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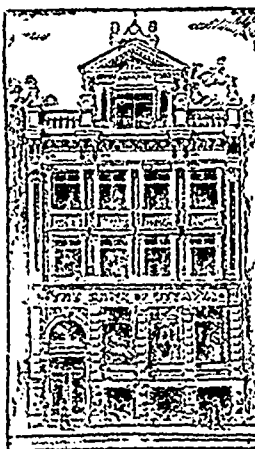
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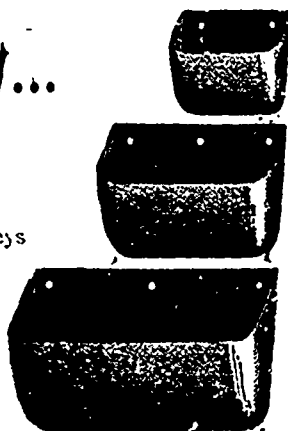
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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 6, 1898.

Another New Wholesale Warehouse.

The first new warehouse to be completed and occupied in Winnipeg this year is the premises of the Macpherson Fruit company. Early in the spring the company moved to temporary quarters on Princess street, and as soon as their old premises were vacated, the building was torn down, the debris removed and work was begun on the new brick structure which now occupies the site of their old premises. The work was pushed forward as rapidly as possible and the new warehouse has now been occupied for a short time by the company, affording excellent facilities for carrying on their large wholesale trade in fruits, etc.

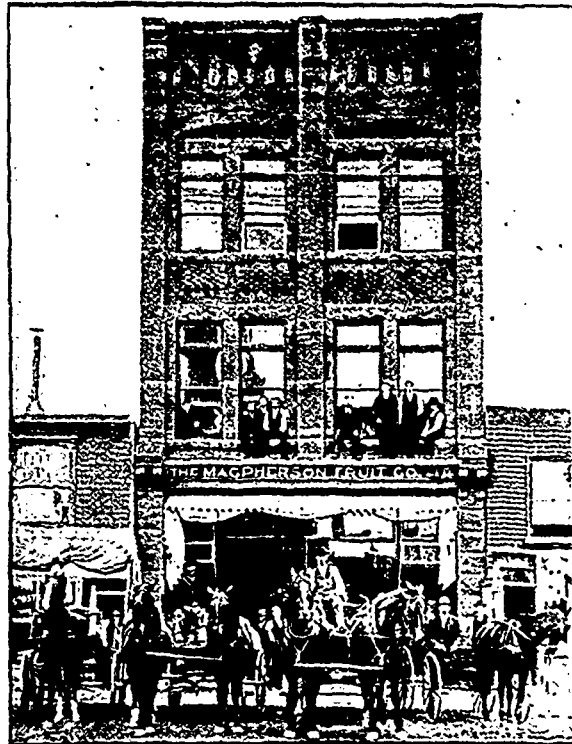
The new warehouse is a solid brick and stone structure, size 25 by about 100 feet, three stories and basement. The location is on Main street, and right in the heart of the city, being opposite the city hall. So far as location is concerned, it is the most conspicuous wholesale warehouse in the city. A handsome office has been fitted up in the front of the building on the ground floor, where Mr. Scott, manager of the company, has his private desk, and where cash business is transacted. The shipping room is in the rear on this floor, convenient to the elevator. The entrance to the vault is also on this floor, as is also the furnace, for heating purposes. The basement is said to be the deepest in the city, thus ensuring a cool basement. The furnace has been placed on the ground floor so as to obviate the drying and heating tendency which it would exercise in the basement, which apartment it is desired to keep cool. The basement

ceiling is ten feet clear. A hot weather banana room has been fitted up in the basement. On the second floor two apartments have been fitted up for banana rooms, where they can be ripened up and handled to advantage in cool weather, in the spring of the year. When not required for the banana trade, they will be used for storage of nuts, etc. The front part of the second floor is taken up with the general business offices, and the rear portion is used for the packing room. An eight horse power electric motor for running the elevator is located in the packing room. The elevator is a large one, and it has all the latest appliances for passenger elevators, so that while it serves for a freight elevator, it is perfectly safe and convenient of use as a passenger elevator. The third floor will be used mostly for dried fruits and for the storage of grapes in the fall. With the increased facilities now at their disposal the company

send cold chills over anyone stepping inside of it. Better shipping facilities it would be practically impossible to get than the Macpherson Fruit company have at their new warehouse. The land acquired in the rear also gives them room to enlarge any time their business may require it.

Cheaper Telegraphy.

The new copper wire along the line of the Canadian Pacific railway, which has been in course of construction during the past three months, will very shortly be completed to the Pacific coast. This will afford increased telegraph facilities, and in view also of the early completion of the wires along the Crow's Nest railway into the Kootenay district which will give the C. P. R. another route and greatly facilitate the handling of messages the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph an-



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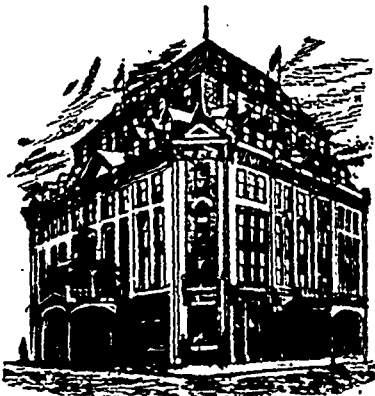
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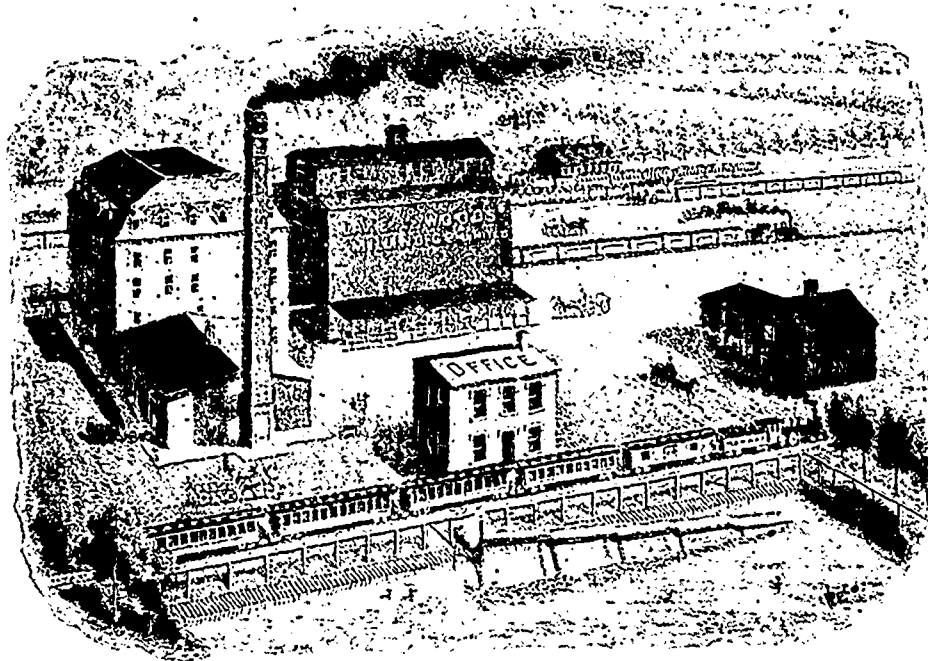
This important Manitoba centre is sharing fully in the general prosperity which has fallen to the lot of the agricultural districts of western Canada for the past two years. The chief town of the most thickly settled and highly cultivated portion of this prairie province, and to some extent a railway centre as well. It is found to progress rapidly and in time to be a large and influential agricultural town. Conditions in this place are at present exceedingly encouraging. The grain crops are nearing maturity and give promise of an abundant yield. Money is fairly plentiful even at this time as a result of the success of last year's agricultural operations; the proportion of indebtedness to gross investment is very much smaller than heretofore. Many of the farmers have money to lend, and the general mercantile business of the town is on a

planned by G. F. Stephens & Co., of Winnipeg.

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Some idea may be gathered of the extent and magnitude of the business done in Portage la Prairie when it is learned that there are several retail trading concerns here which have an annual turnover of upwards of \$100,000 each. One of the most interesting business concerns in Portage la Prairie is the Farmers' Trading company, which does a strictly retail business, and extends this not only throughout the district immediately tributary to Portage la Prairie but to all parts of the province as well, using the mail order system. This company handles all kinds of farmers' supplies, provisions, implements, etc. Crighton's tea establishment is another interesting and progressive Portage la Prairie concern. Other lines of household goods are also

the produce market is stiffening up rapidly and numerous telegrams were shown to prove the assertion. These telegrams coming from Manitoba quoted creamery at the factories at 16 1/2 and 17 cents and jobbers claim that with charges added the lowest price creamery can be sold at to-day is 20 1/2 to the trade. As regards dairy there are so many different grades and so much of the inferior grade on the market that it is difficult to give a fair price and it can only be quoted at from 14 to 18. All the jobbers in Vancouver and British Columbia urge The Commercial through your correspondent to keep hammering away at the butter shippers in Manitoba to send their butter in better shape. If the farmers, storekeepers and creamery people could but see the shape it reaches here in, even when sent in refrigerators they would refrain from embarrassing the trade as they do. Mr. Griffin, produce merchant here, states that in despair he recently sent word to a shipper to be more



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safer and more conservative basis. Building has not been very extensively entered into in Portage la Prairie this year, which is not an unfavorable sign, as the number of business premises was somewhat in excess of requirements for a time, and the surplus accommodation is very wisely being utilized before fresh additions are made. There is one important exception in this respect, however, that is, a new block which is being erected on Saskatchewan avenue—the main business thoroughfare—by Dr. Cowan, to be occupied by J. & E. Brown's general store. This block is 75x80 feet, three stories and basement. The Messrs. Brown will occupy two floors and basement and the top floor is to be reserved for a lodge room for the Oddfellows and other fraternal orders. The building is of brick and will be a handsome addition to the business premises of the town. Griffith, of Winnipeg is the architect.

The Hudson's Bay Company premises here are being improved by the addition of a fine plate glass front sup-

ported.

The business of Marlatt & Houssor, lumber dealers, is now carried on under style of G. B. Houssor & Co.

Portage la Prairie has several industries, the most conspicuous of which is the big flour mill of the Lake of the Woods Milling company. This is a strictly first-class mill, both in respect to capacity and the thoroughly modern nature of its equipment. The famous hard wheat of the Portage plains is converted into flour at this mill, and shipped westward to Australia, China, Japan, etc., as well as eastward to Great Britain, while the domestic trade of the mill extends from Victoria, B. C., to Halifax, N. S.—in fact all over our broad Dominion. We show herewith a cut of the Lake of the Woods company's mill and elevator at Portage la Prairie.

Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, Aug. 1.—There were numerous changes in the market during the past week. Jobbers declare that

careful with his shipments or he would cease handling his produce. To his disgust the next shipment that came arrived in smaller parts than ever, some of them scarcely weighing half a pound and so small that they were almost running like oil. The trade here are dumfounded at the ignorance displayed by the shippers in Manitoba as to how goods should be sent to be fit for use in the outside market. During this hot weather the butter should come packed in tubs to be taken on its arrival here to the cold storage and made up into pound squares, the added moisture necessary to making it over adding to the bulk and consequently not adding to the cost of the butter, as there are some four pounds more added in every twenty-five pounds.

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Eggs are now coming in much better shape from Manitoba, perhaps in some degree owing to The Commercial's numerous warnings. The same cannot be said of the eastern market. The European market is now clamoring for eggs and as a dozen eggs is a dozen eggs in the west, regardless of size, but not to the same extent in Europe, the eastern Canadian shippers are packing their big eggs to Europe and sending their small eggs to British Columbia. Many of those arriving are no bigger than pigeon eggs and all are very small, while from Manitoba they are coming in fair condition and are a good average size.

A telegram shown to The Commercial to-day intimated that prices were stiffening and that the factories were not tumbling over one another to cut prices. Jobbers here claim they cannot sell the commodity in British Columbia under 11 and 12 cents to the retail trade.

The flour and feed trade is dull just now owing to its being between seasons, and it is extremely hard to quote prices that may be understood owing to dealers cutting rates. If a man sends to the jobber for a ton of hay for his horse, being a private citizen, he is charged \$15, but where competition is invited the same hay will go to a stable or for the camp at \$13 or perhaps \$12.50.

Word comes from the U. S. salmon banks that the traps are averaging 20,000 a day at this writing. This is above all previous records, and fears are dispelled as to their not being a big pack on the Fraser. The northern canneries are all through and report almost a full pack. San Jose scale and codlin moth are responsible for many seizures of California fruit by the government here.

British Columbia Board of Trade.

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Board of Trade of Victoria, B. C., was held on July 15th. The chair was occupied by President Kirk. The annual report summarized the progress of the principal industries of the province. We give some extracts: Notwithstanding the excitement caused by the discovery of placer gold in the Klondike region, mining in British Columbia has not been neglected, and the output of 1897 exceeded the previous year by 40 per cent.

The following table, prepared by the provincial mineralogist shows the yearly output of all the mines in the province since 1890.

Year.	Amount.	Per cent.
1890	\$ 2,608,803	
1891	3,521,102	35
1892	2,378,530	
1893	3,588,413	21
1894	4,225,717	18
1895	5,613,042	33
1896	7,507,956	34
1897	10,465,268	40

When it is considered that in 1892 the total output of lode mines was only \$100,000, against \$7,050,000 in 1897, a better idea can be formed of the progress made in silver-lead and copper-gold mining. The apathy which previously existed toward the smelting of ores in British Columbia is fast disappearing, with the certainty that they can be treated profitably. In this connection the following figures are interesting: 68,304 tons of Rossland copper-gold averaging \$30.48 per ton, returned a

profit of \$12 to \$16 per ton; 33,576 tons of Slooan ore assaying 103.5 silver per ton, and 45.7 per cent lead, gross value \$97.70 per ton, returned a profit of \$50 to \$55 per ton. The output of Vancouver Island coal in 1897 was 892,235 tons, of which 619,560 tons was exported. About one-third of the coal imported into California during the same period was from these mines. The manufacture of coke is progressing satisfactorily, 17,331 tons being the output in 1897. This is a new industry, only 1,565 tons being produced in 1895-96.

It was expected that the salmon pack of 1897 would be large, but the total pack of 1,015,577 cases, an increase of 55 per cent. over and above the previous highest record exceeded the hopes of the most sanguine. The increase was almost exclusively from the Fraser river and is accounted for principally by the hatchery established there in 1884: the diminution of seals in the Pacific ocean is believed to have had a beneficial effect on the salmon run. A combine of the principal salmon canners in British Columbia was formed in December last for the purpose of preventing undue competition in the British markets. This has had a beneficial effect, and has worked satisfactorily in the interests of all concerned. The Dominion government receipts from salmon fishing licenses in British Columbia amounted to about \$50,000 in 1897, whilst the total expenditure of the department of fisheries was not much over \$10,000. The knowledge of these facts adds to the disappointment caused by the department's failure to comply with the canners' request that salmon hatcheries be established on the Skeena and Naas rivers and on Rivers inlet and additional hatcheries on the Fraser river. It was expected, further, that a specialist would be stationed in British Columbia for the purpose of studying fish life more completely. Oysters and lobsters have been brought from the east and planted in British Columbia tidal waters, and the first reports of these experiments were favorable.

The Crops.

N. P. CROPS.

The Northern Pacific crop report for the week ending July 31st, is as follows:

Brandon—The weather continues cool with frequent showers and the crop has improved wonderfully the last two weeks. Potatoes and other root crops are doing remarkably well. With present weather harvesting will not commence for three weeks.

Rounthwaite—Weather since last report has been rather dry for the crops. The average yield promises to be rather low. There are some very good fields, while the greater part of them are fair to very poor. Vegetables, oats and barley are suffering for want of moisture. Hay is a very light yield. Wheat may yield an average of fifteen bushels to the acre.

Wawanesa—Weather during the past week has been favorable for the growing crops. Temperature moderate, with light showers of rain. The crops are well advanced and looking fine. The yield will be much larger than at first expected, the wheat is heading out much better than last year. No damage by hail in this vicinity.

Hilton—Weather since my last report has been favorable for the crops which are now looking much improved. Wheat promises a yield of eighteen to twenty bushels per acre on an aver-

age. Harvesting will not commence for about three weeks yet. Farmers are now busy haying but are being delayed considerably by wet weather.

Belmont—The weather during the last week has been mostly cloudy and cool with a few light showers. The wheat is all well headed out and with favorable weather harvesting will commence in about three weeks. All garden stuff and roots are looking well. Haying is well under way.

Baldin—Since last report weather has been very favorable and it is remarkable the way crops are improving. Some fields of wheat will yield thirty bushels per acre, and it is estimated that the average will be eighteen bushels to the acre. Oats are ripening fast and cutting should commence about the middle of this month, wheat a week later with favorable weather.

Somerset—Weather past week has been fine for growing crops, everything looking fine.

Altamont—Crops of all kinds doing well. Farmers looking forward to a bountiful harvest. Most farmers expect to begin harvesting in ten days or two weeks.

Miami—The weather during the last week has been rather cool for forcing the ripening of the wheat. The fields are turning yellow showing that in a few warm days the rattle of the binder will be heard. The crop could hardly look finer than at present and the yield should be good. Next report will give an estimate of the probable yield. Roots are an immense crop, especially potatoes. Cannot say as yet how they will yield.

Roland—Crops continue to do well. Several pieces of barley and oats will be cut in the course of a week or ten days. Wheat turning fast. The weather is cooler, several light showers, but no rain. Winds chiefly north-west and westerly.

Morris—Wheat, oats and barley looking well. Should wheat have as favorable weather as last week we will have an early harvest; some of it on the turn now. Have seen a number of fields during week and have never seen better prospects at this time of year. Oats and barley also out in head, and they are good and plump. Haying is general and is good.

St. Jean—Light rain July 27th and 30th. Ground considered in good condition.

Letellier—Crops in good condition, maturing rapidly. A few small pieces of early barley have been cut. Wheat and oats are turning. Weather favorable, prospects good. Cannot say at present what the average yield will be, but expect it will be almost double that of last year.

Emerson—Crops of all kinds looking well. Weather during the past week all that could be desired. Wheat filling rapidly and indications point to an early harvest. Looks now as if a week or ten days would see harvesting quite general.

Portage la Prairie—Since last report the weather has been generally cool with rain nearly every day. Crops are looking well, and with a few warm days the grain will mature rapidly, and some fields may be ready for the binder next week, in fact, some barley has been cut already, and one or two fields of wheat can be cut as soon as the weather is favorable. Harvesting will not be general, however, for ten days or two weeks. The damage from hail in this district covers a very small area and the damage is only partial where it struck, and will probably not amount to more than five

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CROPS ALONG THE M. & N. W.

The Manitoba and Northwestern Railway company's crop report for the two weeks ending August 1st is published to-day. The tone is very favorable, with a very few exceptions. No damage from hail or frost is reported and the crops are from one week earlier to one week later than last year. Cutting will commence in from ten to twenty days and the yield per acre will exceed that of last season. The individual reports of the various agents along the Northwest-ern are as follows:

Westbourne—Crops of all kinds continue to look first class. If weather keeps fine harvest will begin in about ten days and will be general by the 15th. This is about one week earlier than last year. Yield is expected to be ahead of the last two years and wheat will probably average 27 bushels to the acre. No damage by hail or frost.

Gladstone—Harvesting will commence here about 15th inst., which is about same date as last year. All kinds of grain looking well. Wheat will average 18 to 20 bushels to the acre. Oats about 35. No damage by hail or frost and weather continues favorable.

Arden—Weather during the past two weeks has been very good for wheat to fill in, good warm showers almost every day and cool nights. Harvest will be about ten days in advance of last year, a few farmers will commence cutting wheat and barley the latter part of this week; harvest will be general first of next week. Wheat expected to yield from 15 to 25 bushels per acre; oats about 40. No damage by hail or frost in past two weeks.

Neepawa—Crops are in good condition and will be ready to harvest about 20th inst., which is about the same date as last year. Grain is filling out well and promises to be a good plump sample. Average yield will probably be: Wheat 18 bushels to the acre; oats, 35.

Minnedosa—Wheat cutting will commence about the 15th inst. and will be general at latter part of month. Wheat crop gives promise of a very large yield as heads are well filled out. Other grains are advancing rapidly and appearances indicate a large yield also. No damage by hail or frost since last report. Harvesting generally will not be earlier than last year.

Raple City—Grain of all kinds looking well and about six days in advance of last year. Wheat and barley cutting will commence about the 15th. Average yield per acre estimated will be about: Wheat 18 bushels to the acre, oats and barley from 30 to 35 bushels. No damage by hail in this immediate district. Haying is well advanced and is a plentiful crop.

Newdale—The heavy rains of the past two weeks have kept all kinds of grain growing and filling out nicely. Some fields of wheat will be cut about the 15th inst. but the harvest will not be general until the end of the month. Yield and sample promises to be good. Haying started, and said to be a good crop. No damage reported here.

Strathclair—We have had good rains every day during the last two weeks. The grain is well filled out, but warm weather is now needed. Farmers expect a fair yield, but say it will not be up to last year's crop. No damage by frost. Harvesting not

expected to commence until about the 1st of Sept., which will be nearly two weeks later than last year.

Shon Lake—A great deal of rain has fallen during the past two weeks. Crops are doing very well, but warm weather is now required. No damage by frost as yet. A fair yield of wheat and oats is expected, but not up to last year's average. Harvest not expected to commence until the end of the month, about a week later than last year.

Misearth—Crops in general are coming on well here. Wheat is filling out well and beginning to ripen. Yield will be good as far reported. Cutting will commence in some places about the 20th. Oats are doing well and show signs of a fair yield. No damage by hail or frost reported.

Birtle—Wheat is filling out in good shape, yield will not be heavy, but present conditions are favorable for a good sample. With favorable weather cutting should commence about the 21st, perhaps sooner in some localities. No damage reported from hail since last report.

Russell—The growing grain is filling out well, the recent rains having done much to improve their appearance. The light frost of the 19th inst. has slightly damaged more or less of the crop, but to what extent is hard to estimate. Some fields had a large yield while others look poor and taken as a whole it is not expected it will be up to last year's crop. Harvest will commence about the 25th inst., which is about the same date as last year.

Langenburg—The crops in this district are making great progress. All wheat is headed out. Cutting will commence about 15th and will be general by 25th. Oats are also doing well. The late rains have helped the crops greatly. Crop in general is about one week later than at this time last year. No damage by frost or hail.

Salteats—Crops of all kinds are advancing nicely in this vicinity. Wheat is beginning to fill out. Oats are heading out nicely. They were retarded slightly by frost but not damaged. Barley is all headed out and forming. Weather has been favorable for all kinds of grain, and no damage reported by frost or hail.

Yorkton—Crops in this district are not turning out so well as was expected. Hot winds some weeks ago did a good deal of damage. General average is estimated will be about ten bushels to the acre as against eighteen last year. Harvesting will not commence for four or five weeks yet which will be nearly two weeks later than last year.

Annual Meeting of the Hudson's Bay Company.

English papers to hand give full reports of the annual meeting of the Hudson's Bay company, held in London recently. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal presided, and in moving the adoption of the report, referred at length to the finances of the company. He continued: The increased prosperity of the farmers was seen by their regular payments of interest, repayment of the mortgages, and the better class of buildings which were being erected in many parts of the country. It was estimated that at least 25 per cent. more land was under cultivation this year than last, and up to the present the weather had been favorable, and there was every indication of the harvest being a good

one, although occasionally sharp frosts came in August to mar expectations. It was, however, satisfactory to know that throughout the country, as cultivation went on, there was less fear of injury from frost. That was the experience throughout the whole of the Northwest of Canada, and also in the United States of America. The progress in Winnipeg as a commercial centre of the Northwest was typical of that throughout the whole country. Mining in the western part of Canada, notably in the Kootenay country and the mining districts of southern British Columbia, had made great progress. Several companies had been successfully floated and were considered to be on a paying basis, although he was afraid that all the companies that had been started for mining in the Yukon and in Klondike would not be fortunate in every respect. Great care ought to be taken in investing money in what, after all, was but a venture. The company was extending their operations throughout that part of the country, and there was every reason to hope that a profitable and satisfactory business might be done. They were establishing posts at Glenora, Teslin Lake and at Fort Selkirk, in the Yukon district, and they had two steamboats successfully working in the Stikine river. The "travel" towards the Yukon had somewhat fallen off, owing chiefly to the war between the United States and Spain, which had attracted a considerable proportion of the floating population. While taking advantage of the amount of trade which offered, the company's operations were of such a nature that in the event of the anticipated "rush" not being altogether realized, they would not suffer from their capital being unduly locked up. Improved efficiency in Canada and London had been accompanied by greater economy. The supervision over their business they considered to be excellent.

The price obtained for their land last year gave an average of \$1.85 per acre, or 10c less than in the previous year. This, however, did not imply that the value of the land in the old districts had decreased, but that by the opening up of new districts by railways, land which formerly was practically unsalable, was now coming into the market. From the position of their land, distributed as it was throughout the whole of the fertile belt and in every township, there could be no extension of railways which was not to the company's interest, as no line could be more than three miles from some of the sections of their land. They were entitled for fifty years after 1870 to one-twentieth of all the land surveyed within the fertile belt. This year had been a very considerable increase of immigration into the Northwest, and that of a very excellent class of people. They had the advantage of having a visit here in February last from the commissioner. The latter had visited British Columbia and had been much during the previous twelve months throughout the country in which the company's posts and stations were situated; and it was deemed advisable to consult him personally in order to be better prepared to take measures for meeting the changed circumstances in British Columbia, and more especially in the Yukon or Klondike country, owing to the expected great influx of people in consequence of the discovery of gold in large quantities. It was the desire of the company to do the best they could to profit by

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this—not by mining, but by supplying the miners. Measures had been adopted for dealing with the new condition of affairs in such a way as best to serve the company's interests, and these were now being carried out under the commissioner's direct supervision, aided by a competent staff. During April, May, and June—which did not come into the accounts of this year—the land sales were as follows: Farm lands, 24,400 acres, for \$125,000, and 30 town lots for \$13,336, as against 8,786 acres of farm lands for \$45,136, and 17 town lots for \$2,394 in the same period of 1897. There was thus a difference in favor of the present year to hope for continued progress and success.

The Earl of Lichfield (deputy-governor), seconded the motion. The governor, in answer to questions, expressed his opinion that most excellent advice was given to the shareholders in 1869 by the then governor (the late Lord Idlesleigh). At that time there was a question with reference to the company's rights to the land in the Northwest: it was held by many that the charter of Charles II did not give them full right in the land. Apart from that altogether, however, he thought that the company did well in annexing their land to the Dominion of Canada. Their position at the time was anomalous, and by taking the step they did, they removed an incubus, and a source of great expense from their shoulders, they obtained £300,000 immediately, and they had since received £100,000 from their land, which had been paid back to the shareholders as capital. This was not a bad return, after all, to begin with, and they still had a great inheritance in the lands they owned. There was a revision every year of all their accounts, and they looked upon the item of "outstanding balances," as in most cases equal, or nearly equal, to actual cash.

The motion was then unanimously adopted.

Grain and Milling News.

William Hope has purchased the Rogers brothers elevator at Carberry, Man.

The Northern Elevator company, Winnipeg will erect an elevator at Pettibiece.

The Dominion Elevator Co., Winnipeg, will build an elevator at St. Jean, Man.

The Canada North West Elevator company has built an elevator at Teesbank, Man.

A bonus of \$2,500 is offered for the erection of a 50 barrel flour mill at Carnuff, Assa.

Kenneth Campbell, of Brandon, will soon have a new elevator completed at Forrest. This makes the third at that point which is only eight miles from Brandon.

The Lake of the Woods Milling company has decided to erect elevators at five points in the west this summer. Work on the one at Sintabeta has commenced; two of the other points selected are Alameda and Valley River, and two yet to select.

An elevator is being erected at the linseed oil works, Winnipeg, and considerable new machinery has been installed in the works, increasing the capacity and efficiency of the industry.

J. H. Smith, of Winnipeg, has about completed the construction of a new

elevator at Indian Head, Assa, for Brady, Love & Tryon, the capacity of which will be 34,000 bushels. Mr. Smith will build another elevator for the same company at Qu'Appelle station.

The Winnipeg Free Press says: "The flax crop of Manitoba this year promises to be a good one. The acreage is much larger than it was last year." This is at variance with the provincial government report, which places the area this year at only 14,561 acres, compared with 20,000 acres for the two previous years and 82,630 acres for 1895.

Grocery Trade Notes.

Mail reports from Sicily are to the effect that the crop of filberts promises well and will be a full average one. Prices are tending lower.

Cable advices received from Greece quote 12s for Provincials and 13s 6d for Amalia currants for August shipment. The first of the new crop will be ready for shipment about the middle of August. The season is said to be about ten days earlier than usual.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: It seems that buyers are beginning to understand that in order to buy new Japans they will have to pay up. Still quite a number of buyers continue to hold off, one of whom yesterday fancied the market was a trifle easier.

The Montreal Gazette says: Business in canned goods has been quiet owing to the fact that packers generally have withdrawn from the market for the present as the prospects for the crops are none too promising. The undertone of the market is firm and agents are now asking 30c for new pack tomatoes; 75c for corn, and 70c for peas for future delivery.

Hardware and Paint Trade.

A strike is reported from Cleveland, Ohio, at the works of the N. P. Nail company and the American Wire company.

The Montreal Gazette says: The market for glass is very firm and prices are fully maintained at the late advance. There is no change in oils, linseed continuing to maintain its firmness. Foreign advices note a sharp decline in castor oil in barrels.

The Lumber Trade.

D. Sprague, of the Winnipeg saw mills, expects his logs to arrive any day now, down the Red river. This is later than usual, the low water having delayed moving the logs earlier.

The lumber manufacturers propose treating the retailers to an excursion on the Lake of the Woods, starting on August 15. All the big companies are joining together to give the excursion, and no doubt a jolly time will be had.

The Minneapolis Lumberman says: During the past two weeks the market for red cedar shingles has materially improved, and dealers east of the mountains are assured of an advance of about five cents on prices that were ruling previous to that time. The demand has increased and the mills on the coast are working full time, turning out shingles for the fall trade. The fir market has been good all the year, and there is no let up at the present time.

The government has received many applications for timber reserves along

the new Southeastern railway. The department, however, has decided to allow these applications to stand until the line has been permanently located. Then the policy pursued in respect to the timber lands along the C. P. R. main line east of the province will be inaugurated and the timber divided into cordwood berths, about sixteen miles square, and offered to the highest bidder.

Freight Rates.

Grain and flour rate, Chicago to New York, 18c per 100 lbs. Ocean rates New York to Liverpool, 11-2d per 100 lbs. Chicago to Liverpool, through wheat rate, 71-2c per bushel. Lake rate, Chicago to Buffalo, 11-8c wheat.

The Crow's Nest railway agreement called for certain reductions in freight rates by the C. P. R. in return for concessions granted the company by the government. One reduction which was to go into effect on Sept. 1st, next, called for a reduction of 11-2 cents per 100 lbs. on grain, flour, etc., from Manitoba and territorial points to Fort William. It is understood this reduction has now gone into effect a little ahead of the date fixed upon.

The Manitoba and Northwestern railway has issued a new grain tariff reducing the rate to Fort William a cent and a half per 100 pounds, to correspond with the reduction made by the Canadian Pacific railway on Aug. 1st. A reduction has also been made in commercial rates which will greatly assist Winnipeg wholesalers in extending their business with outside points.

Dry Goods Trade.

Some lines of bleached cottons which have been selling low in the United States have been advanced 1-8c in price.

A tailor from the east had an interview with the police magistrate at Portage la Prairie, Man., for soliciting orders for clothing without paying the license fee.

The secretary of the Shirt and Collar association has sent out a circular showing what is claimed to be the great injustice done the industry in the recent tariff revision, and which, they claim, has forced them to reduce wages 10 per cent. The industry, it is said employs 8,000 hands, 90 per cent of whom are women, who earned under the old scale of wages an average of \$1 per day.

The Commercial recently referred to the difficulty there would be in enforcing the preferential tariff against foreign goods imported through British houses, or British manufactures made from foreign material on which the necessary amount of British labor had not been expended. It is reported from Toronto that there is a movement on foot there to appoint a special inspector of dry goods under the new preferential law to prevent the evasion of the law by British exporters passing foreign goods through their hands as British manufactures.

Harvest excursions will be run from Eastern Canada on August 16, 18 and 23rd. A rate of \$10 for the outward and \$18 for the return journey has been made by the Canadian Pacific railway. The rate from the maritime provinces will be \$14 each way.

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Manitoba

J. Wallace, hotel, Cartwright, offers to sell out.

Edward Wilson has opened up in the butcher business at Altamont.

Morkill & Whitworth, Dominion City are adding furniture to their business.

Winnipeg carpenters have been granted the increase in wages demanded, by them.

Dan. McAnnaman, contractor, of St. Bonifac, is dead from the result of an accident on the Crow's Nest railway construction, where he had a contract.

Several miles of the extension of the Pipestone branch railway have been made. It is not known whether the road will be built through to Moose Mountain this season, but at least twenty-five out of thirty miles will be completed.

By September 1st Mr. Strevell will have completed forty miles of grade in the Southeastern railway. Track laying on the Swan River extension of the Dauphin road will commence at once, about thirty-five miles of grade being ready.

Two interesting publications have been issued by the Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society entitled "Sketch of the life and discoveries of Robert Campbell," by Rev. Dr. Bryce; and "The Game Birds of Manitoba," by George E. Atkinson, also the annual report of the society for the year 1897.

The town of Morden continues to advance. The following buildings are going on: Victoria hall, with a seating capacity of about 500, frame, two storeys. The lower flat will be fitted up as a hardware store, implement warehouse, and general store; a two story brick block by J. A. Hobbs, druggist; a two story stone block by W. J. Steele, for a general store; a two story stone block by McLeod & Black, for a general store; a similar building for municipal offices and fire hall; nurses' home in the hospital grounds; J. Kennedy, Hotel Manitoba, has also commenced work on a large block; Galbraith, Pickel, Cochran and others are erecting residences.

Northwest Ontario.

Gordon & Ironside will erect a cold storage warehouse at Rat Portage.

A new opera house and other building improvements are going on at Rat Portage.

The blueberry crop is a large one this year. Large shipments are being made daily from Rat Portage to Manitoba points.

C. C. Godfrey, drugs, Dryden, has removed to Rat Portage and contemplates opening business at Norman.

The Live Stock Trade.

A. Preston shipped two cars of fat cattle from Estevan to Winnipeg last week.

A. E. Thompson, of Melita, Man., has arrived from Ontario with a shipment of horses.

J. R. Mullins, Virden, arrived in Winnipeg Wednesday with a shipment of cattle for the local markets.

Geo. Day, buyer for Gordon & Ironside, is gathering a lot of fat stock at Battleford, Sask., for shipment.

Harrison, Hamilton and Cook, ranchers of Newdale, Man., shipped a train load of cattle consisting of thirteen car loads east last week. The shipment was sold to Gordon & Ironsides.

Following shipments from Maple Creek are reported: Mr. Campbell, six car loads of cattle to Winnipeg; J. C. Patterson, one car load of cattle to Macleod, and two car loads to Winnipeg; Jack Farr a few car loads of sheep to Winnipeg.

Tenders.

Tenders are called up to August 20, for building a brick church at Brandon.

Tenders are invited for the privilege of providing refreshments for the C. P. R. employees' picnic to Morden.

Tenders are asked for a winter mail service between Port Frances and Mine Centre. Tenders close Sept. 2.

Tenders for sewer pipe are wanted by the Winnipeg works committee, to August 10, also for boulevarding a number of streets.

Insurance Items.

R. S. Horne, has been appointed to act as local agent for the Standard Life at Dominion City.

Thomas L. James, vice-president, and J. W. Vrooman, treasurer of the Mutual Reserve, have resigned.

The North British and Mercantile Insurance Co has been granted a license under the provincial statutes to carry on business in Manitoba.

Financial Notes.

J. R. Golwin, manager of the Bank of Ottawa branch at Mattawa, has been appointed manager of the Rat Portage branch. Mr. Neeve, of Rat Portage, has been appointed manager of the Rideau street branch in Ottawa.

At the last meeting of the Winnipeg city council it was decided that his worship the mayor proceed to London, England, to effect a sale of city lots for the purpose of constructing a waterworks system, pursuant to the by-law recently passed by the city of Winnipeg. An advance cheque of \$700 on account of expenses to be issued in his favor.

Tenders were received for the purchase of Kaslo, B. C., debentures; Bank of British Columbia, for \$5,000 of debentures at 99 cents; Bank of Halifax for \$20,000 at par, with deduction of \$150 for legal fees to examine the validity of the by-laws; Bank of Montreal, for whole amount of \$65,000 debentures, 98 1-2 cents.

A circular has been issued by the Canadian Pacific railway to merchants along its lines giving a list of banks which have arranged to cash the company's wages cheques without charge. The circular says: "Merchants and others can safely accept these cheques from employees on the same terms as the banks, and it is hoped that they doing business along the line will aid the company in facilitating the negotiations of these cheques, without charge."

New Elevators.

From all indications 1898 will be the banner elevator building year in the history of the Northwest. There is not an elevator company in the city that will not add to its storage facilities along every branch line in the province. Prominent among the

new elevators will be those erected by the Northern Elevator company. Already ten are under construction at the following points: Oak River, Verville, Pettypiece, Cypress River, La Salle, Starbuck, Elm Creek, Somerset, Swan Lake, and Union Point. Each of these will have a capacity of 30,000 bushels, and a few others will be erected later on in the season. When those mentioned are completed the Northern Elevator Co. will have 102 elevators in the province and Territories. Besides the five to be built for the Lake of the Woods Co., Mr. E. J. O'Reilly has about completed an elevator for the Richardson Grain Co. of Kingston, at Sydney, to replace the one destroyed last winter. The Manitoba Grain Co. will also erect a number, and it is understood the Dominion Elevator Co. will add to their storage capacity. Bready, Love & Tyrone will spend about \$50,000 in erecting elevators at thirteen or fourteen provincial and Territorial points.

Available Supplies.

New York, Aug. 2.—Special cable and telegraphic dispatches to Bradstreet's covering the principal points of accumulation, indicate the following change in available supplies last Saturday as compared with the preceding Saturday.

Wheat—United States and Canada east of the Rockies, decrease 314,000 bushels. Liverpool Corn Trade News, afloat for and in Europe, decrease 5,714,000.

Corn — United States and Canada east of the Rockies, decrease 1,487,000 bushels.

Cats — United States and Canada east of the Rockies, decrease 3,118,000 bushels.

Following is Bradstreet's compilation of the world's supply on August 1:

	Aug. 1, '95	July 1, '95	Aug. 1, '97
Europe & afloat	41,000,000	38,600,000	38,000,000
U.S. and Canada	4,933,000	21,001,000	20,010,000
Australia	3,500,000	3,800,000	1,200,000
Argentina	960,000	1,400,000	160,000
Totals	49,993,000	51,501,000	65,400,000

The stock held this year is the smallest reported at that date for at least ten years past.

Customs Expansion.

Customs collections at Montreal for July reached \$1,120,000, the biggest month on record, save that of August, 1890, when that figure was slightly surpassed. In July, 1897, the imports were \$530,705. Collections at Toronto were also about double that of July a year ago, or over \$600,000. This is due to heavy imports to take advantage of the preferential tariff which ceased, so far as foreign countries are concerned, on July 30. The collections for Canada for July are estimated at \$2,600,000, compared with \$1,213,000 for July last year.

Coal.

For anthracite coal, wholesale prices in cars at Buffalo or Suspension Bridge, 2,240 pounds, are \$1 for grate; \$1.25 for egg stove and chestnut. These quotations are fifty cents lower than prices on January 1.

For anthracite coal, 2,240 pounds delivered free on board of vessels at Buffalo, prices on May 1 were: \$4.30 for grate; \$4.55 for egg, stove and chestnut. Freight to Fort William 20c per long ton.



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Statistical Wheat Reports.

WHEAT IN CANADA

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

Montreal	80,000
Toronto	16,000
Kingston	17,000
Winnipeg	87,000
Manitoba elevators	310,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	457,000
Total July 23	967,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on July 23, were 12,639,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 22,331,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on July 1 were 2,035,000 bushels, compared with 1,112,000 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 July 30, was 9,173,000 bushels, being a decrease of 209,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 17,814,000 bushels, two years ago 46,754,000 bushels, three years ago 35,517,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago	793,000 bushels
Duluth	1,248,000 "
Minneapolis	3,297,000 "
New York	892,000 "
Buffalo	424,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 3,440,000 bushels, compared with 6,528,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 17,575,000 bushels, compared with 15,677,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on July 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: July 1, 1898, 79,600,000; July 1, 1897, 78,500,000; July 1, 1896, 124,681,000; July 1, 1895, 148,517,000.

CROP MOVEMENT.

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

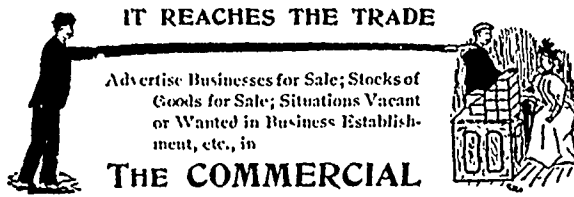
	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis	60,040	106,260
Milwaukee	26,000	32,500
Duluth	298	104,029
Chicago	\$5,385	137,507
Total	171,723	350,296

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

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	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo	2,790,390	1,405,210
St. Louis	1,227,047	1,436,632
Detroit	151,651	149,801
Kansas City	2,310,200	2,164,400
Total	6,779,288	5,156,043

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

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

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

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

- Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, \$2½c; No. 2 hard, 80c.
- Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.15; Bakers, \$1.95.
- Bran—Per ton, \$9.00.
- Shorts—Per ton, \$11.00.
- Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 28@30c.
- Barley—Feed, 23@24c per bushel.
- Butter—Dairy, Shippers buying at 10@11c, and 15½@15¾c paid for creamery at the factory.
- Cheese—6½@6¾c paid to factories.
- Eggs—Buyers paying 12c net.
- Beef—City dressed, fresh, 11½@12c.
- Mutton—5@7c.
- Hogs—Dressed, 5½@6c.
- Cattle—Butchers, grassers 2½@3c.; Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.60 per 100 lbs for best bacon.
- Sheep—2½@3c off cars here.
- Hides—No. 1 green, 6½@7c.
- Wool, 9@9½c.

Seneca Root—Dry, 15@15½c.
Potatoes—New 40@45c per bushel.

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Apples, preserved, 3s, 2 doz.	3 00	3 25
Apples, gallons (per doz.)	3 00	3 25
Blackberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 50
Blueberries, 2s, 2 doz.	1 90	2 00
Beans, 2s, 2 doz.	1 80	1 90
Corn, 2s, 2 doz.	1 90	2 05
Cherries, red, pitted 2s, 2 doz.	3 75	4 00
Peas, Marrowf., 1s, 2 doz.	1 90	2 00
Peas, sifted, 2s, 2 doz.	1 25	1 35
Pears, Bartlett, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 50
Pears, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 50	4 75
Pears, Bartlett, 3s, 2 doz.	5 00	5 50
Pineapple, 2s, 2 doz.	4 50	5 00
Pineapple, imported, 2s, 2 doz.	5 00	6 00
Peaches, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 50
Peaches, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 50	5 00
Peaches, Canadian, 3s, 2 doz.	5 00	5 50
Plums, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 50
Plums, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 50	5 00
Pumpkins, 3s, 2 doz.	2 00	2 25
Raspberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 00	3 25
Strawberries, 2s, 2 doz, new.	3 10	3 25
Tomatoes, 3s, 2 doz.	3 00	3 25
Salmon, talls, 1s, 4 doz.	4 25	4 75
Salmon, Cohoe talls, 1s, 4 doz.	7 50	8 00
Sardines, domestic 1/2s	05	05
Sardines, imported, 1/2s	09	15
Sardines, imported, 3/4s	18	25
Sardines, imp. 1/2s, boneless	20	33
Sardines, Dom., mustard 1/2s	10	12
Per tin.		
Imported Fresh Herring, 1s, 1 doz.	1 40	1 60
Imp. Kipperd Herring, 1s, 1 doz.	1 90	2 00
Imp. Herring, Tom. Sauce 1s	1 90	2 00
Imp. " Anch. Sauce 1s	1 90	2 00
Imp. " Shrimp Sauce 1s	1 90	2 00
Canned Meats		
Per case.		
Corn Beef, 1s, 2 doz.	3 50	3 75
Corn Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3 25	3 50
Lunch Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3 00	3 25
Lunch Tongue, 1s, 2 doz.	6 00	6 50
Lunch Tongue, U.S. 2s, 1 doz.	6 75	7 25
Bravn, 2s, 1 doz.	2 75	3 00
Pigs Feet, 1s 2 doz.	3 50	3 50
Roast Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3 00	3 50
Chicken, Duck or Turkey, 1s	2 doz.	50 5 00
Per doz.		
Potted Ham, 1/2s	75	75
Devilled Ham, 1/2s	75	75
Potted Tongue, 1/2s	75	75
Potted Ham, 3/4s	1 50	1 50
Devilled Ham, 3/4s	1 50	1 50
Potted Tongue, 3/4s	1 50	1 50
Coffee		
Per pound.		
Green Rio	0 1/2	1 0
Cereals		
Per sack.		
Split Peas, sack 9s	2 25	2 50
Pot Barley, sack 9s	2 25	2 40
Pearl Barley, sack 9s	4 00	4 50
Rolled Oats, sack 50	1 55	1 90
Standard Oatmeal, sack 9s	2 30	2 30
Granulated Oatmeal, sack 9s	2 30	2 30
Beans (per bushel)	1 20	1 25
Cornmeal, sack 9s	1 25	1 30
Cornmeal, 1/2sac 49 (per 1/2sac)	0 67	0 67
Per pound		
Rice, B.	4 1/2c	5 c
Rice, Japan	6 1/2c	6 1/2c
Sago	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Tapioca	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Cigarettes		
Per M		
Old Judge	\$8	90
Athlete	5	90
Sweet Caporal	5	90
Sweet Sixteen	5	70
Derby	6	60
Cured Fish		
Codfish, whole cases, 100 lbs.	6	00
Codfish, boneless per lb.	01	06
Codfish, Pure per lb.	07	08
Herrings, in half-barrels	1 00	4 25
Dried Fruits.		
Currants, Prov'l Barrels	07	7 1/2
Currants, Prov'l 1/2 Barrels	07 1/2	7 1/2
Currants, Prov'l Cases	07	7 1/2
Currants, Vostizza Cases	07 1/2	08
Currants, Filatria, bbls	07 1/2	7 1/2
Currants, Filatria, cases	07 1/2	08
Dates, Cases	06	07
Figs, Elene, about 10 lb box.	12 1/2	15
Figs, Cooking, Sax.	03 1/2	06
Prunes, Bosnia, Cases	03	09
Sultana Raisins	0 1/2	1 0

Dried Fruits		Per pound
Raisins, Val., box of 25 lbs	1 70	1 90
Raisins, Val. Layers, per box	1 90	2 00
Loose Muscatels, 2 crown	05 1/2	6
Loose Muscatels, 3 crown	06	0 1/2
Loose Muscatels, 1 crown	07	7 1/2
London Layers, 20 lb Boxes	1 90	2 00
Apples, Dried	10	07
Evap. Apples, finest quality	10	10 1/2
California Evaporated Fruits		
Peaches, peeled	17	15
Peaches, unpeeled	9	10
Pears	13 1/2	14
Apricots	11 1/2	13
Pitted Plums	9	10
Prunes, 100 to 120	5 1/2	6
Prunes, 90 to 100	6 1/2	6 1/2
Prunes, 80 to 90	7	7 1/2
Prunes, 70 to 80	7 1/2	8
Prunes, 60 to 70	5	5 1/2
Prunes, 40 to 50	10	11
Matches		
Per case		
Telephone	33	35
Telephone	3	65
Tiger	3	50
Nuts		
Per pound		
Brazils	11	12 1/2
Taragona Almonds	13	15
Peanuts, roasted	12	13
Peanuts, green	9	10
Grenoble Walnuts	13	15
French Walnuts	11	13
Sicily Filberts	11	15
Shelled Almonds	25	30
Syrup		
Extra Bright, per lb.	3c	3 1/2c
Medium, per lb.	2 1/2c	3c
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins	60	6 75
Molasses, per gal. (New Or.)	35c	45c
" Porto Rico	45c	45c
" Barbadoes	48	50
Sugar		
Extra Standard Granulated	5c	5 1/2c
German Granulated	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Extra Ground	7c	7c
Powdered	6 1/2c	6 1/2c
Bright Yellow Sugar	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Maple Sugar	11c	12c
Salt		
Per pound		
Rock Salt	1 1/2c	1 1/2c
Per barrel		
Common, fine	1 90	2 00
Common, coarse	1 90	2 00
Dairy, 100-3	3 25	3 50
Dairy, 60-5	3 15	3 30
Per sack		
Dairy, white duck sack	00	50
Common, fine jute sack	00	45
Spices		
Per doz.		
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins	75	90
Per pound		
Allspice, whole	18	20
Allspice, pure ground	18	20
Allspice, compound	15	20
Cassia, whole	18	20
Cassia, pure ground	30	25
Cassia, compound	13	18
Cloves, whole	18	25
Cloves, pure ground	25	30
Cloves, compound	18	20
Pepper, black, whole	13	15
Pepper, black, pure ground	15	18
Pepper, black, compound	10	13
Pepper, white, whole	20	23
Pepper, white, pure ground	23	30
Pepper, white, compound	18	20
Pepper, Cayenne	8	30
Ginger, whole, Jamaica	25	30
Ginger, whole, Cochim	20	25
Ginger, pure ground	21	25
Ginger, compound	15	25
Nutmegs, (per pound)	55	60
Mace (per pound)	1 00	1 25
Teas		
Per pound		
China Blacks-		
Choice	35	40
Medium	25	35
Common	15	20
Indian and Ceylon-		
Choice	32	40
Medium	25	32
Common	22	25
Young Hyson-		
Choice	35	45
Medium	28	35
Common	22	30
Japan-		
Finest May Picking	35	40
Choice	30	35
Fine	25	30
Good Medium	20	25
Common	15	20

Tobacco		Per pound
T. & B., 3s, 4s, and 9s Cads	00	70
Lily, 8s, cads	00	63
Crecent, 8s, cads	00	60
T. & B. Black Cheving, 5s or 10s	00	64
T. & B. Mahogany Cheving, 5s or 10s	00	64
T. & B. 1-12 pkg, cut	00	59
T. & B. 1-5 pkg, cut	00	91
T. & B. in pouches, 1-4	00	91
T. & B. in 1-5 tins	00	99
T. & B. in 1-12 tins	00	99
Orinoco, 1-12 pkg	00	55
Orinoco, 1-5 tins	00	91
Orinoco, 1-12 tins	00	86
Tucketts Cherub Cigarette	1-12	00 57
Brier, 7s, cads	00	61
Derby, 3s, cads	00	67
Derby, 7s, cads	00	65
P. & W. Cheving, Cads	00	60
P. & W. Cheving, Butts	00	66
Wooden Ware		
Per doz.		
Pails, 2 hoop clear	1 50	1 60
Pails, wire hoop	2 25	2 30
Pails, Star fibre	4	00
Tubs, No. 1 common	9 50	10 50
Tubs, No. 2 common	6 50	7 00
Tubs, No. 3 common	5 50	6 00
Per nest.		
Tubs, nests (3)	1 55	1 65
Tubs, wire hoop (3)	2 25	2 40
Per doz.		
Tubs, fibre, No. 0	16	50
Tubs, fibre, No. 1	14	50
Tubs, fibre, No. 2	12	50
Tubs, fibre, No. 3	10	50
Per nest		
Tubs, fibre, (3)	3	20
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (2)	50	55
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (3)	75	80

CURED MEATS AND LARD

LARD		Per pound
Lard, pure, 20 lb pails	\$1	80
Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb tins, per case of 60 lbs	6	00
Lard, pure, Tierces, per lb	9	00
Lard, Compound, 20 lb pails	1	50
Lard, Compound, 3 and 5 lb tins, case 60 lbs.	5	00
Smoked Meats		
per lb.		
Hams	11	1 1/2
Breakfast bacon, bellies	11 1/2	12
Breakfast bacon, backs	11	11 1/2
Spiced rolls	9 1/2	10
Shoulders	9	9 1/2
Long Clear	9	9 1/2
Dry Salt Meats		
Long clear bacon	9	9 1/2
Shoulders	8 1/2	9
Short Clear	8 1/2	9 1/2
Barrel Pork		
Per barrel		
Heavy mess	15	50 16 00
Short cut	16	30 17 00
Meat Sundries		
Fresh pork sausage, lb	\$	7 1/2
Bologna sausage, lb	7 1/2	7 1/2
Ham, chicken and tongue, doz	\$1	30
Pickled hocks, per lb	03	03
Pickled tongues	05	05
Pickled pigs feet, kits.	1	40
Sausage casings, lb.	20	25

FRESH FISH. OYSTERS

Whitefish, lb	05	05 1/2
Pickled, lb	01	01
Trout, lb	09	09
Pike, lb	06 1/2	06 1/2
Salmon, lb	12 1/2	12 1/2
B.C. halibut, lb.	12	12
Smelts, lb	09	09
Smoked sardines, doz.	30	30
Salt Whitefish, per 1/2 bbl	6	50
Salt Trout, per 1/2 bbl.	7	50
Oysters, cans select, each.	65	65

DRUGS

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

Alum, lb	3 1/2	4 1/2
Alcohol, gal.	50	5 75
Bleaching Powder, lb.	06	08
Bluestone, lb.	06	07
Bluestone, barrel lots	04 1/2	05
Borax	11	13
Bromide Potash	70	75
Camphor	60	75
Cauphor, ounces	80	90
Carbolic Acid	40	65
Castor Oil	15	17
Chlorate Potash	20	25
Citric Acid	50	55
Copperas	03 1/2	04
Cocaine, oz	50	5 00
Cream Tartar, lb	30	35
Cloves	20	25
Epsom Salts	03 1/2	04
Extract Logwood, bulk	14	15
Extract Logwood, boxes	18	20
German Quinine	35	45
Glycerine, lb.	25	30
Ginger, Jamaica	30	35
Ginger, African	20	25
Howard's Quinine, oz.	50	55
Iodine	50	5 50
Insect Powder	30	35
Morphia, sul.	2	10 25
Opium	4	50 5 00
Oil, olive	1	25 1 40
Oil, U.S. Salad	1	25 1 40
Oil, lemon, super	2	75 3 25
Oil, peppermint	3	00 4 00
Oil, cod liver, gal.	1	50 2 00
Oxalic Acid	14	16
Potass Iodide	3	75 4 00
Paris Green, lb	30	22
Salt Petre	10	12
Sulphur	20	35
Sulphur Flowers	35	40
Sulphur Roll, keg.	3 1/2	05
Soda Bicarb, keg of 112 lbs	3	75 4 25
Sal Soda	00	3 00
Tartaric Acid, lb.	45	55
Strychnine, pure crystals, oz.	35	1 00

LEATHER

LEATHER		Per pound
Harness, oak		33
Harness, union oak No. 1		33
Harness, union oak No. 1 R		32
Harness, hemlock No. 1, anchor brand		33
Harness, hemlock No. 1 R, anchor brand		32
Harness, hemlock country tannage, No. 1		32
Do., No. 1 R		31
Black collar leather		36
Sole, union oak		32
Listowell, sole		27 30
Penetang, sole		27 30
R. F. French calf		25 1 30
R. F. French kip		95 1 15
Canada calf		65
Canada Calif. Horseshoe		60
Horseshoe Brand Kip		80
Karn Kip		80
Wax upper		42 40
Grain upper		42 40
Kangaroo, per foot		25 50
Dolgora, per foot		25 40

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.		
Per ton		
Pennsylvania anthracite—		
Stove, nut or lump		10 00
Pea size		7 30
Western anthracite, stove		9 50
Western anthracite, nut		7 25
Lethbridge bituminous		7 50
Hocking		7 50
Souris Lignite		4 50
Souris, car lots F.O.B. mines		1 50
Blossburg smiting		9 50

Cordwood

Cordwood		Per cord
These are prices for car lots, on track		
Winnipeg		
Tamarac, good	4	25 4 50
Pine, green cut, dry	3	75 4 00
Pine, dead cut	3	75
Spruce	60	3 25
Poplar, green cut dry	2	50 2 75
Poplar, dead cut	2	25 2 50
Oak, green cut dry body	4	50
Oak, dead cut	4	00

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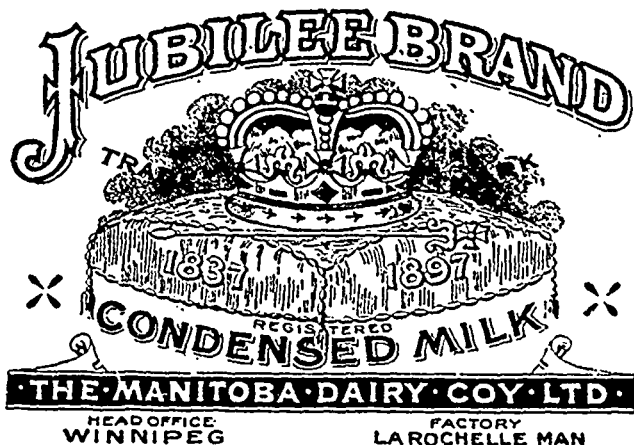
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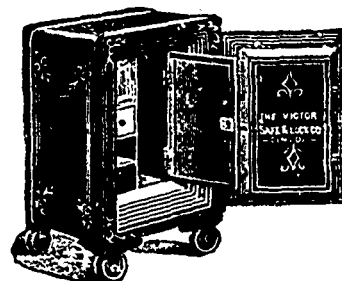
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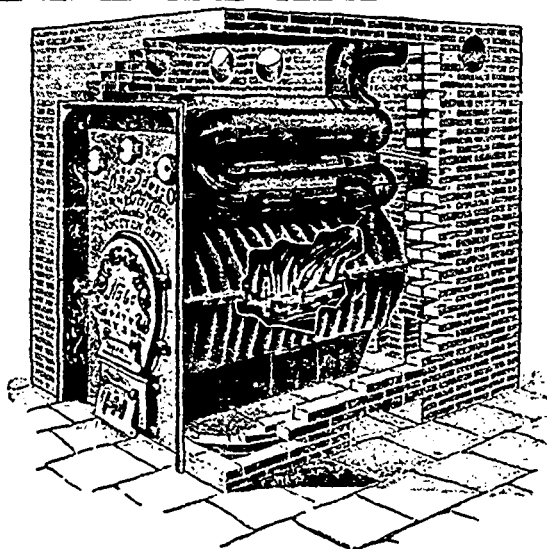
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Winnipeg Hardware and Metal Prices.

Tin—Lamb and Flag, 56 and 28 lb ingots, per lb 19@20c.

Tin Plates—Charcoal plates, I C, 10 x 14, 12 x 12 and 14 x 20, \$1.50@4.75; I X, same size box, \$5.75@6; I C, charcoal, 20 x 28, 112 sheets to box, \$3.50@9; I X, box, 20 x 28, 112 sheets, \$10.50@11.

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

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

Canada Plates—Garth and Blaina, 3.00 @3.15.

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

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

Lead—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2 to 5c.

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

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

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

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

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

Axes—Per box, \$6@9.

Nails—Cut, keg, base price, \$2.25 for 20 to 60d., with new classification of extras; common steel wire nails, 4 1/2 @6 inch, \$2.45 per keg, with usual extras for smaller sizes

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

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

Rope—Sisal, lb., 12c base; manilla, lb., 13 1/2 c base; cotton, 1/4 to 1/2 inch and larger, 16c lb.

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

Building Paper—Anchor brand plain 45c; do tarred 55c; Jubilee plain 57c; do tarred 73c.

Winnipeg Prices of Paints, Oils, Glass, etc.

Following are close jobbing prices, as to quantity:

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

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

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

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

Sundries—Glue, sheets, 15c lb; broken, 12c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 16 @25c. Stove gasoline, case, \$4; benzine, case, \$4. Axle grease, imperial, case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, case, \$3.75; Diamond axle grease, \$2.25 case. Coal tar, barrel, \$7. Portland cement, barrel, \$4@4.25; plaster, barrel \$3.00; plasterers' hair, P. P., 55c bale. Putty, in bladders, barrel lots, 2 1/2 c lb., do., in 100 lb kegs, 2 1/2 c., do., less than barrels, lb, 3c. Alabastine, cases of 20 pkgs., \$6.50@7.50 as to color.

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

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

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

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

Refined Petroleum—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 18 1/2 c; crescent, 20c; oleophene, 20 1/2 c in barrels. Car lots, 1c gallon less. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 24c for cocene and 21c for sunlight.

Winnipeg Lumber Prices.

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

Dimension and Timber—No. 1, 2x4 to 2x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$18.50, 18 ft, \$19.50, 20 ft, \$20.50, 22 ft, \$21.50, 24 ft, \$22.50; 3x6 to 3x12, 4x4 to 4x12, 6x6 to 6x12 and 8x8, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$20.00, 18 ft, \$21.00, 20 ft, \$22.00, 22 ft, \$23.00, 24 ft, \$24.00; 5x10 to 12x12, 12, 14 and 16 ft, \$22.00, 18 ft, \$23.00, 20 ft, \$24.00, 22 ft, \$25.00, 24 ft, \$26.00; 2x4, 10 ft, \$20.50; 2x6 to 2x 12, 10 ft, \$18.00. No. 2 dimen-

sion, \$2.00 less than No. 1. Dimension, 26, 28 and 30 ft, \$26.00. Timber—26, 28 and 30 ft, \$28.00. \$1.00 per M advance on each inch over 12 inch in depth and width. Tamarac dimension same price as pine. Spruce dimension at \$2.00 per M less than pine. Cull plank, all widths at \$12.00 per M. B. C. fir dimension up to 32 feet at \$23.00 per M., 33 to 40 feet, \$30.00, 41 to 60 feet \$36.00. \$1.00 per M extra for each 2 in. over 12 in. in width or depth.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, Aug. 6.

Business has quieted down somewhat which is usual as the harvest season approaches. Attention is being directed toward the fall trade, and jobbers are preparing for a liberal movement after harvest. In the mining regions, both east and west the prospect of early peace between the United States and Spain is regarded with pleasure, as the little unpleasantness has undoubtedly attracted attention from and retarded development in our mineral regions. A good demand for Manitoba farm lands is still reported, though this demand will likely slacken up until after harvest. If the crop is taken off in good shape, there will likely be a decided increase in the demand for farm lands in the fall. The implement trade is about the most active at the moment. Harvesting machinery and binder twine have been going out to consumers very freely. The implement houses report increased sales as compared with last year. It is believed there is enough binder twine here for the harvest, though there is always a liability to a temporary scarcity in localities. Last year was characterized by great activity in elevator building in Manitoba. It was believed that the business was overdone, and that for a few years few elevators would be built. This has proved a mistake. The grain and milling concerns are putting up a large number of elevators throughout the country, some of which will be located at new points called into existence through the new railway work being done this year. Bank clearings at Winnipeg this week—\$1,550,000—were about the same as for the like week of last year, but \$250,000 greater than the week two years ago. Clearings for July were \$6,316,238, for July, 1897 they were \$5,616,603, and for July, 1896, \$4,961,277.

WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, August 6

DRUGS.

Advices from outside markets report that morphia has advanced in price about 15¢ per ounce. Antipyrine has declined about 10¢ per ounce. Oil Cassia is easier. Salicylic acid, salicylate of soda and oil cloves have all advanced.

GROCERIES.

Some lines of canned and dried fruits are easier, which is usual about this season, with new goods in view. Dried apricots, however, are an exception. Prices on old stock in this line have been advanced, owing to the high price of new crop. No new apricots have been brought in to this market, as considerable old stock of good quality is held, and the new fruit is held too dear, it is thought, to give it much sale in this market. Latest advices

from California say that apricots are selling as fast as they are ready for market, and prices have advanced to 10 1-2¢ for boxes, which is an advance of 2 to 2 1-2¢ since the season opened. It is expected they will go to 12 1-2¢ at the coast. They would now cost 1 1-4¢ laid down here in car lots, freight and duty paid. Other California dried fruits are higher, particularly prunes, in sympathy with apricots, as the short crop of the latter, will, it is expected, lead to a heavier demand for prunes. Prunes have advanced 1¢ in California, and it is said the new crop outlook is not so good as it was. Peaches are held 1-4¢ higher at the coast. In domestic canned goods advices from the east continue firm, owing to the damage to the crop by dry, hot weather. Tomatoes are said to have been injured by the frost in Ontario some little time ago; and corn is said to have suffered from drouth. Agents of packers here are quoting 70¢ for tomatoes and 65¢ for corn and peas at the factories. Jam is firmer, particularly raspberry, owing to the poor crop of the latter fruit. Oatmeal has advanced 5¢ to \$1.85 per sack for rolled. It has advanced 7 to 10¢ per sack, cost to lay down here from the States, or equal to \$1.70 to \$1.72 for round lots, freight and duty paid Winnipeg. A good and tapioca are locally 1-4¢ higher. Cured meats have an upward tendency. Japan teas are very firm.

GREEN FRUITS.

The situation regarding bananas has improved, some very good fruit having been received this week. Prices hold firm, the general figure being \$2.50 per bunch. Blueberries were scarcer, the low prices having led shippers to stop sending the fruit here, as they claim there is no money in them at 4 to 5¢ per lb., which prices they have sold at lately, good fruit bringing 5¢. Apricots and cherries out of market. Tomatoes will soon be arriving from Minnesota points, further south stock being about done. The more northerly fruit will be of better quality. New apples are now arriving in barrels. Southern peaches are out. The California crop is said to be tight and a firm market is looked for. California plums are down 25¢ per box. Oranges are getting narrowed down to late Valencia. Pears have made a big drop in price. Prices are: oranges, late Valencia, \$4.50 to \$5 a box; laranas, a bunch, \$2.25 to \$2.50; as to size; California lemons, \$6 per box; pie plant, \$1 per 100 lbs.; tomatoes, \$1.25 per crate of four baskets; California peaches, \$1.50 per box; California plums, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per box, as to quality, and variety; California pears, \$3 to \$3.50 per box; blueberries, in baskets, 5¢ per pound; southern apples, \$5.50 to \$6 per barrel; Concord grapes, \$1 per basket; watermelons, \$4 per dozen; coconuts, \$1 per dozen; Sicily filberts, large, 11¢ to 12¢ per pound; Grenoble walnuts, 14¢; figs, elemps, 14 lb. boxes, \$1.50; 20 lb. boxes, \$2.50; 1 lb. boxes per doz., \$1.75, dates, 6¢ per lb.; Tarragon almonds, \$21-2 to 13¢; pecan nuts, green, 9¢; roasted, 12¢; pecans 14¢ to 15¢; strained honey, 7 1-2 to 10¢ per lb.; maple sugar, 11¢ to 12¢; syrup per dozen half gallon tins, \$6.50; apple cider 35¢ per gallon in barrels and half barrels.

HEADWARE.

Glass holds firm. There has not been an actual advance here on quotations, but cutting under quotations, which has been going on for some time,

has been checked, and it is understood jobbers have agreed to hold at the quoted basis of prices. Binder twine is easier again. Rope has declined 1¢ for both sisal and Manila, to 12¢ and 13 1-2¢ respectively, in sympathy with the generally weaker tendency in this article. See quotations on another page. Business quieter and will be so until after harvest. Jobbers are getting in stocks for the fall trade.

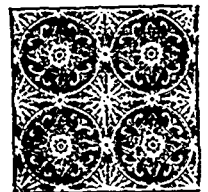
LUMBER.

The lumber trade has been quieter lately. The brisk business in June led to the filling up of depleted stocks at retail yards, and there will not be much buying by consumers in the country until after harvest. Country dealers are looking for a good fall trade, and as cars will be scarce as soon as grain begins to move, it would probably be well for dealers to at least get in a portion of their expected requirements for the fall trade this month, so as to avoid the delays which will be inevitable when the grain trade rush begins.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—A week ago to-day the wheat markets touched the low point of the recent long and steady decline in prices, and since Monday until the close of yesterday's market there has been a gradual and healthy advance. The advance in cash wheat in the United States markets for the week is 3¢ to 5¢ per bushel; for September delivery, 3¢ to 3 1-2¢, and for December delivery, 1 1-2¢ to 2 1-4¢. The cause leading to the advance is undoubtedly the comparatively small receipts of new wheat at the primary markets in the winter wheat states. The farmers are holding back their wheat, and not marketing it freely at present prices. A continuance of this policy will induce still higher prices and an advancing market will probably lead to a revival of demand, which will in turn lead

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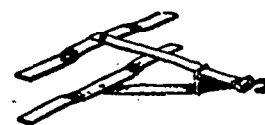
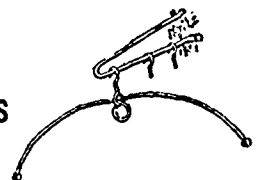


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to further appreciation. While the United States markets have made a steady advance daily during the week Liverpool did not respond thereto until yesterday, when prices there advanced about 11-2c per bushel. Reserves of wheat have continued to decrease, and until these begin to increase, to some noteworthy extent, the markets will easily continue to advance. In both Europe and America harvesting is steadily progressing under generally very favorable conditions, and nowhere is there any marked alteration in the crop situation, although the trend is probably towards a fully more favorable outcome than could be seen a week ago.

Trade in Manitoba wheat continues on a very limited scale, it being confined entirely to the supplying of small orders for No. 1 hard from the millers in Western Ontario. These orders are solely for No. 1 hard and No. 2 hard cannot be worked to them even at a considerable difference in price. On Monday sales were asking 37c in store Fort William for 1 hard, but 36c was the best price paid. Since Monday, sales of car lots have been made daily at 35c, it being impossible to press buyers beyond that figure, until yesterday, when with the strengthening outside markets, a shade more of interest has been shown by Ontario millers, and a few cars of No. 1 hard sold at 35 1-2c to 36c. Although advances in outside markets should naturally be followed by advances in this market, it should be borne in mind that current prices paid for Manitoba No. 1 hard continue far above the parity of outside markets, and that when the new crop is ready to move, if not before, a sharp readjustment of the comparative positions is certain to be experienced.

FLOUR—The market is steady at the decline reported a week ago. Business is quiet. We quote \$2.15 for patent, \$2.25 for strong bakers, \$1.75 for second bakers, and \$1.25 for XXXX per sack of 98 lbs.

MILLFEED—Supplies are scarce and the demand is good. Prices steady. We quote bran at \$11 and shorts \$13 per ton in bulk. Large lots 50c. ton less.

GROUND FEED—Ground feed is quoted at \$28 to \$30 per ton as to quality for oats. Ground corn is held at \$19 per ton. A mixed corn feed is quoted at \$23 to \$24 per ton.

CORN—Car loads on track, Winnipeg are quoted at 42c per bushel of 56 lbs. A good deal of corn has been selling, but as soon as new oats come in, imports of corn will cease.

BARLEY—Nominal. None offered.

OATS—No demand here. City dealers have all the oats they want to put them through until new oats come in, when prices will take a heavy drop, consequently they are not open to buy. Dealers quote about 44 to 45c for cars of oats here, per bushel of 34 pounds, but this price is nominal, and no sales could be made on that for the local trade. It is said that a part car of oats which came in from the States with corn, sold here at 35c per bushel, but the quality was poor. There is really no market price for oats at present. The only demand would come from railway contractors or for a car to ship to the country, and if there were any such demand buyers would probably be asked the price quoted—44 to 45c. The market may drop any time.

OATMEAL—Prices are higher to im-

port, cars would cost about \$1.70 for sacks of rolled kind down here.

BUTTER, creamery—The market is firmer. Competition is keen, as is shown by the fact that contracting is being made for August goods at 17c. 1-2c higher has been paid this week, and we quote 16 1-2 to 17c. In fact, the market is quite strong and local dealers are active buyers at the prices quoted.

BUTTER, dairy—The market is firmer. Good round lots of fresh dairy are now taken at 12c and 12 1-2c in the country, which shows a farther advance of about 1-2c on the week. There is keen competition and the tendency is upward.

CHEESE—The market is somewhat irregular but with a strong upward tendency and active buying. Contracting for August cheese has been done at 8c, and buyers here bid 7 1-2 to 7 3-4c for July goods.

EGGS—Candled stock is selling here at about 11c, and dealers are paying 13c net here, equal to 12 1-2c in the country. The market is firm.

DRESSED MEATS—6 1-2c is the top price asked for good beef now, and it is quoted at 5 1-2c to 6c for fair to choice mutton, 7 1-2 to 8c; lambs' pelts off, 9 to 10c; hogs, 6 1-2 to 7c for country dressed; veal, 6 to 7 1-2c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens are 50 to 60c per pair live; spring chickens 25 to 30c per pair as to quality and size; turkeys 10 to 11c per pound live weight; ducks, 65 to 70c per pair; geese, no demand.

VEGETABLES—New potatoes held at 50 to 60c, as to quality. Picklers are buying now for packing and they pay 11-2c per pound for cauliflower. Cabbage, 25 to 40c per dozen; cauliflower, 40 to 60 per dozen. Green stuff is offered at 10 to 12 1-2c per dozen bunches; celery, 25c per dozen; green peas, in pot, 11-2c; beans, 2c per pound; cucumbers, 40c per dozen.

FRUITS—Currants, gooseberries and such like native small fruits are offering on the market at 60 to 75c per pall. Raspberries are scarce this year.

HIDES—The market is very irregular, owing to a little fight between dealers. Prices have been paid which are far in advance of actual values, and it is accordingly difficult to state what the actual market value is. Green salted hides appear to be worth 7 1-2 to 8c here, but it is alleged that 1-2 to 3-4c above these quotations has been paid for green city hides. The market, however, is not a natural one, and these extreme prices do not represent actual value. Green salted hides are quoted at 7 1-2 to 8c; kip, 7 to 7 1-2c; calf, 7 to 9c; deacon skins 15 to 25c each; sheepskins, 10 to 20c; lambskins, 10 to 20c; horse hides 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

WOOL—There is not much doing in wool, as the bulk of the clip is now in. Dealers complain very much about the quality of the Manitoba clip, the wool being badly mixed with chaff and straw, which detracts greatly from its value. Certainly some very dirty wool has been sent in. From 8c to 9c is quoted for Manitoba fleece. The clip in the Territories has about all been disposed of, at an average price, it is said, of about 10 1-2c to the grower. Eastern Canada manufacturers and dealers were the principal buyers and the wool has been or is being shipped eastward. Prices ranged as low as 7c for some poor quality up to 10 1-4c for choice selected lots. One or two of the ranch-

ers now take great care with their clip and assort the wool very nicely.

TALLOW—No. 1, 3 1-2c; No. 2, 2 1-2 to 3c.

SENECA ROOT—Buyers are paying 15 to 16c as to quality. The Commercial is in receipt of a letter from a United States dealer advising the digging of root, as it is thought the price will improve. Local dealers, however, about all agree that very little root should be dug this year, as they say there are heavy stocks of old to clear out before the market can improve, and if a liberal quantity is marketed this year it will prevent an advance.

HAY—New hay is offering freely at \$5 to \$6 per ton for loose and baled. Demand limited.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—The market is about the same as a week ago, with an easier tendency. Cattle are now improving rapidly. The top price now is about 3 1-2c for local butchers' cattle, and the range from 3 to 3 1-2c, as to quality for butchers. Stocker cattle are easier at 2 1-2c to 2 3-4c as to quality.

SHEEP—The market is easier. About 3 1-2c is the quotation off cars here. Supplies of sheep held here have been about exhausted, and several car lots were arriving about the end of the week.

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

COWS—There is a fair demand for good milkers at \$30 to \$35 each. Poor animals from \$18 upward per head.

HORSES—There has been considerable demand for horses, for the harvest work and good prices have been realized. Some arrived from Ontario this week, but the principal supply has come from the states south.

Crop Reports.

Several farmers south of Morden, Man., have commenced cutting wheat this week. The sample is good and the yield will be large.

In Springfield municipality, Winnipeg district some grain was cut this week, and considerable wheat will be cut next week. The crop is good.

Prof. Saunders, director of the government experimental farms, who is on a trip west, writes: "Crops on the experimental farm at Indian Head, Assa., and all through that district are remarkably promising. Wherever land has been well prepared the yield of grain will be heavy. With favorable weather there will be an abundant harvest."

W. L. Parrish, of the firm of Parrish & Lindsay, grain merchants, Brandon, was in the city on Tuesday last. To The Commercial he said that the crops in the Brandon district would average better than last year. Harvesting would commence in ten days or two weeks from that date.

The weather has been very favorable the past two or three weeks for filling out grain to the best advantage. The moderate temperature with occasional showers, has brought on the crop steadily but not too rapidly, and there should be a plump berry and full head. It can be hardly said that harvest has started yet. A little cutting has been done here and there in various districts, but



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these are fields which are in advance of the general crop. They show, however, that the general harvest time is close at hand.

A correspondent at Carman, Man., says: Crop reports for this district are exceedingly good, many asserting that it is the best crop we have ever had; it is without doubt heavy and there are very few poor or even moderate crops to be seen. If the unexpected does not happen we will harvest one of the largest crops ever known. There has been some barley cut already and one or two farmers expect to start on wheat about the 8th inst., but harvest will not be general until between the 15th and 20th.

A correspondent, writing from Carberry, Man., on Aug. 1, says: Harvest in this district is rapidly approaching. Many of the farmers started cutting oats this morning, and wheat cutting will be pretty general next week. Our prospects for a good crop were never better. It is estimated that our crop will average thirty bushels per acre, and will be one of the best we have had for years.

Monthly Statistical Report.

The returns of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, for Brandon customs house shows the amount of dutiable goods to be \$162,613; amount of duties collected, \$42,095; and the amount of free goods, \$109,305.

The Dominion Government Savings bank transactions for July, 1898, at Winnipeg were: Deposits, \$30,617; withdrawals, \$28,825.60; deposits exceed withdrawals by \$1,821.40.

Inland revenue collections for the Winnipeg division for July were \$41,058, compared with \$12,066 for July, 1897. Last year's July collections were greatly reduced by the taking of goods out of bond earlier in anticipation of tariff changes.

Western Business Items.

T. Millard, butcher, Carroll, Man., advertises his business for sale.

A. J. Frankfurter, stationery and fancy goods, Winnipeg, has given bill of sale to Geo. Frankfurter.

Hon. S. C. Wood, president of the Freehold Loan and Savings Company, Toronto, is on his annual trip of inspection to Manitoba, which includes a lengthy drive through the wheat fields of the province.

The stock of D. McIntosh, general store, Dauphin, Man., has been sold to T. Finkelstein at 70 cents on the dollar.

A. G. Mouro, of Stockton, will open a general store at Morden, Man., in the building lately occupied by Sparling & Messer.

Laird & Beers, tailors, Carberry, Man., have dissolved partnership. The old business will be carried on by the former.

Sealed tenders addressed to the department of Indian affairs, Ottawa, will be received up to noon of Monday, August 15, for the supply of provisions in the provisional district of Athabasca.

British Columbia Items.

Jas. Gill & Co., Revelstoke, have opened a branch general store at Brooklyn.

J. M. Citron, general store, Thompson's Landing, advertises his business for sale.

The contract for another \$80,000 business block has been let at Vancouver. At least ten new blocks are now being erected.

The following items are reported from Vancouver—C. Allkins, hotel, has sold out to Albert Austin. W. D. Haley, hotel, has sold out. Templeton's grocery has been purchased by Foran & Frost.

A new C. P. R. roundhouse will be built at Field. Four thousand feet of tracks will also be laid down at Field, the necessary rails being provided from tracks which will be taken up at Donald. The most of the plant now in use at the Donald workshops will be removed to the new roundhouse to be built at Field. The workshops at Revelstoke will be reequipped with an entirely new plant of the most improved make.

The following items are reported from Victoria—Canary & Popovich, hotel, has been dissolved. C. Popovich continues. A. M. Welrobe, junk store, stock advertised for sale by auction. Gilmore & McCandless, clothing and men's furnishings, have dissolved partnership. Alex. C. McCandless continues. Wm. Stewart, tailor, has given up the dressmaking branch.

A strike is reported at the Norman mill of the Rat Portage Lumber Co., which was expected to spread to the other mills at once. The men, it is said, want an advance of 25 cents per day and a reduction of one hour to ten hours per day.

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By Wire to THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, Aug. 6, 1898.

The butter market is easier, owing to receipts of creamery from Montreal and Toronto, which can be laid down here at 18½c, which is ½c under asking price for Manitoba creamery, freight paid to Vancouver. In consequence, jobbers here have been forced to reduce prices 1c to 1½c. Dairy butter easier. Flour is 10c per barrel lower. Oats \$3 per ton lower. Potatoes declined heavily. Large seizures of California fruits on account of fruit insects, which will stop receipts. Total prohibition of fruit imports threatened temporarily.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 19½c; Large lots about 1c under these quotations. Dairy, 14 to 16c. Round lots, dairy, 11 to 13c.

Eggs—Local, 16 @ 18c; Eastern eggs, 14 @ 16c.

Cheese—Manitoba 11 @ 12c, jobbers price; cost laid down here, 10c.

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

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; black cod 5c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 5c; herring 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked halibut 10c; kippered cod 9c; smoked salmon 10c; kippered herring 8c; fresh halibut, 6c; sockeye salmon, 6c.

Vegetables—New Potatoes, \$13 per ton; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2½c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons \$3.50 @ 4.00 box; oranges, \$2.50 box; bananas, bunch, \$2.75; California cherries, \$1.00 box; apricots, \$1.65 @ \$1.75; plums, \$1.20 per box; peaches, California, \$1.30; grapes, \$1.90 to \$2.00; pears, 1.75 box; apples, 1.75 to \$2.00; tomatoes, \$1.75; greengages, \$1.25; prunes, \$1.25; St. Michael oranges, \$3.00; Mediterranean sweets, \$2.75; watermelons, \$1.25 doz.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.50 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 2½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$5.70; strong bakers \$5.40; Oregon, jobbers price—

Grain—Oats, \$27.00 per ton; wheat 2S @ \$30 per ton; barley, 27 @ \$30 per ton.

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$25.00 per ton; ground barley, \$26 ton; shorts \$22 ton; bran \$20; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$13 to \$14 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7 @ 7½c; mutton 8½c; 7c; pork 9c; veal 9c; Pemimican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$4.00 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens, \$3.60 dozen; fowl, \$6.00 dozen.

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

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

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

Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, Aug. 6.

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$14.00.

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

Sheet Steel—12-gauge, \$2.25 per 100 lbs; 16-gauge, \$2.40; 18 @ 20, \$2.33 @ 2.40; 22 @ 24, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 26, \$2.35 @ 2.45; 28, \$2.45 @ 2.55.

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

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

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

Coil chain—½ in., \$4.65; 5-16 in., \$3.75; ¾ in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; 1 in., \$3.10; 1 ¼ in., \$2.80; 1 ½ in., \$2.75.

Zinc—5½ @ 6c. per lb.

Antimony—10½ @ 11c; solder 11½c @ 12½.

Ingot Copper—12½c @ 13 per lb.

Ingot Tin—17½c.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; do, 60-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.50; all-bright "Garth," \$2.60 per box; do, "alaska," \$3.00.

Tinplates—Cokes, \$3.00 @ 3.10 for 14x 20; do, squares, \$3.15 @ 3.25; \$6.25 for 20 x 28; charcoal plates, \$3.50 @ 3.60 basis for good brands.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., 1 to 2 inch, \$1.87 to 2.00; 3 inch, \$2.15 @ 2.20; 3 ½ inch, \$2.62½; 1 inch, \$3.60; 1 ¼ inch, \$4.75; 1 ½ inch, \$6.20; 2 inch, \$8.30. Galvanized, 1 inch, \$3.50 @ 3.80; 1 ¼ inch, \$4.20 @ 4.60; 1 ½ inch, \$5.85 @ 6.20; 1 ¾ inch, \$8.00 @ 8.25; 1 ½ inch, \$11.00 @ 11.25.

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

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

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.80 @ 1.85. Cut Nails—\$1.75 base price Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

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

Horseshoes—Iron, light and medium pattern, \$3.10 @ 3.25 per keg, Toronto and Hamilton.

Screws—Flat head bright, 87½c and 10; round head bright, 80 and 10; flat head brass, 82½ and 10; round head brass, 75 and 10 per cent.

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

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

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

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

Spades and Shovels—Discounts 40 and 10 @ 45 and 21 per cent.

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

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

Binder Twine—11 @ 13½c,

Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, Aug. 6.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4 9-16c; No. 2 granulated, 4 7-16c; yellows, 3½ @ 4½c.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 36 @ 32c; special bright, 35c @ 42c. Molasses—West Indian, brls, 32c @ 45c; New Orleans, 23c @ 30; for medium and 35c @ 47c for bright.

Teas—Japans, low grade, 16c @ 18c per lb; mediums, 18c @ 24c; fines, 30 @ 35c; Hysons, mediums 16c @ 19c; Congous, low grades, 10c @ 15c; mediums, 22c @ 25c, and fines, 40c @ 55c; Oolongs, 25c @ 65c; Ceylons, 17 @ 45c.

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

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.00 @ 1.05; peas, 80c @ \$1; sifted peas, \$1.05 @ 1.20; corn, 85 @ 95c; beans, 70 @ 90c; pumpkins, 70 @ 75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.75, raspberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.40 @ 1.65; 3's, \$2 @ 2.40. Cohoes Salmon, 95c @ \$1; sock-eyes, \$1.17½ @ 1.30; mackerel, \$1.30 @ 1.40; lobsters, halves, \$1 60; tall lbs, \$2.50; flats, \$3.00.

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

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

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

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica 2c; Cochim 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15 @ 18c; Anchoy, 18 @ 25c; allspice, 16c; nutmegs, 50c @ \$1; cream tartar, pure, 25 @ 28c, 20 @ 23c for compound.

PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$16.50 for Canada mess; short cut, \$17; clear mess, \$15.50.

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

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

Lard—Tierces, 6c; tubs, 8c; pails, 8½ @ 8½c.

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Soliciting Business.

A grain dealer and merchant in southern Manitoba writes The Commercial complaining of the custom which has developed in the trade of sending men out among the farmers to solicit business. Our correspondent modestly asks that his name be withheld. The letter is as follows:

"For the last few years the grain men have allowed their buyers to go into the country and solicit business. Last year this was done at Whitewater. One of the dealers, however, would not do this, neither would he go off his platform to wrangle and dispute about prices, but took what came to him, in some cases paying more than was offered in the country the day before by the canvassers.

Now this foolish custom is a great expense to all concerned as each dealer had to have an extra man for street and country work.

Last April a dealer started in his store taking orders for binder cord. He did not see a man outside of his office. Within a week an outside firm employed a farmer to canvass the whole district. As soon as the dealer knew this he reduced the price of twine to a point that no outside merchant could touch without actual loss, and to-day is delivering cord at such a small profit that it is certainly a loss for the outside men to compete with. The dealer has no canvassing to pay for nor livery or horse hire, no extra work in delivering, no extra expense in collecting, is always on the ground and sees his customers every week, while the outside man had a man and team canvassing, and will require a man for days or weeks to deliver the goods. The same thing again, when he has to send a collector to get his money. The dealer cannot see why it should be necessary to send a man into the country to sell implements and cord any more than sugar, cotton, pork or potatoes."

So far as the implement trade is concerned, the custom of soliciting business among the farmers has become so thoroughly established that it could hardly result in much good to condemn the practice. At the same time, we believe it would be better for the farmers to refuse to place orders in this way. When they want an article they would probably be able to do better by going after it, and inspecting the various articles shown. If they have the money, they will certainly be able to buy to better advantage. They often buy articles which they really do not need, through the custom of soliciting, and to this extent at least the practice is an injury. The Commercial has always condemned the custom of buying from peddlers. In nine cases out of ten the farmer gets an inferior article in this way, at a higher price than he could buy for from a regular dealer.

As for the grain trade, there can be no excuse for the unbusinesslike custom of going into the country to solicit business. The farmer will have to pay for the increased cost of doing business in this way, as indeed he will have to do in the other lines of trade.

Business men cannot pay the extra expense of soliciting without charging something for it.

Porto Rico.

The island of Porto Rico is 3,668 square miles in extent. It is 95 miles long and 35 miles broad, and has a population, according to the latest figures, made in 1887, of 813,937, of which more than 300,000 are negroes. There are 137 miles of railway and about 150 miles of wagon road. All other travelling and transportation must be done by mules and riding horses. There are 470 miles of telegraph lines and telephone systems in the principal cities. In 1895 the total value of the imports was \$16,155,056 and of exports \$14,629,494. In 1887 the United States sent imports to the island to the value of \$2,181,024, and received exports valued at \$1,988,888. In 1896 the exports to Spain were \$5,423,760, and there was received from Spain \$7,328,880. There is a large tobacco crop now growing which promises well.

The principal city is San Juan, situated upon a small island connected with the main land by a bridge. At the other end of it are the high cliffs which support El Morro Castle. The harbor entrance is one of great difficulty except under the most favorable considerations, but a broad and beautiful bay is concealed beyond it. The smaller island is two and a quarter miles long and averages a quarter of a mile in width. The city is a complete walled town, with portcullis, moat, gat s and battlements. Although over 250 years old it is still in good condition.

Inside the walls the city is laid out in regular squares, six parallel streets running in the direction of the length of the island and seven at right angles. The houses are closely and compactly built of brick, usually of two stories, stuccoed on the outside and painted in a variety of colors. The upper floors are occupied by the more respectable people, while the ground floors, almost without exception, are given up to negroes and the poorer class, who crowd upon one another in the most appalling manner. The population within the walls is estimated at 20,000, and most of it lives on the ground floor, where everything reeks with filth and conditions are most unsanitary. The entire population depends upon rain water caught upon the flat roofs of the buildings and conducted to the cistern, which occupies the greater part of the inner courtyard, while vaults occupy whatever remaining space there may be in the patios.

Epidemics are frequent, and the town is alive with vermin, fleas, cockroaches, mosquitoes and dogs. The streets are wider than in the older part of Havana, and will admit of two carriages abreast. They are swept once a day by hand, and are kept clean. The soil under the city furnishes a good natural drainage. The trade wind blows strong and fresh, and through the harbor runs a stream of sea water at a speed of not less than three miles an hour. With these conditions, no contagious diseases if properly taken care of could exist.

There are several small suburbs without the walled city, and the total population was estimated at 30,000 in 1896. There is little manufacturing, and that of small importance. The Standard Oil Company has a small refinery and there is an electric light plant. The climate is warm, and

except for three months agreeable. There are sudden changes and much lung trouble, especially among the natives.

Ponce is the second city of importance. It is situated on the south coast about two miles from the seaboard and has a population of about 15,000. It is the residence of the military commander and the seat of an official chamber of commerce. There is a Catholic church and the only Protestant church in the Spanish West Indies. The inhabitants are principally occupied in mercantile pursuits. Its seaport is Playa, a town of 5,000 inhabitants, where vessels of twenty-five feet draft can be accommodated in the harbor. This is said to be the healthiest spot on the island.

Mayaguez, the third city, is situated in the west part, facing Mona Channel. There are three manufacturing of chocolate for local consumption. Sugar, coffee, oranges, pineapples, and coconuts are exported largely—all except coffee, principally to the United States. Of sugar the muscovado goes to the United States and the centrifugal to Spain. Mayaguez is the second port for coffee, the average annual export being 170,000 hundredweights. About 50,000 bags of flour are imported into this port every year from the United States. The population is nearly 20,000, the majority white. The climate is excellent, the temperature never exceeding 90 degrees F.

Aguadilla, in the northwest portion of the island, has 5,000 inhabitants. In the town are three establishments for preparing coffee for exportation. The climate is hot, but healthy.

Arecibo, with 7,000 inhabitants, is situated on the north coast. The harbor is poor, being nothing more than an open roadstead. Goods are conveyed on the river to and from the town in flat-bottomed boats, with the aid of long poles. At the bar of the river everything is again transferred into lighters and thence to vessels.

Fajardo has a population of 8,779. The town is about one and one-quarter miles from the bay. The only important industry of the district is the manufacture of muscovado sugar. Shooks, hickory hoops, pine boards, and provisions come from the United States in considerable quantities. Sugar and molasses are exported, and occasionally tortoise shell. The climate is temperate and healthy.

Naguabo is a town of 2,000 inhabitants. The capital of the department, Humacao, is nine miles distant, and has 4,000 inhabitants—the district comprising more than 15,000.

Arroyo is a seaport of 1,200 inhabitants. The annual exports to the United States average 7,000 to 10,000 hogsheads of sugar, 2,000 to 5,000 casks of molasses, and 50 to 150 casks and barrels of bay rum.

The Cocksbutt Plow Company, of Brantford, Ont., have had a very busy season this year. The demand for their goods having been so great that it has necessitated an enlargement of their factory, as with the present accommodation they have not been able to turn out the goods fast enough. An addition 145 feet long and five stories high is being built to the factory. Mr. Mott, manager at Winnipeg for the company, says that with this large increase in the capacity of the factory, he hopes to meet the requirements of the western trade more promptly than they have been able to do this season, on account of the great demand for their goods.

New York Wheat.

New York, Aug. 1.—Wheat receipts, 250,350 bushels; exports, 28,955 bushels. Options opened fairly steady, but sold off under favorable crop news and a disappointing visible supply reduction. A sharp afternoon advance in corn, however, alarmed shorts, and prices rallied vigorously, closing partly 1-2c net higher. Sales included No. 2 red September, 68 5-8 to 69 5-16c, closed 69 1-1c; Dec., 68 5-8 to 69 1-8c, closed 69c.

New York, Aug. 2.—Sept. opened 69 1-2c, closed 69 3-4c a. Dec. opened 69 1-8c, closed 69 1-8c b.

New York, Aug. 3.—Wheat at receipts 65,675 bushels; exports 121,219 bushels. Options were under bullish influences all day, and ruled strong, closing at 3-8 to 3-1c net advance. Winter wheat receipts are disappointing, and with higher English cables, strength in all cash markets and fair export inquiry formed the chief buying motive. No. 2 red September opened 70 1-16 to 70 3-4, closed 70 5-8; December opened 69 1-2 to 70, closed 69 5-8.

New York, Aug. 4.—Wheat receipts 61,000 bushels; exports 132,000 bushels. Options opened easy under foreign selling and lower cables. Quickly recovering they ruled generally strong all day supported by a good cash demand light receipts, closing partly 3-8 cents net higher. No. 2 red Sept. 69 13-16 to 71 3-16, closed 71c; Dec. 68 3-1 to 69 7-8.

New York, Aug. 5.—Wheat, Sept. opened 71 7-8c, closed 72 1-1c a. Dec. opened 70 1-2c, closed 70 1-2c.

New York, Aug. 6.—No. 2 red winter wheat closed at 73 1-2c for September, and December option at 71 1-2c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

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

Chicago, Aug. 1.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Aug., 65 1-2c; Sept., 61 3-8c to 64 1-2c; Dec., 64 1-4c.
 Corn—No. 2 Aug., 33 1-2c; Sept., 33 1-2c; Dec., 34c; May, 36 1-8 to 36 1-1c.
 Oats—September, 20 7-8c; May, 23 3-8 to 23 7-8c.
 Pork—September, \$9.47 1-2.
 Lard—September, \$5.45; Oct., \$5.52 1-2.
 Ribs—Sept., \$5.45; Oct., \$5.50.

Chicago, Aug. 2.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—August 66 1-4, Sept. 64 7-8 Dec 64 3-8, May 66 3-4.
 Corn—August 32 1-2, Sept. 32 5-8 Dec. 35 1-8 to 33 1-4, May 33 5-8.
 Oats—Sept. 20 1-2, May 23 3-8
 Pork—Sept. \$9.17 1-2.
 Lard—Sept. \$5.35, Oct. \$5.40.
 Ribs—Sept. \$5.35, Oct. \$5.37 1-2.

Chicago, Aug. 3.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Aug. 65 7-8; Sept. 65 4-8; Dec. 64 7-8; May 67 1-4.
 Corn—Aug. 32 3-8; Sept. 32 1-2; Dec. 33; May 35 1-8.
 Oats—Sept. 20 5-8 to 20 3-4; May 23 1-2 to 23 5-8.
 Lard—Sept. \$5.20.
 Pork—Sept. \$8.87 1-2.
 Ribs—Sept. \$5.15; Oct. \$5.20.

Chicago, Aug. 4.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Aug. 68 1-4; Sept. 66 1-4 to 66 3-8; Dec. 64 7-8; May 67 1-8.
 Corn—Aug. 33; Sept. 33 to 33 1-8; Dec. 33 1-2; May 33 3-4;
 Oats—Sept. 20 7-8 to 21; May 23 3-4 to 23 7-8.
 Pork—Sept. \$8.92 1-2; Oct. \$8.92 1-2.
 Lard—Sept. \$5.30; Oct. \$5.35.
 Ribs—Sept. \$5.20; Oct. \$5.25.

Chicago, Aug. 5.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2, Aug., 69; Sept. 67 1-4 to 67 3-8; Dec. 65 3-4; May 67 5-8.
 Corn—No. 2, Aug., 33 1-4; Sept. 33 3-8; Dec. 33 7-8; May 36 1-2.
 Oats—No. 2, 21 3-4; May 24 1-1.
 Pork—Sept. \$9; Oct. \$9.
 Lard—Sept. \$5.32 1-2; Oct. \$5.37 1-2.
 Short Ribs—Sept. \$5.22 1-2; Oct. \$5.27 1-2.

On Saturday, August 6, September wheat ranged from 67 3-4c to 68 7-8c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—Aug. 71c, Sept. 68 1-8c, Dec. 66 1-4c.
 Corn—Sept. 33 1-8c, Dec. 33 5-8c.
 Oats—Sept. 21 1-8c.
 Pork—Sept. \$9.00, Dec. \$9.00.
 Lard—Sept. \$5.32 1-2; Oct. \$5.37 1-2.
 Ribs—Sept. \$5.22 1-2c, Oct. \$5.25.
 Flax Seed—Cash 73c, Sept. 72c.
 A week ago September option closed at 64c. A year ago September wheat closed at 75 7-8c.

NEW YORK MONEY.

New York, Aug. 5.—Money on call steady, 11-4 to 11-2 per cent; last loan 11-2; prime mercantile paper 3 1-2 to 4 per cent; sterling exchange firm at \$4.85 1-2 to \$4.85 3-4 for demand and at \$4.83 3-4 to \$4.84 for 60 days; posted rates \$4.84 1-2 and \$4.85 and \$4.86 to \$4.86 1-2; commercial bills \$4.82 1-2 to \$4.83; silver certificates 58 1-2 to 59 1-2; bar silver 58 3-4; Mexican dollars 45 1-2; government bonds firm.

CHEESE MARKETS.

Belleville, Ont., Aug. 2.—Twenty factories offered 1,140 boxes white cheddar 7 9-16c offered for 555; 7 1-2c for 450; sales, 120 boxes at 7 9-16c.
 Ingersoll, Ont., Aug. 2.—Offerings today, 1,950 boxes; no sales; 7 1-2c highest bid.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows each day of the week:
 Monday—Sept. 64 3-4c; Dec. 63 1-4c.
 Tuesday—Sept. 65 1-8c; Dec. 63 3-8c.
 Wednesday—Sept. 66c; Dec. 64c.
 Thursday—Sept. 66 1-2c; Dec. 64c.
 Friday—Cash 62c, Sept. 68c, Dec. 65c.
 Saturday—Sept., 69; Dec., 65 1-2c.
 Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 66c and cash No. 1 northern at 64c.
 Last week September wheat closed at 64 3-8c.
 A year ago September option closed at 76c. Two years ago September option closed at 58 1-4c, and three years ago at 66 1-4c, four years ago at 56 3-8c, and five years ago at 61 1-4c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

On Saturday, Aug. 6, No. 1 northern wheat closed at 66 3-4c for September, and 64 1-2c for December. A week ago September wheat closed at 62c.

Liverpool, Aug. 5.—Wheat, Spot firm; No. 1 northern spring 6s 6d; No. 2 red western winter 6s 5d. Corn—Spot firm. American mixed now 3s 3d.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

The market closes about 1c higher to-day (yesterday), 87c having been offered for No. 1 hard in store Fort William.

ASSINIBOIA.

M. B. Ingersoll, fruits, Regina, is dead.
 Dr. A. W. Argue, drugs, Grenfell, is admitting Thos. Argue as partner.
 Sharman & Bates, confectionery, Yorkton, are succeeded by Sharman & Barber.
 T. L. Carson, is opening in furniture at Yorkton.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

P. S. Rossland, B. C.—See The Commercial of July 17 for a full explanation of the Preferential tariff.

From present appearances it is the opinion that the wheat crop of Minnesota and the Dakotas will be 50,000,000 bushels larger than last year.

Neepawa, Man., will vote on two by-laws—one to provide \$12,000 for a town electric light system, and the second for \$6,000 to install a telephone system, the improvement of the cemetery and the purchase of additional fire apparatus.

TRADE REPORTS

New York, Aug. 5.—Dun's review will say to-morrow of Canadian trade: With excellent crop prospects on the whole, Canadian business seems to be still waiting, although fair in volume and without much complaint on the whole. St. John reports trade no more active than it has been, but fair for the time of year. Halifax reports a decrease in the volume of business, although promising crops indicate an average autumn trade. Quebec reports a very fair volume of business. Montreal reports that the fourth was a heavy day for retail dry goods settlements, of which a good proportion was met, and general remittances are satisfactory. Crop reports have seldom been better and the expectations for fall trade are excellent. Money is easy. Toronto notes fair trade in sugar and canned goods and larger demand for hardware, metals and building materials than usual at this season, though wool and hides are dull. Hamilton reports fair, general business.

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MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 2.
Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 600 cattle, 800 sheep and lambs, 100 calves. Shipments to date this season foot up 44,414 cattle, 3,061 sheep and 3,453 horses. To the same date last year they were 56,642 cattle, 22,202 sheep and 4,783 horses. Ocean cattle rates to Liverpool have declined 2s 6d to 5s, and are now quoted at 35s to 37s 6d. To London 25s to 30s is quoted.

The demand for export and butchers' cattle was a little better. Choice cattle sold at 41-4c to 41-2c; good at 33-1 to 4c; fair at 31-4c to 31-2c, and common at 21-2c to 3c. Export sheep dupl at 3c to 31-4c; butchers paid 21-2c to 3c. Lambs \$2.50 to \$3.50 each.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 5.
Offerings at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 400 cattle, 800 sheep and lambs, and 100 hogs. The offerings of cattle yesterday did not include many choice animals. The best offered brought 41-2c. Other sorts unchanged. Sheep the same as Monday. Hogs were lower, selling at 5 to 51-2c off cars here, as to quality.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, August 6.
Latest cable reports quote British flour and wheat markets weaker, and oats firmer. Locally, flour is quiet and is offering 10c per barrel lower on the inside price for Manitoba grades. The butter market is firmer. Dairy grades are firm at unchanged prices and creamery 1-2c higher on the week. Cheese a shade higher for eastern grades. Note—A typographical error last week made the quotation 71-4 to 77-8c for Quebec cheese, instead of 71-4 to 73-8c.

Oats—31 1-2c per bushel for No. 2 white in store and 32 1-2c afloat.
Flour—Manitoba strong bakers \$4.80 to \$4.90; Manitoba patents, \$5.20 to \$5.30.
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Millfeed—Bran, \$12 per ton; shorts, \$14, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.85 per bag.
Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8c to 10c; sheepskins 35 to 40c; lambskins, 35 to 40c; tallow 31-4c.

Eggs—10 1-2 to 11 1-2c for fresh candled stock.

Butter—Choice dairy, 14 to 15c; western dairy, 13 to 14c.

Butter—Creamery, 16 1-2 to 17c for choice to fancy fresh goods.

Cheese—7 3-4 to 7 7-8c for finest Ontario and 7 1-4 to 7 1-2 for eastern goods.

Beans—90c to \$1 per bushel as to quality.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Aug. 6.
Trade in paints and oils has been quieter this week. Prices are steady.

White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 43-4c; linseed oil, raw, 49c; boiled, 52c; turpentine, 43 to 44c; bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50; tin plates, cokes, \$2.75 to \$2.90; I. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.75; Canada plates, \$2.10 to \$2.15; torn plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25; galvanized iron,

4 1-4 to 4 3-4c; lead, \$3.75 to \$4; iron pipe, \$3.90 to \$4; putty in bulk, \$1.65; in bladders, \$1.80; ingot tin, 16 1-2 to 17 1-2. Cement, English brands, \$2.25 to \$2.35. Germany, \$2.80 to \$2.45, and Belgium, \$1.80 to \$2 per barrel, ex-wharf. Rope, sisal 10 1-2 to 11c; Manila, 12 1-2 to 13c for 7-16 size and larger; Paris green, pure, 16 1-4c for barrels, 16 1-2c for kegs.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 6.
Flour—Manitoba patent, \$5.25; bakers, \$1.85; Ontario's straight roller, \$3.40 for car lots at point of shipment.

Wheat—Ontario red winter wheat, new, 68c; old, 70c, for cars at country points; No. 1 hard \$1 Toronto.

Oats—White, 26c for cars at country points.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$12 to \$13 per ton at country points. Bran \$8.50 per ton.

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

Eggs—10 1-2 to 11c for choice candled.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 12 to 13c for choice fresh goods; creamery tubs, 16 to 17c.

Hides—No. 1 green, 9c; cured, 9 1-2c; sheepskins, 30c to 40c; lambskins, 40c; calfskins, 8 to 10c; tallow, 3 1-2 to 4c.

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

Dressed hogs—\$6.50 per 100 lbs.
Beans—50 to 90c per bushel as to quality.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Toronto, Aug. 2.
Receipts of live stock of all kinds at the semi-weekly market to-day were only 28 carloads.

Export cattle—Only the choicest were wanted at 41-4 to 41-2c, a few going a shade more.

Butchers' cattle—Very slow; 41-4c was about the top paid. Sales were made at 31-2 to 33-4c; common sold as low as 3c.

Stockers—Light stockers dull at 3c to 3 1-4c. Feeders slow at 3 1-2c to 3 3-4c.

Sheep and lambs—Dull at 3c to 3 1-4c; lambs, \$2.75 to \$3.25 each.

Hogs—Firm. Choice bacon sold readily at \$5.90 to \$6 per 100 lbs.; light fat, \$5.40 to \$5.50; thick fat, \$5.20 to \$5.25; sows, \$3.25 to \$3.50; stags, \$2 to \$2.25.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, August 6.
Canned goods are irregular. No important changes in price. Business quiet.

Quotations are. Granulated sugar, standard 43-8c at the refineries; Canadian-German granulated 43-16c; yellows 39-16 to 41-16c; molasses 30 to 31c; syrups, 2 to 2 1-2c as to quality; Valencia raisins 43-4 to 5 1-2; Valencia raisins from 43-4 to 5 1-2c; Valencia layers, 61-2c; currants, 51-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 10 to 11c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 51-4c, B, 3 3-4c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.15 to \$1.20, corn, 80 to 90c; peas, 85 to 95c.

CHEESE.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Aug. 5.—Cheese unchanged at 37s 6d for colored. White 6d lower than a week ago at 37s.

CANNED SALMON.

Special to The Commercial.

New Westminster, B. C., Aug. 6.—Salmon began running freely in the Fraser river yesterday. If the run holds out, a fair pack will be made.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS.

London, Aug. 1.—The weak feeling which developed in the market some two weeks ago, still continues and prices to-day for United States and Canadian cattle declined 1-2c, making a decline of 1c in two weeks. Choice states cattle sold at 11c; choice Canadian at 10 1-2c; Argentine at 10c; States sheep at 10c; Canadian and Argentine at 16 1-2c.

Liverpool, Aug. 1.—Supplies of cattle were heavy, which caused break in prices. Choice Canadian cattle quoted at 10c to 10 1-2c.

ADVANCE IN RUBBER.

The Gutta Percha and Rubber company, of Toronto, has issued the following notice: "We very much regret to be obliged to announce a further advance of 10 per cent in the price of all mechanical rubber goods, such advance to take place this date.

As was the case with the first advance, we are the last to advance prices. The mechanical rubber companies all over the world took action several weeks sooner. The same is true in this instance, and we trust will be appreciated by the trade.

The reason for this advance is as heretofore explained, namely, the steady and unprecedented advances in cost of crude rubber. There is no prospect of lower prices, and all the indications point to even further advances in the future."

MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.

Flour has declined sharply about 30c per barrel. Oats and corn a shade lower. Flax seed 21-2c higher. Butter 1-2c higher. Eggs 1-4c lower. Hides 1-4c lower. Prices compared with a week ago.

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$4.20 to \$4.45; second patents, \$4.05 to \$4.35.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$11 to \$11.50; bran in bulk, \$9 to \$9.50; corn feed, \$11.75 to \$14 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 31 1-4c for No. 3. Oats—Oats held at 24 1-2 for No. 3 white.

Barley—Feed quoted at 25c.

Flax seed—90c per bushel.

Eggs—10 1-2 for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 6 to 7c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 7 to 9 1-2c; fair to good, 5 to 6c.

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

Dressed meats—Mutton, 5 to 7c; lambs, 8 to 10c.

Potatoes—New, carlots mixed, 35 to 40c.

Poultry—Chickens, 4 to 9c; spring chickens, 12 to 13c; turkeys, 8c; ducks, 6c; geese, 5c; all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides, 9 1-2c for No. 1; 8 1-2c for No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 7 to 8 1-2c; sheepskins, 25c to 85c each; veal calf, 93-4 to 11 1-4c; tallow, 21-2 to 33-8c; seneca root, 20 to 22c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 10 to 12c; medium, 11 to 13c; coarse, 12 1-2 to 14c.

Hay—\$6.50 to \$7 per ton for timothy; mixed, 54 to \$5.50.