$4.97 1-2, closed \$5. Oct. opened \$5, closed \$5.05. Flax, cash N. W. \$1.03. S. W. \$1.01 1-2. Sept. \$1.01 a. Oct. \$1. Dec. \$1.00 1-2.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—Wheat, Sept. opened 71 1-4c, closed 71 4-8c. Dec. opened 73 3-4, closed 73 3-4c. May opened 76 7-8 to 77, closed 76 7-8c. Corn, Sept. opened 30 5-8c, closed 30 5-8c. Dec. opened 28 3-8c to 1-4c, closed 28 1-2c. May opened 29 3-8c, closed 29 5-8c. Oats, Sept. opened 19 3-4c, closed 19 7-8c. Dec. opened 19 3-4c, closed 19 3-4c. May opened 21 3-8c, closed 21 3-8c. Pork, Sept. opened \$8.20, closed \$8.27 1-2. Oct. opened \$8.27 1-2, closed \$8.25. Lard, Sept. opened \$5.17 1-2, closed \$5.20. Oct. opened \$5.22 1-2, closed \$5.25. Ribs, Sept. opened \$5.00, closed \$5.07 1-2; Oct. opened \$5.05, closed \$5.12 1-2.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—Wheat, Sept. opened 71 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 71 5-8c. Dec. opened 73 5-8 to 1-2c, closed 73 7-8c. May opened 76 5-8c, closed 76 7-8c a. Corn, Sept. opened 30 3-4c, closed 21c. Dec. opened 19 7-8c, closed 19 7-8c. May opened 19 3-4c, closed 19 3-4c. Oct. opened 21 1-4c, closed 21 3-8c. Pork, Sept. opened \$8.30, closed \$8.32 1-2c. Oct. opened \$8.40, closed \$8.42 1-2c. Lard, Sept. closed \$5.22 1-2c. Oct. opened at \$5.20 to \$5.22 1-2, closed \$5.30 b. Oct. opened \$5.12 1-2c, closed \$5.15. Flax, cash N. W. \$1.01 1-2. S. W. \$1.03 1-2. Sept. \$1.03. Oct. \$1.03. Dec. \$1.03.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—Wheat opened at 72 1-4c for September option and ranged from the opening price upward to 72 5-8c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—Sept. 72 1-2c, Dec. 74 5-8c.  
Corn—Sept. 32 1-8c; Dec. 28 7-8c.  
Oats—Sept. 20 1-4c, Dec. 19 7-8c.  
Lard—Sept. \$5.25.  
Ribs—Sept., \$5.12 1-2.  
Pork—Sept., \$8.32 1-2.

A week ago September option closed at 70 7-8c. A year ago September wheat closed at 63 1-2c, two years ago at 99 1-2c; three years ago at 57 5-8c, four years ago at 61 7-8c, and five years ago at 54 1-4c.

**DULUTH WHEAT MARKETS.**

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

Monday—Sept., 71 1-4c; Dec., 72 1-4c.  
Tuesday—Sept., 69 1-2c, Dec., 70 1-4c.  
Wednesday—Sept., 70 7-8c; Dec. 71 1-8c.  
Thursday—Sept., 70 5-8c; Dec. 71 5-8c.  
Friday—Sept., 70 5-8c; Dec., 71 3-4c.  
Saturday—Sept., 71 5-8c; Dec. 72 1-2c.

Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 75 3-8c, and cash No. 1 northern at 72 7-8c.

A week ago September wheat closed at 70 1-4c. A year ago September wheat closed at 63 1-2c; two years ago at \$1.00 1-2; three years ago at 58 1-4c; four years ago at 60 1-4c; five years ago at 56c, and six years ago at 58 3-4c.

**CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.**

Chicago, Aug. 19.—Flax seed closed to-day at \$1.04 for September, and December \$1.06 1-2.

**MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.**

Saturday, Aug. 19.—No. 1 northern wheat closed to-day at 69 3-8c, for September option, and 71c for Dec., cash No. 1 northern, 71 5-8c.

**ONTARIO CHEESE MARKETS.**

Ingersoll, Aug. 15.—Offerings, 730 boxes. No sales; 10c offered; majority sold through the week at 9 7-8c to 10c.

Campbellford, Aug. 15.—There was 1,610 boxes boarded. Sales were 330 at 10 3-16c; 180 at 10 3-16c, 100 at 10 1-8c.

**Movements of Business Men.**

Mr. Hartshorn, manager at Winnipeg for the John Abel Co., returned this week from a business trip through the southwestern part of Manitoba.

W. D. Matthews, grain merchant of Toronto, has just returned from a prolonged tour through Western Canada. In a newspaper interview after his return to Toronto he gave a most encouraging report of all that he saw. In every part he found the population increasing, towns and villages growing, public and private improvements being made and every prospect of a most promising future.

**WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.**

Wheat was stronger, in sympathy with the advance at Chicago. There were buyers at 71c for No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, but there appeared to be very little offering.

Lat. r -71 1-1 to 71 1-2c was quoted.

**LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET.**

Liverpool, Aug. 19.—Wheat closed 3-8 to 5-8d higher.

**Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.**

Returns of last week report 66 cars of wheat inspected, which graded as follows: 1 hard, 4; 2 hard, 1; 1 northern, 39; rejected, 0, no grade, 21; condemned, 1.

**Manitoba Wheat Stocks.**

There were 1,754,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on Aug. 14, compared with 1,987,000 bushels one week previously. Receipts for the week were 86,000 bushels and shipments were 349,000 bushels.

Stocks of wheat at Fort William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior country points are estimated at approximately 3,500,000 bushels, compared with about 700,000 bushels a year ago.

**Western Business Items.**

D. Sissons, merchant, of Carlton, Sask., is dead.

T. E. Lee intends opening a harness shop at Grenfell, Assa.

J. G. Vosburgh, hotel, Macleod, Alta., is succeeded by Alex. McPherson.

J. E. Sanders, general merchant, Dauby Lake, has moved to Fort Frances and gone into business in that town.

The proposed association of Manitoba elevator men has been fully organized and includes all the principal elevator firms of the country. The officers which have recently been chosen are as follows: President, Wm. Martin, of the Northern Elevator Co.; vice-president, Robert Muir; secretary-treasurer, J. A. Thompson; executive committee, dt. Martin, Jno. Love, and S. A. McGaw.

**Tenders.**

Edward L. Drewry, Winnipeg, is advertising for tenders for his supply of hay for the ensuing year.

Tenders will be received up to the 22nd of August for the erection of a brick church at Mather, Man.

Tenders are wanted for the erection of a school house on lot 27, St. Francois Xavier. P. Lavallée is the secretary.

Tenders, addressed to the commissioner of public works at Regina, and marked tender for Belly River bridge, will be received up to the 30th of August for the erection and completion of the substructure and approaches to a steel bridge over Belly river near Pace's Crossing.

Tenders addressed to the chairman of the committee on works, Winnipeg, will be received up to Wednesday, August 23rd, 1899, for the construction of the following works, viz.: Sewer on Selkirk avenue, from Salter street to McGregor street. Boulevards, on both sides of Selkirk avenue, from Main street to the Red river bank.

The D. McCall Co., wholesale millinery, will hold their fall opening at their Winnipeg warehouses on Sept. 1. They will have a fine display of season goods.