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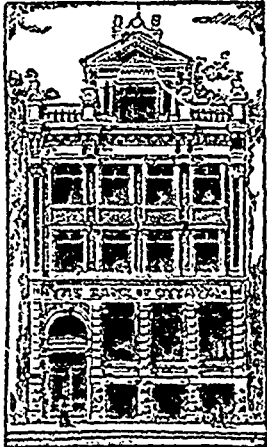
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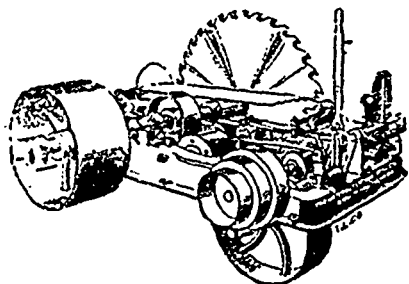
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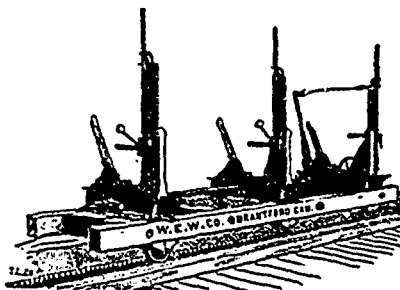
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WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 3, 1898.

## Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, Nov. 28.

Wholesalers complain that trade has been very dull this week. Produce men claim that as far as their business is concerned the winter months are bound to be dull, as it is then that the market is overstocked with goods, while the demand is not relatively increased. There are now fifteen produce commission houses doing business in Vancouver, besides the wholesale grocery firms, and just at present there is not enough business to go around. It is expected, however, that the Christmas trade will improve matters very materially. In the dairy market good creamery is scarce and jobbers are asking 24c for small lots and prophecy still higher prices. Eggs are extremely scarce, fresh laid retailing at 65 cents. Cheese is advancing; fruits and vegetables are unchanged. A great deal of peddling is still going on in food stuffs, and it is still rather early to regulate prices. Wholesalers report the flour and feed business very dull.

Active building operations are still in progress. The weather is moist but mild, and it is likely that building will continue all winter. Money is very easy, Victoria capitalists advancing it readily at 6 per cent on risks that would have been refused by many at 8 per cent two years ago, so that faith in the future of Vancouver is being amply demonstrated.

Australian shippers are feeling the markets with the idea of possibly laying down large consignments of butter in British Columbia this winter. Last winter the Australian butter sold well here, but as the cost of shipping, freezing, etc., is about 9 cents a

pound it is a question whether it can be sold at profitable prices.

Although there were only five banking days last week the clearings at Vancouver were \$777,214, with balances of \$118,958. This beats the record for Vancouver since the clearing house was established here a few weeks ago.

The Trades and Labor council of Vancouver, has passed a long resolution deprecating the action of the Canadian Pacific railway in having locomotives running on the Pacific division repaired at Winnipeg—namely engines 607 and 678, the former having a new fire box put in at Winnipeg, and the latter being sent to Winnipeg to be repaired after an accident.

## British Columbia Salmon Pack.

The Commercial has obtained interviews with several cannery men regarding the cannery industry. They claim that with very few exceptions the canners on the Fraser river came out losers at the end of the season. Although the short pack and scant supplies on hand jumped the price in Europe of talls, from 15 shillings and 6 pence to 21 shillings, the pack was only one-third as large as last year, aggregating about 325,000 cases against over 1,000,000 cases last year. Besides this, although it is just as expensive to handle a small pack as a big one, the fishermen got from 10 to 25 cents this year per fish from the canners, and last year from 6 to 10 cents per fish only. The sockeyes, the most marketable salmon, also continued to run after the season closed.

Although there are 35 canneries on the Fraser, the pack was only double that handled by the few scattered canneries in the northern rivers, the Fraser river pack being approximately 200,000 cases and the northern pack 100,000. Added to this pack was the fall canning amounting to about 50,000 cases of cohoes or white salmon. These cohoes, however, are not marketable in England, as the pink color of the sockeyes are more inviting for table use. The cohoes, however, have a ready sale in Canada, where the people have been educated to the idea that although the coho salmon is cheaper than the sockeye it is equally desirable as an edible fish. Again the taste of the English epicure is evidenced from the fact that wholesalers in Europe will pay 24 shillings for a case of flats or salmon packed in shallow tins, when they will only give 21 shillings for talls or parrower, deep tins for the reason that the fish looks better, when it is taken out of the shallow can. The flats are harder to pack, and so the canners must charge more. A few canneries on Puget Sound pack more than the big string of canneries in British Columbia, for the following reasons: Traps are used and big funnel-shaped nets stretched completely across points in the track of the salmon, thus preventing them from continuing their trip to the spawning grounds on the Fraser, and trapping them at the same time. Then to protect the Canadian fishermen the Dominion government charge half a cent a pound duty on fresh salmon to prevent these trapped salmon being purchased by the Fraser river canners—salmon that are really the legitimate supply of the Canadian canners. The United States fishermen further get the benefit of the Fraser river hatcheries. Without spending a cent to breed salmon for the Fraser they get a share of the

results of Canada's enterprise by capturing the two-year-olds before they can reach their spawning ground.

Puget Sound canners at present are able to sell their fall pack in Montreal after paying the duty, at 5 cents a case cheaper than the Fraser river pack.

The present government recently suggested further restrictions on canners in favor of fishermen and to preserve the food supply of the Fraser as long as possible. These restrictions called forth such vigorous protests however that it is likely they will never become law. At present the canners are at loggerheads with the fishermen. The former claim that twenty licenses should be granted each cannery by the government, and the fishermen claim that ten licenses are quite sufficient for each cannery. The government at Ottawa, no matter what political power is at the helm, has apparently never been able to fairly deal with the salmon canning question in British Columbia because they cannot understand the question at such a distance from the scene of operations and canners here strongly advocate appointing government commissioners here who can intelligently recommend the government from year to year what regulations it is most desirable to enforce for the benefit of all concerned and to check the aggressiveness of the unrestricted United States canners.

## Smuggling.

Some of the Manitoba papers have been discussing the question of smuggling along the boundary in Southern Manitoba. A representative of The Commercial recently interviewed a number of Southern Manitoba merchants, but they did not have much complaint to make. In fact they were generally averse to giving the matter publicity, as they thought that very little injury was being done and probably the Canadians were greater gainers than losers thereby. At some points along the boundary, markets can be reached more closely on the Canadian side, and Dakota people come to the Canadian towns and sell grain and buy goods. In other cases it is more convenient for a few Canadian settlers to go to towns in Dakota. Differences in prices are also an inducement, but taken all around, the towns on this side of the boundary gain more trade than they lose by any little smuggling going on.

## Buy at Home.

Country merchants can afford to sell and do sell most lines of staple goods just as cheap as the big eastern department stores. On some fancy lines on which the profits are large, the department stores no doubt sell cheaper. Taken all around, The Commercial has always contended that consumers can buy to better advantage from the local merchant. Counting cost of express or mail charges, time in writing away for goods, and the dissatisfaction which often results from buying an article before inspecting it, the odds are altogether in favor of the local dealer.

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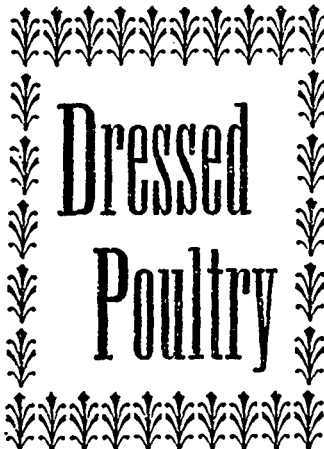
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**The Season's Live Stock Movement.**

This week saw practically the wind-up of the export cattle business at the Winnipeg stockyards for the season 1898. Gordon & Ironside shipped a trainload on Tuesday morning and final shipments of most other dealers went forward later in the week. It is stated that an odd lot or two will yet be moved, but these will not materially effect the figures for the season's business which we present herewith. The total movement of cattle to all markets from Manitoba and the Territories this season has been about 59,000 head, which shows a substantial increase over all previous years excepting 1897 when about 60,000 head were moved. Of this total of 59,000 head, some 16,000 or 18,000 head were stocker cattle, which were shipped to the United States. The remaining 40,000 were fat cattle destined for the mar-

horses this year. Prices have ruled very high for sheep and hogs in the domestic market and all offerings were absorbed for local account. In fact it has been found profitable by some of the Winnipeg packing houses to import several carloads of hogs from Ontario.

The following table shows the export movement of live stock from Manitoba and the Territories since 1894:

	Cattle.	Sheep.	Hogs.	Horses.
1894 .....	30,000	4,000	10,000	200
1895 ... ..	50,000	15,000	15,000	400
1896 ... ..	33,300	9,200	3,300	300
1897 ... ..	60,000	10,000	8,000	400
1898 ... ..	59,000			

The figures given may be modified somewhat by later returns, as full reports have not yet been received. Previous to 1897 all the cattle shipped out were fat animals, but last year the shipment of stocker cattle to the United States began actively and this feature of the trade has

have averaged decidedly better than last year for the producers. Sheep have maintained a comparatively high price throughout the season, averaging about 1c higher than last year off cars at Winnipeg. While there has not been an actual scarcity of sheep, supplies have never been in excess of requirements for the local market, and for a while in the spring supplies were rather short. A few years ago western sheep ranchers were offering everything, while this year, few ewes fit for breeding have been offered, thus indicating that ranchers are holding their breeding stock to increase their flocks.

In hogs prices have ruled high throughout the season, averaging about 1-4 to 1-2c above last year's values. There has been an actual scarcity in this line, the supply not being sufficient for local requirements. In consequence of this large quantities of cured hog products have been imported from the United States or



PART VIEW OF WINNIPEG STOCK YARDS DURING SHIPPING SEASON

kets of Eastern Canada and the British Isles. These latter were about evenly divided between domestic and range animals.

In addition to the exports some 20,000 head of stocker cattle have been moved mostly from the prairies of Manitoba to the ranges of the western Territories. A few trainloads of these, probably not more than 2,000 head being from Eastern Canada. It will be seen from the above figures that the volume of business in cattle is considerable.

It may be mentioned that the trade in cattle with the mining districts of British Columbia has this year shown considerable expansion as was natural in view of the increased population. A steady and increasing demand may hereafter be looked for from those parts. Several shipments of Manitoba cattle were also made to the distant Yukon territory.

There has been practically no business done in exporting sheep, pigs or

been continued during the present season, in about the same proportion.

A regrettable feature of the live stock interests of Western Canada is the decline in the sheep and hog industry. A good many more of these animals are consumed at home than formerly, but aside from this, there has been a decline during the past two years in sheep and hog raising. Lately, however, there is a noticeable tendency to expand the sheep ranching industry in our western range country, where the conditions should be favorable to the business.

The decline of hog raising in Manitoba has been undoubtedly due to causes over which the farmers had no control, namely, a short crop of feed grains for two years in succession. This year good crops of feed grains have been secured, and no doubt the number of hogs will rapidly multiply.

Prices have been good all around this season in the local market. Cattle

brought in from Eastern Canada, which would have been prepared in local packing houses if the hogs had been obtainable in sufficient quantity.

**EXPORTS FROM EASTERN PORTS.**

Total shipments of cattle from Montreal and Quebec during the season of navigation this year are 101,236, being a decrease of 20,139 head as compared with last year. Of the total 6,452 were United States cattle sent through in bond. The decrease in exports is attributed to some extent to the larger number of Canadian cattle shipped out by United States ports, of which 20,000 were shipped by one syndicate. The large shipments of stocker cattle to the United States has also cut off the export trade in fat animals.

The shipments of sheep were 34,991 head, showing a decrease of 26,263 head compared with 1897, and a decrease of 45,680 with 1896. This branch of the live stock trade has

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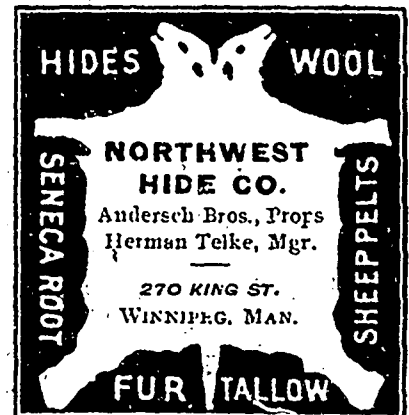
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PRICES REALIZED.

Regarding the course of the British markets during the season the Montreal Gazette says: Cables from London for Canadian cattle opened about 1-2c lower than last season at 11c, and during the month of May sold off to 10 1-4c, at which figure they closed. Trade in June firmed up a trifle and prices opened 1-4c higher at 10 1-2c and later advanced another 1-2c to 11c. This market in July was the best of the season, notwithstanding the heat which prevails during this month abroad. Prices opened at 11 1-2c, which was the top figure of the season, but they closed 1-2c lower at 11c. In August trade gradually became worse and values worked down to 10c, a decline of 1-2c from the top, but at the close they improved 3-4c to 10 3-4c. The market in October was the wildest of the season as far as regards fluctuations in prices, as they opened at 11c and on heavy supplies they broke 2 1-2c to 8 1-2c. This was the lowest figure during the season, and shippers lost heavily. The following week, however, the condition of trade was better and prices advanced 1c to 9 1-2c, at which figure they closed. In November prices opened stronger and 1-2c higher at 10c, and since have advanced another 1c to 11c, and according to our last cable to hand, they are still firm.

The sheep trade this season was without doubt the worst for many years past. This was principally due to the fact that Iceland sheep came forward in such large quantities that the markets became demoralized, as they were sold for whatever they would fetch. Consequently Canadian shippers could not compete with them without meeting with heavy losses. According to our cable from London the first Canadian sheep arrived in July, and sold at 10c; at which figure the market remained steady during the month. In the first half of August prices improved to 10 1-2c; but later on broke 1 1-2c to 9c, and closed 1c to 1 1-2c higher at 10c to 10 1-2c. Supplies of foreign stock in September decreased considerably, and prices advanced to 11 1-2c, but in October they broke away again to 9c, and so far this month have ruled between 10 1-2c to 11 1-2c. Sales in Liverpool during the season were made at 34s each; in London at 36s, and in Glasgow at 35s.

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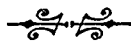
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**Commercial Travellers Meet.**

The annual general meeting of the Northwest Commercial Travellers association was held on Saturday evening in the board of trade chambers of the grain exchange building. There were present Mr. Fred W. Drewry, vice-president; Mr. Wm. Hargreaves, second vice-president; Mr. L. C. McIntyre, treasurer; Mr. J. O'Loughlin, secretary; Messrs. McGowan, Cox, Bryon, Jeffreys and about twenty-five active members.

In the absence of the president, Mr. James Mundle, the chair was taken by Mr. F. W. Drewry, who called the meeting to order and stated that the purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for 1899, appoint auditors and scrutineers and nominate gentlemen for the board of directors. The election of officers was proceeded with and the following were elected by acclamation:

President—Mr. Fred. W. Drewry.

First vice-president—Mr. Hargreaves.

Second vice-president—Mr. F. J. C. Cox.

Treasurer—Mr. L. C. McIntyre.

The officers elect delivered short addresses, thanking the meeting for electing them.

For next year's board of directors, the following gentlemen were nominated: Messrs. A. L. Johnson, Healey, Bryan, K. McKenzie, Burrige, McGowan, Horace Wilson, Robt. Muir, Persse, T. Lock, Jeffreys, F. Agnew, McAllister, Strachan, B. Gordon, Maw, F. Morgan.

The following were elected auditors by acclamation—Messrs. J. Y. Griffin and J. A. Lindsay; and Messrs. E. L. Thomas, Geo. Wilson and J. M. Lamb were elected scrutineers.

On motion of Mr. Thomas Jeffreys, it was decided that the annual celebration should take the form of a conversazione.

On motion of Mrs. Hargreaves, seconded by Mr. McGowan, it was decided that a committee consisting of Messrs. Geo. Wilson, E. M. Scott, E. L. Thomas, J. M. Lamb and A. S. Lock be appointed to look after the arranging of the conversazione. The gentlemen nominated as officers for the ensuing year were also appointed members of this committee.

Immediately after the general meeting was held, of which Mr. Cox was appointed chairman, when the following sub-committees were appointed:

Room and supper committee—Messrs. Cox, Thomas, O'Loughlin and Drewry.

Printing committee—Messrs. Lamb, McIntyre, McGowan and O'Loughlin.

Programme committee—Messrs. Cox, Drewry, Scott, Bryan, Wilson, Lock, Steele, McGowan, Burrige, Healey, Hargreaves, Lamb, McAllister and Thomas.

Ticket committee—All the members of the general committee.

It was decided that the price of the tickets be as follows: Double ticket \$2; ladies ticket \$1.

**Death of S. W. Farrell.**

The sad news was made known on Monday of the death of S. W. Farrell, grain commission merchant, Winnipeg as a result of a street railway accident. On Saturday afternoon Mr Farrell attempted to cross Main

street to take a car. He was evidently watching the car which he wished to board and did not notice another car approaching. He was struck by the second car, receiving a blow on the temple from the effect of which he never recovered consciousness, passing away about midnight on Sunday.

Mr. Farrell was well known in Toronto, where he was engaged in the grain trade before coming to Winnipeg. He has been a resident of this city since early in the 80's. He was a general favorite about the local grain exchange, where his age as well as his pleasant manner won him the respect of the members of the exchange. His tragic taking off is a matter for much regret in grain trade circles and among his friends generally.

At a meeting of the Grain Exchange on Monday the members decided to attend the funeral of the late Mr. Farrell in a body. The following resolution of condolence was also passed:

will probably live to learn the truth of the saying, honesty is the best policy for "The way of the transgressor is hard."

**Dry Goods Trade.**

A Montreal report says: A feature of the last ten days has been the great number of United States travellers here showing staple lines at very close prices, but from all we can learn, nothing has been done to interfere much with home productions.

Regarding the spring dry goods trade the Toronto Globe says: "More attention will now be paid to style of dress goods for the spring. It is already apparent that the coming season will be a plain dress goods season, and that the next few months will demonstrate the fact that plain goods are to supercede fancies to a very large extent. Plain box-cloths, habit cloths and poplins will be much in vogue. Amazons, a new line of dress goods, crepedette, etc., are all



E. C. BUSH

The absconded Southern Manitoba Merchant, who is wanted for theft.

Resolved, That the members of the Winnipeg Grain and Produce Exchange express to the widow and family of the late S. W. Farrell, their deep sympathy on the occasion of his death and also they desire to place on record their great appreciation of the high character, admirable qualities, and kindly, charitable disposition of their late fellow member."

**Gone Wrong.**

We reproduce this week a cut of E. C. Bush, the absconding Southern Manitoba merchant, who appropriated some \$1,200 of funds which he held as paying agent for a Winnipeg grain company. Bush, as will be seen by the cut, was an active intelligent looking young man of good appearance and sociable disposition. A man of his points should have little trouble in making his way in this country in an honorable fashion, but he evidently lacked moral stamina. He

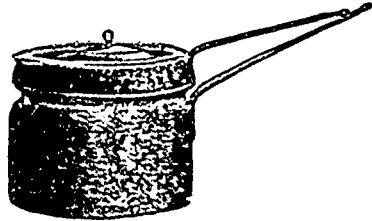
likely to meet with a large demand. Amazon is a plain line of dress goods with a bright satin finish. Serges will doubtless find an active inquiry. While these plain dress lines are likely to be more called for than last season, partly to the exclusion of fancy lines, there will, no doubt, be a good demand for the latter, as a certain class of customers always want something striking and showy. Tweeds, serges and worsteds are all likely to have a good sale. The orders coming in for spring goods are very satisfactory and give promise of a much larger business later in the season."

It has been stated that certain prominent English capitalists have expressed a readiness to invest large sums of money in the sugar industry of the West Indies if the bounties are abolished. Sir Thomas Lipton, the famous tea planter and merchant, is among these and offers to spend one million pounds.

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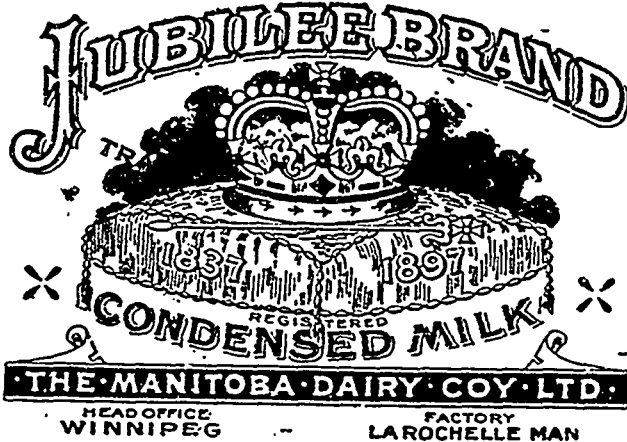
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**The Season's Fur Trade.**

Manitoba is naturally regarded as a market of considerable importance for manufactured fur goods of all kinds and the volume of sales in this line at this time of year usually very large, and especially so in Winnipeg which is the centre of the fashionable trade. There are now several large establishments in the city which devote their attention more or less exclusively to the retail trade and two or three of these carry stocks that would be a credit to any city. Styles in furs do not change so rapidly as in some other lines of wearing apparel, but they change often enough to make the study of them very necessary to success in dealing in them and there is always a wide enough range of styles to enable an up-to-date furrier to suit all tastes and all classes of people. In this respect the Winnipeg establishments are well abreast of the times and a visitor to any of the leading stores will always find a large selection of all kinds of garments made up in the latest patterns. Some of the stylish coats, jackets, capes and muffs this year are very pretty.

In the line of ladies' jackets seal and lamb-skins are still taking the lead for high class trade. Coon and electric seal are also very stylish in the less expensive lines. The jackets are made up 30 to 36 inches in length with storm collars, box fronts and pleated backs. The sleeves are considerably smaller than have been worn. This is according to New York patterns.

Collars and collarottes are being worn a great deal this year and some very pretty styles may be seen. Combinations are the most fashionable, seal and ermine, Alaska sable and Persian lamb, Persian lamb and moufflin and electric seal and chinchilla being the favorites.

Fur-lined wraps are meeting with a good sale and some beautiful garments are being shown. Beaver and broad-cloth in the newest colors, lined

with grey squirrel, Hamper, squirrel lock, etc., and trimmed with Alaska sable, stone marten, lynx, badger, Thibet, etc., are stylish.

In muffs some very fancy patterns are being worn. Like the collars and collarottes these are most popular in combinations and the same kinds of fur are being used.

Gauntlets are still fashionable for ladies' wear where the muff cannot be used and there has been a large

sale of these this year.

In gentlemen's fur garments a greater variety than ever is being shown. Fur-lined cloth coats are the most popular for street wear and where the purchasers means will permit of it beaver and Persian lamb are also very popular. Of the less expensive line coon is most in favor. Gentlemen's caps, collars and fur gauntlets are shown in great variety. In fur coats for working men, drivers, teamsters, farmers, etc., wombat, bear, calf and sheepskins are all meeting with a large sale, the wombat being the most popular.

Compared with other years this has been a highly satisfactory season for fur dealers, both as regards volume of trade and prices realized.

The cuts shown herewith are from views kindly loaned to The Commercial by J. H. Rogers, furrier, Winnipeg.

**Lumber Trade Notes.**

J. B. McLaren has an expert lumber man on the coast to look into the lumber trade with the idea of starting up the McLaren lumber mills at Port Moody, close to Vancouver.

As regards the rebuilding of the Hastings mill at Vancouver no definite decision has yet been made. The company has the matter under consideration but have not decided whether to build at Vancouver or at some more northerly point near their timber limits.

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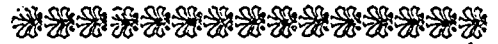
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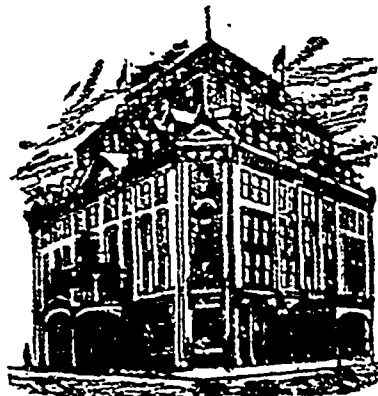
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**Mining Notes.**

On November 23 Cariboo mine shares advanced six points on the Toronto market.

It is reported that arrangements are being made to sell the Giant mine to an English syndicate for \$200,000.

The miners who ran out Chinamen in the Slocan have been arrested. The white residents as a whole did not approve of it.

100,000 shares of the Decca Mining company, which owns a very promising property near Mine Centre, in Northwestern Ontario have been sold and part of the purchase money has been paid down.

After an expenditure of about \$13,000 the new wagon road from Rossland to the Second Relief has been completed. The road will open the Salmon River country, and is more than twelve miles long.

The St. Anthony Exploration company, of California, has secured by purchase the property of the Omineca Consolidated company on Germausou Creek, B. C., adjoining the property of Colonel Wright and his Ottawa associates.

Some of the shareholders of the Golden Cache mine want the attorney-general to investigate the workings of the company. The stock of this company started at 15 cents, rose to \$2.10 and has again dropped to 3 cents. It obtains there are no funds in the treasury and no pay ore.

Through the purchase of the 200,000 shares of Le Roi stock owned by the Turner faction, the British America corporation is now in full possession of the famous Le Roi mine at Rossland. The price paid for the stock was \$8 a share, or a basis of \$4,000,000 for the property.

The Le Roi mine, Rossland, which has been shut down for a few days pending the settlement of a deal among the stockholders which affected the control of the mine is now in operation again, and a force of 250 men are at work, 200 tons of ore per day will be shipped to the smelter at North Port.

The market for mining shares at Toronto has been characterized by great activity of late. Most of the leading Ontario and British Columbia properties are quoted strong and some have advanced in price. Cariboo, McKinney and War Eagle are all up, while Olive Minnehaha, Athabasca, Van Anda, Big Three, Deer Park, Iron Colt, Iron Horse and Monto Cristo showed a tendency to advance, and were in more or less active demand.

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Toronto . . . . .	68,000
Kingston . . . . .	16,000
Winnipeg . . . . .	290,000
Manitoba elevators . . . . .	4,450,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin . . . . .	1,475,000

Total November 19 . . . . 6,389,000

**BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.**

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on Nov. 19, were 42,985,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 48,758,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on Nov. 1 were 5,621,000 bushels, compared with 7,391,000 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 November 26, was 23,372,000 bushels, being an increase of 1,950,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 33,656,000 bushels, two years ago 53,914,000 bushels, three years ago 63,903,000 bushels.

**WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.**

Chicago . . . . .	2,180,000 bushels
Duluth . . . . .	2,551,000 "
Minneapolis . . . . .	2,091,000 "
New York . . . . .	3,018,000 "
Buffalo . . . . .	2,843,000 "

**STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.**

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 5,586,000 bushels, compared with 15,261,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 22,263,000 bushels, compared with 42,058,000 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 Nov. 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: Nov. 1, 1898, 84,485,000; Nov. 1, 1897, 111,660,000; Nov. 1, 1896, 162,399,000; Nov. 1, 1895, 178,449,000.

**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, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis . . . . .	35,714,970	34,050,060
Milwaukee . . . . .	5,652,285	4,354,569
Duluth . . . . .	43,312,515	28,001,783
Chicago . . . . .	18,129,111	18,062,063

Total . . . . 101,808,881 85,498,475

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, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo . . . . .	9,348,797	8,249,734
St. Louis . . . . .	10,051,560	8,306,292
Detroit . . . . .	2,861,627	3,476,502
Kansas City . . . . .	17,329,350	20,730,950

Total . . . . 39,571,664 40,768,478

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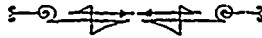
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### Winnipeg Hardware and Metal Prices.

Tin—Lamb and Flagg, 56 and 28 lb ingots, per lb 21@22c.

Tin Plates—Charcoal plates, I C, 10 x 14, 12 x 12 and 14 x 20, \$4.50@4.75; I X, same size box, \$5.75@6; I C, charcoal, 20 x 28, 112 sheets to box, \$8.00@8.50; I X, box, 20x28, 112 sheets, \$9.50@10.

Terne Plates—I C, 20x28, \$8@9.50. Iron and Steel—Bar iron, 100 lbs., base price, \$2.05 band iron, 100 lbs., \$2.05@2.75; Swedish iron, 100 lbs, \$5.25@6; sleigh shoe steel, 2.50@2.75; best cast tool steel, lb., 9@11c; imitation Russian sheet, 7@8c; genuine Russian sheet, lb., 12@13c.

Sheet Iron—10 to 20 gauge, \$3; 22 to 24 and 26 gauge, \$3.25; 28 gauge \$3.50. Canada Plates—Garth and Blaina, 3.00@3.15.

Galvanized Iron—American, 20 gauge, \$3.50; 22 and 24 gauge, \$3.75; 26 gauge, \$4.00; 28 gauge, \$4.25 100 lbs.

Iron pipe—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, \$7.00 lb., broken lots \$7.25.

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 gauge, \$6@7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 6 1/2 c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6 1/2 c. Robin Hood powder, 17 lb keg, \$10; 4 kegs, 4 1/2 lbs, \$3; Canister, 9 oz., 60c. Loaded shells, 12 gauge, soft shot, \$20 per 1,000. No. 10 gauge, \$23.00 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 FFFG, 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, \$9.00, 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, solid, plain, twist, \$2.40 per 100 lbs.; Plain wire and staples, \$2.90.

Axes—Per box, \$6@9.

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

Horse Nails—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List price as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount of above list prices 45 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron shoes, @ \$4.00; steel shoes, \$4.50 up; Snow shoe, \$4.25 per keg.

Rope—Sisal, lb., 11c base; man-

illa, lb., 12 1/2c base; cotton, 1/4 to 1/2 inch and larger, 15c lb.

Building Paper—Anchor brand plain 45c; do tarred 60c; 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, 8c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 2 1/2c; less than barrels, 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 3 1/2c; less than barrels, 4c; Venetian, red, barrels, 3c; less than barrels, 3 1/2c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb., Paris green, 18@20c; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots, 2 1/2c; less than barrel lots, 3c; English purple oxides, in casks, 3 1/2c; less quantities 4c lb.

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

Sundries—Glue, sheets, 15c lb; broken, 12 1/2c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 20@25c. Stove gasoline, case, \$3.50; benzine, case, \$3.50. 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., 90c bale. Putty, in bladders, barrel lots, 2 1/2c lb., do., in 100 lb kegs, 2 1/2c., do., less than barrels, 1b, 3c. Alabastine, cases of 20 pkgs., \$6.50@7.50 as to color.

Window Glass—Single glass, first break, 16 to 25 united inches, \$2.25; 26 to 40, \$2.50 per 50 feet boxes; 41 to 50, \$5.30; 51 to 60, \$5.50; 61 to 70, \$6.30 per 100 feet boxes.

Linseed Oil—Raw, gal., 55c; boiled, gal., 58c in barrels; less than barrels, 5c gallon extra, with additional charges for cans.

Turpentine—Pure spirits in barrels, 63c; less than barrels, gallon, 68c. 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, 17c; crescent, 20 1/2c; oleophene, 21c in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 2 1/2c for cocene and 2 1/2c for sunlight. Straight car lots Silver Star 1c less, other brands 2c less.

### Winnipeg Lumber Prices.

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

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

to 2 x 12, 10 ft, \$18.00. No. 2 dimension, \$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 \$28.00 per M., 33 to 40 feet, \$30.00, 41 to 60 feet \$36.00. \$1.00 per M extra for each 2 in. over 12 in. in width or depth.

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

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

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

Shiplap—Pine, 6 inch, \$18.00, 8 and 10 inch, \$20.00; Spruce, 8 and 10 inch, \$19.00, 3 inch, \$18.00; cull shiplap, 8 and 10 inch, \$17.00; do., 6 inch, \$14.00.

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

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

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

Oak—Red and White—1/4 sawed, \$85.00; 1st and 2nd, 55.00 to \$65.00; common, \$40.00.

Mouldings and Base—Parting strips, 100 feet lineal, 60c; lattice, 1x1 1/2, 100 feet lineal, 85c; window and door stop, 1 1/2 inch lineal, \$1.25, ditto, 2 inch lineal, \$1.50; 1/4 round and 1/2 cove, 75c; 1 1/2 inch mould, \$1.50; 2 inch mould, \$1.75; 2 1/2 inch mould, \$2.00; 3 inch mould, \$2.25; 3 1/2 inch mould, \$2.50; 4 inch mould, \$2.75; 4 1/2 inch mould, \$3.00; 5 inch mould, \$3.25; 6 inch mould, \$4.00; 5 inch window stool, 1 1/2 \$4.50; 6 inch window stool, 1 1/2, \$5.25; 4 inch casings, \$2.25; 5 inch casings, \$2.75; 6 inch casings, \$3.25; 8 inch base, \$4.25; 10 inch base, \$5.00; 12 inch base, \$7.00; hand rail, 2x4, \$5.50; wainscot cap, 2 1/2 inch, \$2.35, 3 inch, \$2.75; paper mould, 60c. Moulding made from 1 1/2 stock add 25 per cent; 1 1/2 add 50 per cent. Hardwood mouldings or mouldings to detail at special prices. All shop work at special net prices.

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W. G. Rickert, who represents the above firm in this country left for the east  
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attention while in the factory.

**Manitoba.**

W. Beech has opened in fruit and confectionery at Fleming.

Chas. Newcombe and R. D. Currie are starting a produce business at Brandon.

Bolo and Duke have sold their blacksmith business at Rapid City to W. Houlding.

W. G. Hetherington, real estate and insurance agent, Souris, contemplates opening a branch at Elgin.

The contract for the widening of the outlet of Lake Manitoba has been awarded to L. Lemoine, of Montreal.

A charter has been issued to the T. T. Thompson Company, Limited, of Morden, with a capital stock of \$20,000, to carry on a hardware business.

F. W. East has opened up a fur establishment at Brandon. Mr. East was formerly foreman for the large furriers, East & Kinsey, of London, England.

Herb Walker, who for the past four years has conducted the Peterboro branch business of the Gould Bicycle company, has been promoted to the management of the Winnipeg branch.

The transactions at the Dominion Government Savings bank, Winnipeg, for the month ending 30th of November were: Deposits, \$22,519; withdrawals, \$19,574.33; deposits exceeding withdrawals by \$3,044.67.

The new wholesale fish and oyster company which has started business in Winnipeg, will be known as the Dominion Fish Company. D. F. Reid, well known in the Manitoba fish trade, will be manager here. The company has opened business at 189 Thistle street. The company will do a fishing and exporting business in Manitoba fish, as well as a general wholesale trade in local and other kinds of fish.

The new town of Minto, on the Northern Pacific extension, is growing. The railway company has about completed a commodious station, freight shed and section house, and regular traffic has begun over the line. Young Bros. have completed an elevator of 40,000 bushel capacity; James Johnson has established a lumber yard and has secured a site for an elevator which he purposes erecting at once, and a number of business men have been spying out the land with a view to starting business at this point.

**Grain and Milling News.**

The Calgary Milling company has just completed a new elevator having a capacity of 65,000 bushels.

A reward of \$300 is offered for the arrest of E. C. Bush, a grain buyer for the Northern Elevator Co., of Winnipeg, who recently absconded with funds of the company.

Both flouring mills are running to their fullest capacity, says a Prince Albert dispatch, and as there are outside buyers on the market this year, fair prices are prevailing.

A Chicago commission man estimates the crop of flax seed at 15,000,000 bushels, or 2,000,000 bushels to 3,000,000 bushels less than early in the season. He figures that the requirements of crushers will be from 14,000,000 to 15,000,000 bushels. As last year's surplus has been taken for export, there will be practically nothing to carry over or available

for export at the end of the crop year.

Chalmers Bros. and Bethune, who were one of the firms forming the Manitoba Grain company, which is now being wound up, will continue in the grain business in Manitoba. R. J. Chalmers, of the firm, will open an office in the grain exchange building, Winnipeg. Chalmers Bros. and Bethune are well known southern Manitoba operators, and they have for years done an important business at the towns of Manitou, Pilot Mound, LaRiviere, etc. The other facts regarding the winding up of the Manitoba Grain Co. were stated last week. The Winnipeg grain firm of Bready, Love & Tryon have taken over the largest number of the Manitoba Grain Co.'s elevators.

**Lumber Trade Deals.**

D. C. Cameron, president of the Rat Portage Lumber company, confirms the report that his company contemplates establishing a big saw mill in Winnipeg. The company has secured an option on a piece of real estate east of Louise bridge, on the Red river. When the Southeastern railway is completed to the Lake of the Woods, which will be accomplished next year, it will provide a short route to bring logs to Winnipeg from the timber country surrounding the lake.

John A. Christie, of the Assiniboine Lumber company, Brandon, has purchased from John D. McArthur, the old McLaren-Shields timber limit in northwestern Manitoba, and will convert the timber in a lumber at his mill in Brandon. Mr. McArthur recently secured the limit from an eastern gentleman who had the control of it.

**Boots and Shoes.**

During the last year or two dealers have noticed an increased demand on the part of well dressed men for buttoned boots. It is within the memory of all dealers when this sort of boot was rarely asked for and was kept in stock by very few dealers. After a few years, however, a demand sprang up for this sort of footwear and well regulated stores handled a good supply. — Shoe and Leather Journal.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: Manufacturers report cheerfully both as regards the sorting and spring trade. Orders for rubber goods have been large, and some difficulty has been experienced in filling them.

**Grocery Trade Notes.**

Cable advices were received in Winnipeg this week of an advance in Rio coffee in Brazil, equal to 1-2c per lb. here.

Cables received from Colombo this week, report a very firm market for teas there, particularly for low grades and mediums, which have advanced 1-4 to 1-2d. High grades are firm at former prices.

**British Columbia Items.**

The Kootenay Cigar Co., Nelson, has sold out.

Frank Gibbs, grocer, is opening at Greenwood.

Frank Vandall, saloon, Revelstoke, has assigned.

J. H. Seaney, general store, Ymir, contemplates selling out.

C. Howson, hotel, Rossland, has admitted J. W. Smith to an interest.

Philip Oben, grocer, Central Park, has added butchering to his business.

Ross Thorburn, dry goods and men's furnishing, is opening at Silverton.

J. J. Bland, boots and shoes, Revelstoke, is advertising a clearance sale.

The James Cooper Manufacturing Co. Ltd., of Montreal, has been licensed at Rossland.

E. Rosseau, boots and shoes and tannery, New Westminster, has sold out stock of shoes.

The Brackman & Kerr Milling Co., Ltd., of Victoria, has established a branch at Nelson.

Frederick Geo. Falls (Falls Bros.), general store, Revelstoke, has assigned to I. T. Brewster.

The steamer Ainsworth, plying on the Kootenay lake between Kaslo, Nelson and other points, has been lost.

Geo. Adams, grocer, New Westminster, will erect a two-story brick block for the accommodation of his business.

John Partridge, a well known dry-goods merchant, Victoria, suicided by drowning himself in Shawangon lake on December 1st, while temporarily insane.

At a meeting of the British Columbia Board of Underwriters, held at Vancouver, last Saturday, it was decided to re-organize the B. C. Underwriters' Association, on the same lines as similar bodies in the other provinces.

A whaling fleet is to make Vancouver its headquarters. A Norway whaler is now on the coast making preliminary arrangement. The Pacific whale is not as valuable as the whale found in the Atlantic, but they are very numerous.

The adjourned meeting of the shareholders of the Golden Cache Mines company, of Lillooet, was held recently at Vancouver, B. C., at which a proposal of the committee was adopted to issue 6 per cent. preference bonds, to the amount of \$15,000. Private shareholders have resolved to appeal to the provincial government to institute a rigid inquiry into all matters connected with the mine and sensational disclosures are expected.

The seonner Gaheola has arrived in Port with a 500 gallons of dog fish oil already contracted for. The dog fish run only from July to October, but in these months can be caught in enormous quantities in certain fishing grounds on the coast. The fish has an ugly head, somewhat resembling a dog's—thus the name. These fish are not edible and are handled only for the enormous quantity of oil that can be squeezed out of their little carcasses, and which is in great demand at lumber camps for greasing the skids.

The last vessel for sea, the steamship Guildhall, bound for Antwerp, left Montreal on Nov. 28.

It is stated that a combination of the lined oil interests of the United States is in course of formation. The new concern will be capitalized at \$30,000,000.

E. F. Hutchings, the well-known Winnipeg harness manufacturer and dealer, is filling an order for ox harness for Hon. Cecil Rhodes, to be sent to Bulawayo, Rhodesia, South Africa. This an indication of the extent to which the goods of this concern are becoming known outside of their own country.

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**Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.**

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, 89 to 90c. No business doing.

Flour—Local price per sack unchanged at: Patent, \$2.55; bakers, \$2.35.

Bran—Advanced to \$10 per ton.

Shorts—Advanced \$2 to \$12 per ton.

Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 36 to 37c for new.

Barley—32 to 35c for feed; malting, 35 to 40c.

Flax seed—Prices to farmers, country points, 60c per bushel.

Butter—Dairy, shippers buying at 14 to 16c; creamery, jobbers' price, 21 to 22c.

Cheese—Jobbers selling at 11c.

Eggs—Jobbers offering hmed and held fresh at 18c.

Beef—City dressed, fresh, 4 to 5c.

Mutton—5 to 6c.

Hogs—Dressed, 41-2 to 53-4c.

Veal—5 to 6c.

Lambs—6 to 7c.

Cattle—Butchers, 2 to 23-4c.

Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.50 per 100 lbs. for best bacon.

Sheep—Nominal at 21-4 to 21-2c off cars here; lambs, 23-4 to 3c.

Seneca robt—18 to 20c lb.

Hides—Green city hides, 7c for No. 1.

Hay—Baled, on track, \$6.

Potatoes—35 to 40c per bushel.

Poultry—In good demand and prices easier: Chickens, 7 to 8c per lb.; turkeys, 10 to 12c; geese, 8 to 9c; ducks, 8 to 9c.

**Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.**

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

Badger.....	.....\$ .25	\$ .50
Bear black .....	5.00	25.00
Bear brown .....	4.50	20.00
Bear, black yearlings.	5.00	7.00
Bear, brown year-		
lings .....	3.00	4.50
Bear, grizzly.....	4.50	20.00
Beaver large.....	5.00	6.75
Beaver, medium .....	3.00	4.75
Beaver, small .....	1.50	2.50
Beaver, cubs.....	.50	1.00
Beaver, castors, lb.....	2.50	5.50
Fisher, dark .....	6.00	8.00
Fisher, pale .....	3.00	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large	5.00	10.00
Fox, cross pale .....	2.50	5.00
Fox, kitt .....	.25	.75
Fox, red .....	1.00	1.60
Fox, silver dark .....	50.00	75.00
Fox, pale .....	25.00	60.00
Lynx, large .....	1.50	2.25
Lynx, medium .....	1.00	1.50
Lynx, small .....	.50	.75
Marten, dark .....	3.00	5.50
Marten, pale or brown	2.50	4.25
Marten, light pale.....	1.00	3.00
Mink, dark .....	.50	2.00
Mink, pale .....	.75	1.50
Musquash, winter .....	.04	.12
Otter, dark .....	6.00	10.00
Otter, pale .....	5.00	8.00
Skunk .....	.25	.75
Wolf, timber .....	2.00	3.00
Wolf, prairie .....	.40	.75
Wolverine, dark .....	3.00	3.50
Wolverine, pale .....	1.25	2.00

**China and Japan.**

Mr. D. E. Brown, general agent for the C. P. R. in China, Japan, and India, arrived in the city Tuesday morning from the west, accompanied by Mrs. Brown. They intend staying

here for several days, and while in the city will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kerr.

A Free Press representative had the pleasure of a few minutes chat with Mr. Brown in the afternoon, in the course of which he discoursed most entertainingly of the remarkable expansion of trade in the far east during the last few years.

"Speaking roughly," said he, "I estimate that in the last five years trade between these eastern countries and the United States and Canada has more than quadrupled in volume. With China the foreign exports are principally silk, tea, matting, rice and curios. In return for this they import raw cotton, flour and other products from this country and the United States. With the advent of a more progressive policy, the foreign trade of China will increase enormously, and within a very few years.

"The Chinese are good business men and will scrupulously live up to any agreement they may enter into. If they are honorably dealt with there is never any danger of attempting to be dishonest or to repudiate their commercial obligations.

"In Japan the expansion of foreign trade has been remarkable and possibly unprecedented. Manufactories of every description are everywhere springing up and their importations of machinery have been very large indeed. Whenever possible the Japanese by manufacturing industries do away with the necessity of foreign importations, but in making these efforts they are forced for the present to buy most of the machinery they require from abroad. The raw cotton importations are growing to a tremendous volume, and the cotton imported is absorbed by their mills and exported again as finished products."

"Has the change of the monetary standard from silver to gold exerted an appreciable effect on Japanese foreign trade?" the reporter queried.

"Not at all; because their gold standard rests practically on a silver basis. That is, the ratio of value between gold and silver has been placed at 32 to 1, instead of 16 to 1, as advocated by American bimetalists. So that, though Japanese money is gold money, it has practically the value of silver money. Thus their 10-yen piece is worth only \$5 in our money, although it is a gold coin. Exchange stands at 50, just as it was before the change was made. The remarkable industrial advance has exerted an inevitable influence in the direction of raising prices, and many commodities have more than doubled in price in the last few years."

"How has the action of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, in inaugurating a service to Seattle, affected the C. P. R. trade?"

"It certainly has not affected it injuriously. The volume of trade has been so large that we have been obliged to put on two extra cargo boats to handle it. The Japanese company started the service with the expectation of receiving a subsidy from their government, but in this they were disappointed. Another company, which started a service between Yokohama and San Francisco, were similarly disappointed."

In reply to a question as to what effect the Sino-Japanese war had exerted on the defeated nation, he replied that it was infinitesimal, and that thousands of people in the territories through which the Japanese army marched, imagined the war to

be merely one of their own periodical local insurrections. Millions of Chinamen had probably never heard of the war at all.

As to the recent scare over the Pavloff-Li Hung Chang muddle, Mr. Brown said that British subjects living in China were not in the least alarmed over any reports of Russian commercial supremacy. British interests, they felt assured, were being thoroughly safeguarded, and, personally, he thought that so far from there being any danger of British influence becoming overshadowed, it was increasing all the time, and British commercial interests would, he felt sure, increase ten-fold within a very few years.

Mr. Brown left Hong Kong in April last and proceeded to Great Britain via the Suez canal. He spent three months enjoying the sights in Europe and then crossed the Atlantic to Montreal. Since then he has been as far west as Vancouver. He is no stranger in Winnipeg, having been traffic superintendent here from 1883 to 1886, when he went to Vancouver as assistant general traffic manager to Mr Robert Kerr. In 1892 he was appointed general agent for Japan, China and India, and has since made Hong Kong his headquarters. He will probably be in Winnipeg until Saturday morning.

**Land Sales.**

C. P. R. land sales for the month of November amount to 27,000 acres for which \$83,000 was realized. This is a substantial increase over the showing made in October, when 17,000 acres were sold for \$56,000.

The Northwest Land company disposed of 6,920 acres during November, for which \$37,600 was paid. In October only 4,280 acres were sold for a total of \$22,500. Since the beginning of the year this company has realized \$364,316 for 68,115 acres sold, which is just about double the business done from January to November in 1897, when 33,700 acres had been sold for \$184,000.

**Another Railroad.**

Another railroad has been added to the list of Manitoba roads now in operation. The first section of the Manitoba and Southwestern, from Winnipeg to Ste. Anne, has been put in operation. Trains leave the Canadian Pacific railroad station, Winnipeg, for this line, pending the establishing of permanent terminal facilities in the city. There are some excellent agricultural districts between Winnipeg and the timber region, east of the Lake of the Woods, into which the road penetrates, the development of which will be materially hastened by the construction of this railway.

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**FINANCIAL**

**Winnipeg Clearing House.**

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

Week ended Dec. 1, 1898	\$3,261,254
Corresponding week, 1897	2,275,360
1896	2,105,968

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

	1898	1897	1896
January	6,347,168	5,000,819	4,977,200
February	5,517,000	3,851,000	4,052,000
March	5,563,000	4,259,000	4,286,000
April	6,210,000	4,164,000	4,032,000
May	3,631,364	5,014,786	4,226,201
June	7,397,000	5,531,000	4,094,000
July	7,316,238	5,616,603	4,061,277
August	6,180,335	6,298,574	4,616,059
September	6,414,551	5,015,201	4,630,706
October	9,347,672	12,291,579	7,835,472
November	11,553,669	13,550,761	8,825,175

**Financial Notes.**

The Bank of British North America has closed its branch at Slocan.

Some of the members of the local board of the Canadian Mutual Loan and Investment company at Prince Albert Sask., have decided to bring a test case against the company and will ask for an order to discharge a mortgage held by the company against the petitioners. It appears that these men became stockholders and borrowed money on their shares with the understanding that after paying certain stipulated sums monthly for a period of seven years, the company would cancel the mortgages. This the company has now refused to do. The case will be before the courts. The case will be before the courts.

**Weather and Crops.**

Rolland, Nov. 26.—Threshing is over and all the outfits have pulled in the for the season. It is estimated that there was only five per cent. or less wheat lost around here from being wet. There remains a good deal to be sold yet.

Mr. Matheson, of Bready, Love & Tryon, states that the results of threshing have shown that the fears of the harvest time prophets were altogether groundless as to the amount of injury done by the rains. The amount of grain destroyed will be very small, under 3 per cent, and the amount damaged is also much lower than was ever considered possible after the amount of rain that fell.

**Tenders.**

Tenders are being called for by Reeve McNabb, Neepawa, for the supply of 200 tamarac piles, 16 feet long, 7 inches or more in dimension, to be delivered by March 1st, 1899.

The Manitoba provincial public works department will shortly call for tenders for all the different supplies needed in the parliament buildings, government house, land titles office, and court house, and jail in this city, the asylums at Brandon and Selkirk and Home for Incurables, Portage la Prairie.

A train load of cattle arrived in Winnipeg from the west this week en route for the old country.

**Literary Notes.**

The Great West Magazine for November is a number of unusual interest owing to the prominence which is given to two articles relating to the Yukon country, which are accompanied by a series of original photo engravings of scenes in and around Dawson City. The first of these articles is entitled "Life in Dawson City," and the other is a short sketch of the establishment of the Bank of Commerce branch there. Photo-engravings of the first and present bank premises accompany the latter. There are a number of other articles and stories in this number and it is well printed and illustrated throughout.

**The Commercial Men.**

Jos. Tasse, of Montreal, arrived in Winnipeg this week.

Thos. Clearhue, of Brockville, is registered at the Leland.

Geo. M. Alkman, traveller for E. L. Drewry, is confined to his house with typhoid fever.

W. G. Rickert, representing James Coristine & Co., manufacturers of fine furs, Montreal, was in Winnipeg this week in the interests of his house.

A. W. Lasher, western representative of W. G. Johnston & Co., of Toronto, is on his way east. The trip which he has just concluded is the thirty-eighth which this gentleman has taken to Western Canada.

**Northwest Ontario.**

The contractor for the first twenty miles of the Ontario and Rainy River railroad, west of Port Arthur, has completed the work up to the heavy rock work which part is now under construction.

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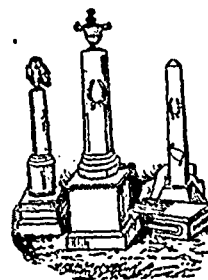
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Item	Per case	Per case
<b>Canned Goods</b>		
Apples, 3s, 2 doz.	3 15	3 25
Apples, preserved, 3s, 2 doz.	3 00	3 25
Apples, gallons (per doz.)	3 00	3 25
Black or Lawton berries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 50
Blueberries, 2s, 2 doz.	1 90	2 00
Beans, 2s, 2 doz.	1 85	2 00
Corn, 2s, 2 doz.	2 25	2 25
Cherries, red, pitted 2s, 2 doz.	3 75	4 00
Peas, Marrowfat, 2s, 2 doz.	1 90	2 00
Peas, sifted, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 25
Pears, Bartlett, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 50
Pears, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	5 00	5 00
Pears, Bartlett, 3s, 2 doz.	5 00	5 00
Pineapple, 2s, 2 doz.	4 50	5 00
Pineapple, imported, 2s, 2 doz.	5 00	5 00
Peaches, 2s, 2 doz.	3 50	3 75
Peaches, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	5 00	5 00
Peaches, Canadian, 3s, 2 doz.	5 00	6 00
Plums, 2s, 2 doz.	3 00	3 25
Plums, California, 2 1/2s, 2 doz.	4 50	4 50
Pumpkins, 3s, 2 doz.	2 00	2 25
Raspberries, 2s, 2 doz.	3 25	3 25
Strawberries, 2s, 2 doz. new.	3 10	3 25
Tomatoes, 3s, 2 doz.	2 20	2 50
Salmon, talls, 1s, 4 doz.	5 50	6 00
Salmon, Colchoe talls, 1s, 4 doz.	7 50	8 00
<b>Sardines, domestic</b>	<b>Per tin.</b>	
Sardines, domestic 1/2s.	05	08
Sardines, imported, 1/2s.	05 1/2	15
Sardines, imported, 3/4s.	15	25
Sardines, imp. 1/2s, boneless.	20	33
Sardines, Dom., mustard 1/2s.	10	12
<b>Imported Fresh Herring, 1s, 1 doz.</b>	<b>Per doz.</b>	
Imp. Kippered Herring, 1s, 1 doz.	1 60	1 60
Imp. Herring, Tom. Sauce 1s, 1 doz.	2 00	2 00
Imp. " Anch. Sauce 1s, 1 doz.	2 00	2 00
Imp. " Shrimp Sauce 1s, 1 doz.	2 00	2 00
<b>Canned Meats</b>	<b>Per case.</b>	
Corn Beef, 1s, 2 doz.	3 00	3 00
Corn Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	2 70	3 00
Lunch Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3 00	3 00
Lunch Tongue, 1s, 2 doz.	6 00	6 50
Lunch Tongue, U.S. 2s, 1 doz.	6 75	7 00
Brawn, 2s, 1 doz.	2 60	3 00
Pigs Feet, 1s 2 doz.	2 50	3 75
Roast Beef, 2s, 1 doz.	3 00	3 50
Chicken, Duck or Turkey, 1s 2 doz.	7 50	5 00
<b>Potted Ham, 1/2s.</b>	<b>Per doz.</b>	
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
<b>Coffee</b>	<b>Per pound.</b>	
Green Rio.	9 1/2	10
Inferior grades.	8 1/2	9
<b>Cereals</b>	<b>Per sack.</b>	
Split Peas, sack 9s.	2 40	2 50
Pot Barley, sack 9s.	2 35	2 40
Pearl Barley, sack 9s.	4 25	4 50
Rolled Oats, sack 9s.	1 55	1 55
Standard Oatmeal, sack 9s.	2 90	2 90
Granulated Oatmeal, sack 9s.	2 35	2 35
Beans (per bushel).	1 40	1 45
Cornmeal, sack 9s.	1 25	1 25
Cornmeal, 1/2sac 49 (per 1/2sac)	0 65	0 65
<b>Rice, B.</b>	<b>Per pound.</b>	
Patna	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Rice, Japan	5 1/2c	6c
Sago	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
Tapioca	4 1/2c	4 1/2c
<b>Cigarettes</b>	<b>Per M.</b>	
Old Judge	8 90	8 90
Athlete	8 90	8 90
Sweet Caporal	8 90	8 90
Sweet Sixteen	5 70	5 70
Derby	6 60	6 60
<b>Cured Fish</b>		
Boneless Hake, per lb.	05	05 1/2
Codfish, whole cases, 100 lbs.	6 00	6 00
Codfish, Pure per lb.	06 1/2	07
Herrings, in half-barrels.	3 50	3 75
<b>Dried Fruits</b>		
Currants, new, Prov'l Bbls.	05 1/2	6
Currants, Prov'l Cases.	5 1/2	6 1/2
Currants, Prov'l 1/2 Barrels.	05 1/2	6 1/2
Currants, Filistria, bbls.	05 1/2	6 1/2
Currants, Filistria, cases.	06	6 1/2
Currants, cleaned, cases.	7	7 1/2
Dates, Cases.	06	07
Figs, Eleme, about 10 lb box.	20	22
Figs, Glove Box, per doz.	3 60	3 75
Figs, Cooking, Sax.	09 1/2	10
Fig, boxes.	12 1/2	13
Prunes, Bosnia, Cases.	08	09
Sultana Raisins.	11 1/2	12

Dried Fruits		Per pound
Raisins, Vul., new, per box	55	1 65
Raisins, Val. Layers, per box	1 00	1 00
Loose Muscatels, 3 crown	5 1/2	06
Loose Muscatels, 2 crown	07 1/2	06
Loose Muscatels, 4 crown	08	8 1/2
London Layers, 20 lb Boxes	1 90	2 00
Apples, Dried.	07	7 1/2
Evap Apples, finest quality	09 1/2	10
<b>California Evaporated Fruits</b>		
Peaches, peeled	17	18
Peaches, unpeeled	13	14
Pears	15 1/2	11
Apricots	15 1/2	16
Pitted Plums	10 1/2	11
Prunes, 100 to 120	5 1/2	6
Prunes, 90 to 100	10 1/2	11
Prunes, 80 to 90	7	7 1/2
Prunes, 70 to 80	7 1/2	8
Prunes, 60 to 70	8	8 1/2
Prunes, 40 to 50	10	11
<b>Matches</b>	<b>Per case</b>	
Telegraph	\$3	\$5
Telephone	3	65
Tiger	3	50
<b>Nuts</b>	<b>Per pound</b>	
Brazils	11	12 1/2
Taragona Almonds	13	15
Peanuts, roasted	12	13
Peanuts, green	9	10
Grenoble Walnuts	13	15
French Walnuts	12	13
Sicily Filberts	11	12
Shelled Almonds	30	35
<b>Syrup</b>		
Extra Bright, per lb.	36	3 1/2c
Medium, per lb.	2 1/2c	3c
Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins	50	6 75
Molasses, per gal. (New Or.)	35c	40c
Porto Rico	40	40
Barbadoes	48	50
<b>Sugar</b>		
Extra Standard Gran.	5 1/2	5 1/2c
German Granulated		5c
Extra Ground		7c
Powdered		6 1/2c
Bright Yellow Sugar		4 1/2c
Maple Sugar		11c
<b>Salt</b>	<b>Per pound</b>	
Rock Salt	1 1/2c	1 1/2c
<b>Common, fine.</b>	<b>Per barrel</b>	
Common, coarse	1 90	2 00
Dairy, 100 3	3 25	3 50
Dairy, 60-5	3 15	3 30
<b>Dairy, white duck sack</b>	<b>Per Sack</b>	
Common, fine jute sack	00	50
00	45	
<b>Spices</b>	<b>Per doz.</b>	
Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins.	75	90
<b>Per pound</b>		
Allspice, whole	18	20
Allspice, pure ground	18	22
Allspice, compound	15	18
Cassia, whole	18	20
Cassia, pure ground	20	25
Cassia, compound	13	18
Cloves, whole	17	20
Cloves, pure ground	25	30
Cloves, compound	18	20
Pepper, black, whole	14	15
Pepper, black, pure ground	16	18
Pepper, black, compound	10	13
Pepper, white, whole	20	23
Pepper, white, pure ground	25	30
Pepper, white, compound	18	20
Pepper, Cayenne	25	30
Ginger, whole, Jamaica	25	30
Ginger, whole, Cochim.	20	25
Ginger, pure ground	23	25
Ginger, compound	15	25
Nutmegs, (per pound)	55	80
Mace (per pound)	1 00	1 25
<b>Teas</b>	<b>Per pound</b>	
<b>China Blacks—</b>		
Choice	35	40
Medium	25	35
Common	13	20
<b>Indian and Ceylon—</b>		
Choice	32	40
Medium	25	32
Common	16	22
<b>Young Hysons—</b>		
Choice	35	45
Medium	28	35
Common	22	30
<b>Japan—</b>		
Finest May Picking	35	40
Choice	30	35
Fine	25	30
Good Medium	20	25
Comu	15	20

Tobacco		Per pound
T. & B., 3s, 4s, and 9s Cads.	00	72
Lily, 8s, cuds.	00	63
Crested, 8s, cuds.	00	60
T. & B. Black Chewing, Sorlos	00	64
T. & B. Mahogany, Scurig,		
Ss or 16	00	64
T. & B. 1-12 pkg, cut	00	89
T. & B. 1-5 pkg, cut	00	91
T. & B. in pouches, 1-4	00	91
T. & B. in 1-6 tins	00	99
T. & B. in 1/2 tins	00	99
T. & B. in 1s tins	00	87
Orinoco, 1-12 pkg.	00	85
Orinoco, 1-5 tins	00	91
Orinoco, 1/2 tins	00	80
Tuckett's Cherub Cigarette		
1-12	00	87
Brier, 8s, cuds	00	64
Derby, 3s and 4s, cuds.	00	67
Derby, 8s, cuds.	00	65
P. & W. Chewing, Cads.	00	60
P. & W. Chewing, Butts	00	66
Canadian Leaf, 50 lb bales	21	25
<b>Wooden Ware</b>	<b>Per doz.</b>	
Pails, 2 hoop clear.	1 50	1 60
Pails, wire hoop.	2 25	2 30
Pails, Star fibre		4 00
Tubs, No. 0 common	9 50	10 50
Tubs, No. 1 common	8 50	9 00
Tubs, No. 2 common	6 50	7 00
Tubs, No. 3 common	5 50	6 00
<b>Per nest.</b>		
Tubs, nests (3)	1 55	1 65
Tubs, wire hoop (3)	2 25	2 40
<b>Per doz.</b>		
Tubs, fibre, No. 0	16 50	
Tubs, fibre, No. 1	14 50	
Tubs, fibre, No. 2	12 50	
Tubs, fibre, No. 3	10 50	
<b>Per nest</b>		
Tubs, fibre, (3)	3 20	
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (2)	45	50
Butter Tubs, wire hoop (3)	75	80

## CURED MEATS AND LARD

Lard, pure, 20 lb pails	\$1	50
Lard, imported, 20 lbs	1	70
Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb tins, per case of 60 lbs	5	75
Lard, pure, Tierces, per lb	8	
Lard, 50lb tubs	5 1/2	
Lard, Compound, 20 lb pails	1	35
Lard, Compound, 3 and 5 lb tins, case 60 lbs.	5	00
<b>Smoked Meats</b>	<b>per lb.</b>	
Hams	11	
Breakfast bacon, bellies	11 1/2	
Breakfast bacon, backs	10	
Spiced rolls	10	
Shoulders	8 1/2	
Long Clear	9 1/2	
<b>Dry Salt Meats</b>		
Long clear bacon	5 1/2	
Shoulders	5 1/2	
Short Clear	5	
Backs	9	
<b>Barrel Pork</b>	<b>Per barrel</b>	
Heavy mes?	16	00
Shortcut	16	50
17	50	
<b>Meat Sundries</b>		
Fresh pork sausage, lb	8	
Bologna sausage, lb.	7	
Pickled pigs feet, kits.	1	40
Sausage casings, lb.	25	30

## FRESH FISH, OYSTERS

Whitefish, lb	05	05 1/2
Pickrel, lb.	04	
Trout, lb.	09	
Pike, lb.	02 1/2	
Salmon, lb	12 1/2	
B.C. halibut, lb.	12	
Smelts, lb	09	
Smoked goldeyes, doz.	30	
Smoked haddies	08	
Bloaters, per box	1	50
Salt Whitefish, per 1/2 bbl	6	50
Salt Trout, per 1/2 bbl.	7	50
Oysters, selects, per gal	2	00
Oysters, standards	1	80
Oysters, cans selects, each.	65	
Shell Oysters, bbls	7	50

## DRUGS

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

Alum, lb	3 1/2	4 1/2
Alcohol, gal.	25	5 50
Bleaching Powder, lb.	05	07
Bluestone, lb.	06	07
Bluestone, barrel lots	04 1/2	05
Borax	09	10
Bromide Potash	75	80
Camphor	55	65
Camphor, ounces	60	70
Carbolic Acid	35	60
Castor Oil	13	20
Chlorate Potash	18	20
Citric Acid	45	50
Copperas	03 1/2	04
Cocaine, oz	50	5 00
Cream Tartar, lb	25	32
Cloves	20	25
Epsom Salts	03	04
Extract Logwood, bulk.	14	15
Extract Logwood, boxes	13	20
German Quinine	30	40
Glycerine, lb.	20	25
Ginger, Jamaica	30	35
Ginger, African	20	25
Howard's Quinine, oz.	40	45
Iodine	4	75
Insect Powder	30	5 00
Morphia, sul.	30	35
Opium	1	90
Oil, olive	5	50
Oil, U.S. Saida	1	25



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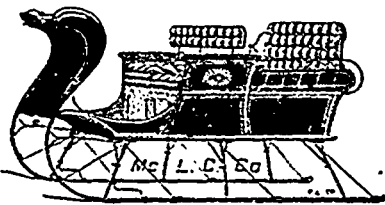
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## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, Dec. 3.

Reports from the country indicate a decided improvement in business, and city retail merchants have also found trade more active the last week or so. While the season of active business has been later than usual in starting, owing to the late harvest and bad country roads during the fall, the prospects ahead are good. Manitoba farmers have never before held as much grain for sale at as late a date as this. A year ago farmers were practically sold out while this year the bulk of the crop is still to come out. This would indicate that there will be a good, steady trade and easier money market, for some time in the future. While in past years the proceeds from the sale of the crops has come in with a rush, by the custom of marketing the great bulk of the crop within the two months following harvest, this year there will be steady and more prolonged inflow of cash as the crop leaves farmers' hands. The quantity of Manitoba wheat now in sight, including stocks at Fort William and west, is between 6 and 7 million bushels, exclusive of what has been shipped east of Fort William. While the regular lake steamship lines have ceased running and navigation has closed for general traffic, grain is still moving freely, and several charters were made this week to carry wheat east from Fort William. The moderate weather is favorable for a continuance of the lake grain movement. Wheat prices to farmers in the country, however, tend lower, as grain has now to be purchased on a winter basis, as to freights and carrying charges. The fall of snow at the beginning of the week has made good sleighing and been the cause of improvement in business. Bank clearings at Winnipeg show a very heavy increase this week, reaching \$3,264,000, which is the largest week of the season and the first week for some time which exceeds the corresponding period of last year. Bank clearings for November are just two millions under November last year, but 23.4 millions greater than for November, 1896. Land sales for November were not as large as they would have been if the harvest work had not been so delayed by wet weather. November is the heaviest month in the year for land sales, but this year's November sales were less than monthly sales during March to July inclusive. But November sales this year exceeded any month last year except November, which is a good record considering the drawback. Had the crop been turned into cash at as early a date as usual, November land sales this year would have undoubtedly been the largest on record.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, Dec. 3

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

## FISH.

The supply of fish is liberal and the variety in the market covers a wider range. The close season for Manitoba whitefish ended on Dec. 1st, so that winter fishing on the lakes has now commenced and fresh caught white will soon be in the market to take the place of refrigerator stock.

## HARDWARE, AND PAINTS.

Glass holds firm without further change. Some lots of glass for this market were on the lost steamer bound for Montreal. While stocks are not heavy there will probably be sufficient for requirements. Linseed oil is firm. Sheet zinc is held a fraction higher, in sympathy with recent advances east. Horse shoes are held very firm, the tendency being to get 10c more than recent inside quotations.

## GROCERIES.

In the line of price changes there is scarcely anything to note this week, the only change in our list being an advance of 15c per bushel on beans. The great bulk of winter stocks are now in, and changes in prices will not be as numerous during the next few weeks as has been the case in the immediate past. New table raisins are now in stock. In nuts no new stock has been received yet, but will be in shortly. The tendency is firm on nuts and prices are likely to run high this season, as stocks are light in several lines. A few new dates have arrived in Eastern markets, via New York, but none have reached here, and any considerable supply of dates is not expected before about the end of the month. The market for teas generally is firm, India teas are said to be advancing in primary markets. The Indian Tea association has published a revised estimate of the crop showing that the production will be about 4,000,000 pound short of the original estimate. Advices from China also report advancing markets for Hysons and Pingsueys. Brazil coffee is higher abroad. Molasses and sugars are very firm in Eastern markets. A further advance in Barbadoes is talked of at Montreal and Toronto. Canned tomatoes were easier in the east last week.

## GREEN FRUITS.

California navel oranges are now offering more freely, and those coming forward show very good quality for so early in the season. Mexican oranges are also still arriving. There has been a temporary dearth of California lemons. Apples hold firm. Dealers are not anxious to part with their choice fruit at present prices, as they look for an advance. Bananas are higher, as they can only be handled by express now. Walnuts and almonds are scarce and higher. Prices are: New California navel oranges \$5 to \$5.50, as to size; Mexican oranges \$4.50 to \$5 box; bananas, per bunch, \$3 to \$3.50, as to size; California lemons, nominal; Messina lemons, \$4.50 to \$5 box; Oregon winter Nellie pears, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per box; Ontario apples, ordinary winter stock, \$3.25 to \$3.75 as to quality; fancy apples, \$4 per barrel;

Almeria grapes \$8 a keg; cranberries, Cape Cod, \$8 barrel; sweet potatoes \$5 per bbl.; coconuts, \$1 a doz.; Sicily filberts, large, 11 to 12c per pound, Grenoble walnuts, 15c; Tarragona almonds, 16c; peanuts, green, 10c; roasted, 12c; pecans, 14 to 15c; shelled walnuts, 24 1-2 to 26c lb.; strained honey, 8 1-2 to 9c per pound; maple sugar, 11 to 12; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels; California figs, in boxes of ten bricks, \$2 per box; celery, 40c dozen bunches.

## GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

**WHEAT**—The week has been dull and steady in the wheat markets, with a little more life in them in the last two days. The December deal in the speculative markets seems to have been pretty well provided for, and parties who had bought December wheat in anticipation of a squeeze in the last days of November, had to let go their holdings at lower figures, and the last day of November was marked by decided weakness and lower prices. On the first instant the market seemed to rebound from the previous weakness, as if relieved from some weight, and a lively spurt took place in all markets. However, on the week there is practically no alteration in values. The movement in wheat in the United States is unprecedentedly large, but the demand holds pretty fair pace with the supply. On Thursday alone the clearances of wheat and flour from the American seaboard aggregated 1,633,000 bushels. Such a quantity for one day is enormous. The stock of wheat in public granaries in Liverpool, London, Hull and Glasgow on November 30th was only 1,440,000 bushels, no more than would supply the consumption of the United Kingdom for about two and one half days only. The world's visible supply for the week increased 3,800,000 bushels against 7,032,000 bushels the week previous. Locally the market has been dull and

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stagnant. Navigation at Fort William is still open and up till yesterday the weather there is reported mild and scarcely freezing, so that the river is quite free of ice. Tonnage seems fairly plentiful, and the freight rate, Fort William to Buffalo, is easy at 23-4c per bushel. Last year at this date it required 5c per bushel and over to bring the last boats to Fort William. The large shippers seem to be well supplied with wheat to fill all the space they have chartered, and holders who have been anticipating an eager demand, at good prices, for wheat to fill space, are rather disappointed. Last week prices closed easy, with 1 hard spot Fort William at 70c. Monday and Tuesday the price remained nominally at 70c, but large shippers would not bid over 69c, and very little business was done. Wednesday with the drop and weakness in outside markets, the local market became fairly demoralized. Large buyers would not bid over 67c for spot 1 hard, and 63c spot 2 hard, or 1 northern and 1 no one wanted wheat. Some basis 1 hard for Dec. delivery was sold at 65 1-2c. With better markets on Thursday, the feeling regained strength again, and the price of 1 hard Fort William was advanced to 68c, and yesterday to 68 1-2c, with 1 northern and 2 hard at 65c, sales being made at these figures, but the trade lacked life. The close of navigation at Fort William means a drop of 3c to 4c per bushel in value, unless a corresponding advance takes place in outside markets. Every dealer is endeavoring as far as possible to keep clear of having wheat left on hand at the close. 3 hard, 2 northern and 1 spring are worth 7c to 8c less than 1 hard. A few cars of no grade, tough wheat, have been sold at 5c to 7c under the price of same grade in good condition, but there is no demand for this wheat at present. The drying plant at Fort William is not quite ready for operating yet, but will be very shortly. Scoured wheat is in much the same position as damp wheat, there is no demand for it in the meantime. Scoured 1 and 2 hard and 1 northern is worth about 60c per bushel Fort William.

**FLOUR**—Quotations are the same as last week. Shipping business is now quiet, as navigation is closed so far as flour is concerned. A lot of flour has been shipped east during the past month to take advantage of the lake route rates before the close of lake navigation. Prices here to retail dealers are as follows: \$2.05 for patent, \$1.65 for strong bakers \$1.45 for second bakers and \$1.15 for XXXX per sack of 95 lbs. Discount of 5c per sack net.

**MILLFEED**—Prices are the same as last week. Bran is quoted at \$8 and shorts at \$10 per ton, with an advance of 50c per ton on these prices for small lots.

**GROUND FEED**—There is quite a variety of ground feed in the market, the price varying from 12 to \$19 per ton, as to quality. Good oat chop is quoted at \$18 to \$19 per ton; mixed barley and oats, \$16 to \$17, and wheat mixtures 12 to \$14. A little local mill oil cake is now offering at \$23 per ton.

**OATMEAL**—The market is easier, but the limited supply obtainable prevents an immediate decline in jobbers' prices. Dealers have been holding off until the Manitoba mills were able to supply the demand from the new crop and as a consequence stocks are very

light as the mills have not yet been able to offer in large quantities. The new Winnipeg mill is about ready for operation, and will soon be offering meal. Prices hold at about \$1.60 for car lots of rolled meal, per 80 pounds sack.

**OATS**—Offerings have not been as liberal this week, owing no doubt to the slow demand caused by too liberal supplies last week. There are plenty of oats available, however, at country points, should they be wanted. As there is no shipping business, it does not take a very large quantity to supply the local demand. Prices have ruled about the same as last week. Sales of feed oats have been made at 24 and 25c as to quality per bushel of 34 pounds for cars on track here. Choice milling samples will bring 1c more. The bulk of the offerings are poor quality.

**BARLEY**—There is very little demand for feed barley, which is quoted at about 26 to 28c per bushel of 48 lbs. Malting barley is in good demand at 30 to 35c as to quality.

**WHEAT**—Local street market—There is an over supply of low grade wheat offering for chicken feed, etc., at 25 to 35c per bushel of 60 lbs.

**FLAX SEED**—In Manitoba country markets 65c per bushel is being paid to farmers. The amount offered has been a little larger lately.

**CORN**—A little corn is coming in from the States. Car lots on track here would cost about 40 to 41c per bushel of 56 lbs.

**BUTTER**—Creamery—The market is steady, at about the same prices as quoted last week. Factories are all about closed out. Jobbers are quoting 22 to 23c as to quantity and quality.

**BUTTER**—Dairy—The market is easier at 14 to 15c here, as to quality for choice lots of fresh goods. The market has declined 1-2 to 1c from the top price paid recently. Mostly small lots of late made goods now offering.

**CHEESE**—The market is quoted the same as last week. Factories are about cleared out. Jobbers quote 9 1-2c for large and 10c for small sizes.

**EGGS**—There are no new Manitoba eggs offering. Held Manitoba fresh or Ontario fresh are quoted by jobbers at 18 to 20c, as to quality, and limed at 16 to 17c.

**POULTRY**—There is a steady demand for all kinds of poultry and prices remain at about last week's quotations. Some poultry is being brought in from Ontario, as the Manitoba supply is hardly sufficient for the demand. A shipment of Ontario fowl is now on the way to arrive next week. Prices this week are: Spring chickens, 8c to 9c per lb.; hens, 8c; turkeys, 10 to 12 1-2c, and ducks and geese, 8c to 10c.

**GAME**—Rabbits are quoted at about 8 1-2c each or three for 25c. There is a good demand for pigeons and 20c a pair can be obtained for those from Winnipeg dealers.

**DRESSED MEATS**—There is very little change in the situation this week. Some frozen meat is being brought in by farmers and there is a good demand for all kinds of meat. Coarse grades of beef are being taken for the lumber camps. Hogs for packing are scarce and packers have had to resort pretty freely to Ontario to supply their wants, Ontario hogs can be had down in Winnipeg at about \$6.15 per cwt., whereas \$6.25 is being offered for selected packing hogs of Manitoba production. These are worth the difference. Three cars of Ontario hogs

arrived for one concern this week and in all about seventeen cars have been imported during the season by Winnipeg houses. Prices are: Beef, best grade, 5c, country frozen beef, 4 to 4 1-2c; mutton, 6 1-2 to 7c; lamb, 7 1-2 to 8c; veal, 5 1-2 to 7c; pork, 5 3-4 to 6 1-4c as to weight and quality. More fresh killed meat is being used each succeeding winter, and is taking the place of frozen stock, which a few years ago was used nearly altogether during the winter season.

**VEGETABLES**—Prices are: Potatoes 35 to 40c per bushel; turn ps, 15 to 20c bushel; parsnips, 1 1-2c per lb.; carrots, 35 to 40c; beets, 35 to 40c per bushel; celery, 25 per dozen; cabbage, 25 to 60c per dozen. Onions, 30c to \$1 per bushel; Spanish onions, \$2 per crate.

**WOOL**—Nominal, 8 to 8 1-2c per lb.

**SENECA SCOT**—Nominal at 21c.

**HIDES**—The decline foreshadowed previously, has gone into effect, prices having dropped 1-2c on the first of the month. Frozen hides are now quoted at 6c here flat rate for all grades, 5 lbs tare. For inspected hides prices are as follows: No. 1, 6 1-2c; No. 2, 5 1-2c; No. 3, 4 1-2c. Branded hides: usually grade No. 2, and bulls No. 3 kip, 6c to 6 1-2c; calf 8c; deacon, skins, 15c to 25c each; sheepskins and lambskins have advanced 5c to 10 to 55c horse hides 75c to \$1.50 each.

**HAY**—Considerable loose hay is offering and it is mostly of poor quality. This is quoted at 7 to \$10 per ton, while baled hay, on track, Winnipeg is worth 7 to \$8 per ton.

#### LIVE STOCK.

**CATTLE**—The export season may now be said to be closed and the statistics for the year are given elsewhere in this issue, both for Montreal and Winnipeg. Some shipments were made this week; one of seven cars going forward on Tuesday and others have followed since. Some stockers have also been moved, a train load passing through Winnipeg for St. Paul. A number of cattle men have been in the city settling up. Cable advices indicate a good advance in old country markets this week and shippers are watching with considerable interest the results from the final arrivals. Some eastern shippers have been encouraged to take space in vessels from Portland and other United States ports by the strong cables. At Winnipeg the market closed at 3 1-4c for export cattle. Stockers are quoted at 2 1-4 to 2 1-2c and butchers' cattle at 2 1-2 to 2c.

**HOGS**—Offerings are light and the demand good. About 5c per lb., off cars, is the ruling quotation for selected weights, and others in proportion.

**SHEEP**—Very few coming in. Prices continue at 3 1-4 to 3 1-2c off cars here. Lambs dull at 3 1-2 to 4c.

**MILCH COWS**—The market has eased off a little this week and price range now from \$25 to \$40. The quality of the animals offering is not all that could be desired, which is largely responsible for the weaker state of the market.

**HORSES**—The demand for horses is not so keen. The lumber camps are pretty well supplied and the general inquiry is falling off. Two carloads are now on the way from Montana and a third will follow a few days later for this market. The first lot will be sold by auction on the 6th and the others about the 9th. A good driving horse is worth \$125 in Winnipeg to-day, and work horses all the way from \$125 to \$175 each.

### Chinese Markets.

Among those registered at the Clarendon hotel is Mr. Granville Sharp, of Hong Kong, China. Mr. Sharp is an elderly gentleman, who has resided in the Celestial empire for no less than forty-one years, and who in consequence is well posted on most Chinese questions. He is just now returning from a visit to England and was met here by his brother, who has been for thirteen years professor of English in the university of Kioto, Japan, and is now on his way to England, possibly to remain.

"We are now using Canadian flour in China," said Mr. Sharp, to a representative of the Free Press, "and the trade, though increasing, is not at all what it should be. China should be one of the best markets for Canadian produce, since the Chinese will use any article of food that is reasonable in price. There is a good demand for butter, the supplies of which are now brought from France and Holland. Australian butter has been tried, but cannot be brought across the line in good condition. Butter is worth in Hong Kong 60 to 70 cents a pound, silver standard, equal to 30 and 35 cents in your money. In North China, at Shanghai, butter is worth 38 and 40 cents a pound. Only Europeans and the wealthier Chinese can use butter at that price, however. It could be shipped from November to March with very little difficulty, I imagine."

"You Manitobans have excellent opportunities for raising hogs, I understand, and the Chinese market for that product might be easily developed, and if once Canadians become able to place bacon on the Chinese market at reasonable figures, the trade would develop enormously. There would simply be no limit to the amount of pork the Chinese would purchase. Bacon is now worth 25 cents a pound for the good qualities. Canada now furnishes us with three per cent of our imports when, from her geographical position, she should supply at least 30 per cent."

"The thing that is hindering Canada west is the appalling lack of labor. This no doubt strikes an old resident of China more forcibly than a visitor from any other country. In my several visits to Canada, I have noted its progress, and while this has been good, it might have been five times as great had there been more labor. In passing through Eastern Canada I saw fields thick with stumps, and now twelve years later I see those same stumps still in the fields. You cannot afford to take them out with men worth \$1 a day, but you could afford it with labor at 12 cents a day. I think you should have at least a million Chinese laborers in Canada. You can legislate to keep them down. Don't allow a Chinaman to be anything but a servant. There should be at least two Chinese servants in every family in Manitoba."

"The Chinese are good farmers, and they understand domestic work. Import sufficient Chinese and you could produce millions of bushels of grain, and thousands of sheep, cattle and hogs from the wide stretches of fertile prairie land which I now see lying idle."

### Western Business Items.

J. H. Fleming, hotel, Maple Creek, Assn., has sold out.

W. H. Duncan has opened a harness shop at Austin, Man.

J. & J. Brown, butchers, Grenfell, have dissolved.

The Buckle Printing Co., Winnipeg, is succeeded by Buckle & Morris.

J. McBurney, has purchased the Gladstone bakery, Gladstone, Man.

Dr. R. H. Pitts, of Edinburgh, will take up his practice at Portage la Prairie, Man.

R. Muir & Co., millers, Gladstone, are opening a branch flour and feed business at Minnedosa.

J. B. Rutherford, a well-known business man of Stonewall, Man., is leaving to take up residence in California.

The Great West Life Assurance company, which has its head office in this city, will shortly open a branch in London, Eng.

Gordon & Ironside made their last shipment of cattle to the European market for this season on Tuesday, November 29. It consisted of six carloads.

Mr. Blunderfeld, who returned again recently from St. Paul, where he went with a shipment of stocker cattle, reports the markets south as still very unfavorable for selling stockers.

It is alleged that the Golden Star Mining Company's new ten stamp mill at Mine Centre, Ont., has been giving returns of 20 a ton on plates. The company is milling an average of 36 tons a day.

Cook Bros., Manitoba, have dissolved.

Adams Bros., harness, Virden, have sold their Oak Lake branch store to Hockin of that town.

J. McCatchon, of Morden, is going into the lumber business at Glenboro.

Jones & Warren have bought out S. Kulght's business in live stock and produce at Winnipeg.

Two hundred head of stocker cattle were shipped from Carberry to St. Paul on Tuesday last.

J. L. Gibson, dealer in farm implements, Wokeley, has taken in D. Campbell as a partner and will open a branch at Sintaluta.

The total output of butter in the past season from the Regina creamery was 25,447 lbs. The Mounted Police were purchasers of 6,006 lbs., and there were other sales in Regina aggregating 2,599 lbs. The balance 16,842 lbs., was shipped to British Columbia markets.

The sum of \$100 was stolen from the office of the Wokeley Agency company at Wokeley a few days ago. The money belonged to D. H. McMillan & Co., grain dealers, Winnipeg.

W. H. Duncan has opened a harness shop at Austin.

### Alberta.

B. G. Atkinson has purchased A. Allan & Co.'s stock of men's furnishings and commenced business at Calgary.

### Legal Decisions.

Judge Prendergast has given judgment in a case of considerable interest to real estate men in the city. Sometime since Mr. Strevell the contractor met Mr. Walker, of the firm of Glines & Walker, and told him he was open to buy a property of a good character for investment. If Walker could recommend one, Walker suggested a terrace on Carlton street owned by Cross. He made an appointment with Cross and introduced him to Strevell, when the three went over

the terrace together. Subsequently Strevell told Walker he would let him know what he would do, and asked him to get the lowest price for the property.

In the meantime Douglas, another real estate man, went to Cross and told him he could find a purchaser for him. He saw him again and offered \$14,000, which Cross accepted, the purchaser being Strevell. Both Glines and Walker, and Douglas sued Cross for \$375, the amount of commission claimed.

Judge Prendergast has entered a verdict for Glines & Walker for \$375 and costs. Mr. McMeans appeared for Glines & Walker, and Mr. Huggard for Cross.

In a second case of Douglas vs. Cross for the like amount for commission the action has been tried before Judge Prendergast and stands for judgment.

### New York Stocks.

New York, Dec. 2.—Opening stocks — The market opened irregular. Atchafson 16 5-8; Burlington 119 1-2; Louisville 64; Leather preferred 68 3-8; Manhattan 98 5-8; Missouri Pacific 37 1-2; Northwest 140 1-4; Northern Pacific 40 3-4; do. preferred 76; People's Gas 119 3-8; Rock Island 118 1-2; Sugar 120 1-4 to 1-2; Southern preferred 41 3-4; Union Pacific 70 3-8.

Noon—Money on call nominally at 2 to 2 1-2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3 1-4 to 4 1-4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady at \$1.84 1-2 to 3-4 for demand and at \$1.8 11-2 to 3-4 for sixty days. Posted rates \$1.82 to 1-2 and at \$1.85 1-2. Commercial bills \$1.80 1-2. Silver certificates 60 1-2 to 61 1-2. Bar silver 59 3-8. Mexican dollars 46 3-8. Government bonds firm.

### British Columbia Items.

J. Brown is starting a coffin factory at Nelson.

Bongard & Peickert, hotel Cody, are out of business.

D. M. Linnard is opening in flour and feed at Grand Forks.

Bannerman Bros., grocers, are opening at Greenwood City.

W. H. Brown & Co., teas, New Westminster, are out of business.

R. Thornton is opening in dry goods and men's furnishings at Silverton.

S. Mellanby, saw mill, etc., Vernon, sold out and contemplates starting a store at Greenwood.

The stock of J. A. Lawrence, confectioner, etc., Victoria, was advertised for sale on Nov. 30.

H. A. Peacey, & Co., druggs, Cumberland, have dissolved partnership, Dr. Robert Lawrence retiring.

The stock of J. C. Tom, clothier and tailor, Golden, has been sold to Donald Fraser, of Winnipeg, at 67 1-2c on the dollar.

At a meeting of trades' unions at Vancouver on December 2, it was decided that in the spring a demand will be made on the employers for an eight hour day.

This week a year ago, lake freights advanced 5c per bushel on wheat, Fort William to Buffalo. Two years ago the steamers were frozen in the river at Fort William on December 1, though one steamer got away from Port Arthur a day later. In 1885 the last boat cleared from Fort William on December 5, and in 1884 the last boat cleared on December 2. Last year the last boat cleared on December 10, though the river was open some days later.



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**Manitoba Country Markets.**

Friday's wheat prices at C. P. R. points took a drop, averaging about two cents a bushel, and in the majority of places the prices did not quite reach 50 cents for No. 1 hard. Fifty-seven cents was the highest recorded price, and 46c the lowest. Eight thousand bushels were delivered at Indian Head and six thousand at Wapella. The total deliveries amounted to 114,900 bushels. The quotations are:

Main line—Poplar Point, 51; High Bluff, 48; Portage la Prairie, 52; McGregor, 53; Austin, 50; Sidney, 51; Carberry, 50; Douglas, 53; Brandon, Kemnary, Alexander, Griswold, 50; Oak Lake, Hargrave, Elkhorn, 49; Virden, 50; Fleming, 50; Moosomin, Wapella, 49; Whitewood, 51, Broadview, 52; Grenfell, 51; Wolseley, 49; Sinitahuta, 48; Indian Head, 53; Qu'Appelle, 50; Balgonie, Regina, Pense, Moose Jaw, 48; Caron, 50.

Prince Albert branch—Lumsden, 48; Rosthern, 46; Wascana, 48; Souris branch—Beresford, Souris, 50; Lauder, 54; Hartney, Napinka, 50; Melfort, 49; Elva, 48, 2 h; Pierson, 50; Cainsborough, Carleton Place, Oxbow, 48.

Southwestern branch—Alameda, 50; Carman, 48; Rathwell, 50-47, 1 and 2; Treherne, Holland, Cypress River, 50; Carroll, 51; Methven, Nesbitt, Reston, 50.

Pembina branch—La Salle, Morris, Rosenfeld, Altona, Gretna, Plum Coulee, Winkler, Morden, Thornhill, 48, 2 h; Manitow, LaRiviere, 50; Pilot Mound, 50-48, 1 and 2 h; Crystal City, 51-48, 1 and 2 h; Clearwater, 49 2 h; Cartwright, 50, 2 h; Holmfeld, Killarney, 50; Niuga, 49; Boissevain, Deloraine, 51.

Stonewall branch—57-51, 1 and 2h. Emerson branch—48-45, 1 h and 1 nor.; Pomilon City, 48, 1 nor. Otterburne, 48, 1 nor.

Yesterday 12,000 bushels of wheat and 4,000 bushels of oats were delivered at M. and M. W. railway points. Oats were worth 16 to 18 cents a bushel. The prices paid for wheat were as follows:

Gladstone, 51; Arden, 48; Franklin, 51; Shoal Lake, 52; Rapid City, 49; Midway, 48; Langenburg, Birtle, 49; Neepawa, Minnedosa, 50; Bluscarth, 52; Yorkton, 49; Russell, 48.

**Minneapolis Markets.**

Compared with last week millfeed and bran show an advance of 50c, corn feed a decline of 50c, corn a decline of 1 to 1 1/2c, oats an advance of 7-8c, flax an advance 4 1/2c, eggs an advance of 1 1/2c for strictly fresh and of 1c for other kinds, potatoes an advance of 2 to 3c, turkeys a decline of 2 to 2 1/2c, and ducks and geese a decline of 1 to 1 1/2c.

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$3.70 to \$3.80; second patents, \$3.40 to \$3.50.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$8.50 to \$8.75; bran in bulk, \$9.00 to \$9.50; corn feed, \$12.00 to \$13.50 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 30 to 30 1/2c for No. 3 yellow, and 1-4c less for No. 3. Oats—Oats held at 26 7/8c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Malting, 39 to 45c; feed quoted at 36 1/2 to 38c.

Flax seed—99 1/2c per bushel.

Eggs—2 1/2c for strictly fresh including cases; held fresh, 16 to 18 1/2c; seconds, 11c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 10 to 11 1/2c; fair to good, 8 1/2 to 9c.

Butter—Creamery 21c to 23c for choice to extras; seconds, 16 to 17c; dairy, 15 to 20c for choice to fancy; seconds, 13 to 14c.

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

Potatoes—Car loads, mixed, 2 1/2 to 3c, straight varieties, 30c per bushel.

Poultry—Chickens, spring, 5 to 8c; hens, 4 to 6c; roosters, 4c; turkeys, 7 to 8 1/2c; ducks, 6 to 6 1/2c; geese, 6c; all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides, 83-4c for No. 1, 8c No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 6 1/2 to 7 3/4c; sheepskins, 25 to 30c each, veal calf, 9 to 10 1/2c; tallow, 2 3/4 to 3c; seneca root, 22 to 24c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 11 to 12c; medium, 13 to 14c, coarse, 14 1/2 to 15 1/2c.

Hay—\$6.50 to \$7 per ton; timothy; mixed clover, \$6 to \$6.50.

**Latest Uses for Paper.**

"It is wonderful how extensively paper is taking the place of such substances as wood, brick, and iron in various mechanical trades," said a large New York dealer in all sorts of novelties made out of paper to the writer recently. "For instance, boards of all sizes and shapes are now manufactured out of wood pulp to very faithfully resemble the grain and texture of every kind of wood. The material costs about one-half the price of the genuine article and it is used by carpenters, cabinet makers, picture frame makers and boat builders for panelling, wainscoting and decorative work generally where lightness and durability are required. Two excellent qualities that the paper boards possess are that they are not subject to warping and dry rot. There are no bun knots to mar the appearance of the surface, and, as the material is smooth and does not require planing and can be easily cut with a fine saw, there seems every reason to believe that it will in time be used even more than this.

"Telegraph and telephone poles, flagstays and spars for small sailing vessels, are the latest development in the line of manufacture from paper. They are made of pulp in which a small amount of borax, tallow and other ingredients are mixed. These are cast in a mold in the form of a hollow rod of the desired diameter and length. The poles and spars are claimed to be lighter and stronger than wood. They do not crack or split, and it is said that when they are varnished or painted the weather does not affect them. Besides possessing these advantages, the paper made article can be made fire proof by saturating it in a strong solution of alum water. When thoroughly dry the paper poles and spars thus treated will resist the action of flames.

"The manufacture of enameled paper bricks, which commenced in 1869, has now become a definite industry, as the material has been used for building purposes all over the United States with very satisfactory results.

"The production of these bricks on the hollow principle is a marked feature in their form, the object being practically the same as that sought in the making of hollow forged steel shafting. Not only is a defective centre removed, but it is possible to put a mandrel into the hollow and by applying pressure the walls are operated perature always varies from that of the outer portion at first, often resulting in the expansion of one or the other, that causes the deflection. It

is for these reasons that the method of forming the bricks on the hollow principle and plugging them afterward is of advantage. Sawdust is found to be a good filler for this purpose. It is first fire-proofed, as is also the paper pulp used in the bricks, and then it is mixed with cement and pressed into the hollow of the bricks and smoothed and enameled over.

"Although paper horseshoes are a recent invention, having only been manufactured in this country within the past two years, their use has already become quite large with the owners of the horses, especially in cities where asphalt pavements abound. On such roads in wet weather a horse fitted with paper shoes is less liable to slip than when provided with iron ones, and besides being light and comfortable for an animal to wear, they are said to be more durable than iron shoes and are more easily and snugly fitted to the hoof.

"The paper horseshoe is made in practically the same way that a paper car wheel is formed. The paper is impregnated with oil or turpentine to make it waterproof, after which it is glued together in layers. The glue or paste is a mixture of Venetian turpentine, linseed oil, powdered chalk and lacquer, and it does not become brittle when drying. The moist mass of paper and glue is subjected to a strong pressure in a hydraulic press, the holes through which the nails are driven in fastening the shoe to a horse's hoof being punched while the paper is still moist. The blacksmith fastens them on with nails in the usual manner. These shoes cost from \$1.50 to \$2 per set."—Washington Star.

**Wheat Inspection.**

For the week ended Nov. 26th, 418 cars of wheat were inspected at Winnipeg, grading as follows: No. 1 hard 128 cars, 2 hard 31 cars, 3 hard 3 cars, 1 northern 177 cars, 2 northern 13 cars, 3 northern 2 cars, 1 white type 1 car, 1 spring 15 cars, rejected 13 cars, no grade 35 cars.

**Lake Freights.**

Rates on wheat, Fort William to Buffalo, have held about the same as last week. While 3c per bushel was asked in some cases, charters were made late in the week at 23-4c. One boat is loading today at this rate.

**British Cattle Markets.**

London, Nov. 28.—The supplies of cattle were much smaller than anticipated, owing to several steamers being overdue, consequently the undertone to the market was strong, and a firm trade was done. Choice States cattle sold 1-4c higher at 12 1/4c; Canadians 3-4 at 11 1/2c; Argentine 1-2 to 11 1-2c. Canadian sheep were firmer at 11 1/4 to 12c; Argentine sheep were fully 1-2 to 1c lower at 11c to 11 1/2c.

Liverpool, Nov. 28.—This market was also stronger, and prices for both cattle and sheep show an advance of 1-2c since this day week, choice Canadian cattle selling at 11c and sheep at 11 to 11 1/2c.

Bright & Johnston, wholesale fruit dealers, Winnipeg, are sending out to their customers and friends a very pretty hunger—the first we have seen this season. The design is appropriate—a child displaying a bunch of cherries—and the workmanship all that could be wished.

## British Columbia Markets.

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

BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, Dec. 3, 1898.

No changes have taken place in prices on any commodity this week. A couple of cars of Ontario have been refused by a local jobber on the ground of not being as represented, and if this is thrown on the market it will likely break prices. It is being held in the meantime.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 23 @ 24c for choice; choice dairy, jobbers price, 16 @ 18c.

Eggs—Local, 50c; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 19c; Pickled eggs 19c.

Cheese—Ontario, 11 @ 12c, jobbers price.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½ @ 13c; breakfast bacon 12½ @ 13c; backs 12 @ 12½c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11 @ 12½c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per lb, in pails and tubs 9½c lb.

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

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$10 @ 11 per ton, Ashcroft, \$16 @ 17c; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$4.50 @ 5 box; grapes, \$1.50 @ 1.60; pears, 60c @ 1.50 box; apples, 65c per 50 lb. box; valencia oranges, \$3.25; Japanese oranges 65c.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.80; 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10 7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$5.30; strong bakers \$5.00; Oregon, jobbers price, \$4.75.

Grain—Oats, 17.00 @ \$19.00 per ton; wheat, 23.00 @ \$25.00 per ton;

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$23.00 per ton; shorts \$20 ton; bran \$18, oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$8 to \$10 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7 @ 7½c; mutton 10 @ 10½c; pork 7 @ 8c; veal 10 @ 10½c; Pemican 40c lb.

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

Poultry—Chickens, \$4 @ \$6 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, 13c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnut, 13c lb.

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

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tins, \$4.50 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

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

## Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, Dec. 3.

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$14.00.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.35 @ 1.45; band iron, \$1.65 @ \$1.75 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, \$2.80 @ 2.40; 22 @ 24, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 26, \$2.35 @ 2.45; 28, \$2.45 @ 2.55.

Galvanized Iron—16-gauge, \$3.75; 18 @ 24, \$4.00; 26, \$4.25 and 28 at \$4.50.

Lead—Pig, 3¼ @ 4c; sheet, 4½ @ 4½c per lb; shot, Can., dis. 7½ per cent; pipe, ordinary, 7c, composition waste, 7½c with 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; in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; ½ in., \$3.10; in., \$2.80; ¾ in., \$2.75.

Sheet Zinc—7½ @ 7½c per lb.

Antimony—10½ @ 11c; solder 13 @ 14c.

Ingot Copper—13 @ 13½c per lb.

Ingot Tin—22 @ 23c.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; do, 60-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.25; all-bright "Garth," \$2.85 per box; do, "alaska," \$3.00.

Tin Plates—Prices unchanged at \$4.75 @ \$5.00 for I.C., \$6.00 @ \$6.25 for I.X. and \$7.25 to \$7.50 for I.X.X.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., ½ to ¾ inch, \$2.25 @ \$2.30; 1 inch, \$2.30 @ 2.35; ¾ inch, \$2.80; 1 in., \$3.95; 1½ in., \$5.20; 1½ inch, \$6.75; 2 inch, \$9.10; Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.90; ¾ inch, \$4.80; 1 inch, \$6.75; 1½ inch, \$7.15; 1½ inch, \$11.75; 2 inch, \$16.00.

Barb Wire—\$1.75 f.o.b., Cleveland and \$1.85 from stock Toronto. Terms, 30 days or 2 per cent. 10 days.

Fence Wire—Annealed, oiled and annealed, 37½ per cent; galvanized, 30 per cent; terms 4 months or 3 per cent. 30 days. Bright wire 35 per cent.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.75.

Cut Nails—\$1.75 base price, with 5c keg, Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

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

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

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

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, ¼ @ 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, \$1.90, and in 100-foot boxes, \$3.50; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$6.00. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

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

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

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 10c; ¾ in., 10½c; ½ and 5-16 in., 11c; Manila, 7-16 and larger, 11½c; ¾, 12c; ½ and 5-16, 13.

## Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, Dec. 3.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4.68c; yellows, 3.93 @ 4.43c.

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

Teas—Japans, low grade, 16c @ 20c per lb; Young Hysons, seconds 16c @ 19c; firsts, 25 @ 45c; Indian, 18 @ 50c; Congous, low grades, 10c @ 15c; mediums, 22 @ 25c, and fines, 40c @ 55c; Ceylons, 17 @ 25c; Formosa Oolongs, 25 @ 65c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 7½ @ 11½c; Mocha, 23c @ 28c; Java, 30c @ 32c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, 87½ @ 95c; peas, 80c @ \$1; sifted peas, \$1.05 @ 1.20; corn, 95c @ \$1; beans, 80 @ 90c; pumpkins, 70 @ 75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.80, raspberries, 2's, \$1.60 @ 1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.55 @ 1.65; 3's, \$2.50 @ 2.65. Cohoes Salmon, \$1.15 @ 1.20; sock-eyes, \$1.50 @ 1.60, lobsters, halves, \$1.75 @ 1.80; tall lbs, \$2.80; flats, \$3.10.

Nuts—Marbots, 11½c; filberts, Sicily, 9c; Grenoble Walnuts, 12½ @ 13c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 5¼ @ 4c; do. Patna, 5½ @ 6c; do. Japan, 6 @ 6½c.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk 4½c; fine off-stalk, 4¾ @ 5c; selected, 5½ @ 5¾c; layers, 6 @ 6½c. Provincial, currants 4½ @ 5c; Filizats, 4¾ @ 5½c; Patras, 6c; Vostizzas, 6½ @ 8c. California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 12½ @ 14c; pears, 9c @ 10c; prunes, 70's to 80's 7½ @ 8c; 80's to 90's 7 @ 7½c; 90's to 100's, 6½ @ 6¾c. Bosnia prunes, 5½ @ 6½c; Sultanas, 11c @ 13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @ 13c per lb; citron, 17c @ 20c; lemon 10½c @ 13c. Halloween dates, 5½ @ 6½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.30 @ 1.50 per box; black baskets, \$2.40; blue baskets, \$2.50; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters \$1.25.

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

## PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$15.50 @ \$16.00 for Canada mess; short cut, \$16.50; clear mess, \$15.50.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7½c, ton and case lots, 8c.

Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 10½ @ 11c; hams, large 10c and 10½c to 11c for medium; rolls, 8½ @ 8¾c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tubs, 7½c; pails, 7½c.

A. Congdon, Winnipeg, agent for the Dolge felt shoes, reports that his supply of these goods has run short, owing to the great demand for them. He expects another large shipment to arrive at once.

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**New York Wheat.**

New York, Nov. 28.—Options opened steadily, sold off under liquidation, but finally rallied. The late feature was covering, induced by firm cables, the rise in corn and export demand, closing firm at unchanged prices from Saturday's regular close, but 3-8 to 1-2c above the curb. March opened 71 3-4, closed 71 3-4; May opened 70 7-8 to 71 1-4, closed 71 1-4; Dec. opened 72 7-8 to 73 11-16, closed 73 5-8.

New York, Nov. 29.—Wheat, receipts 161,300 bushels, exports 108,235 bushels. Option opened steady on bullish Argentine rumors. December liquidation again ensued, however, and broke the market, prices ruling heavy all afternoon, and closing at 1-4 to 1-2c net decline. March 71 1-2 to 71 7-8c, closed 71 1-2c; May 70 15-16 to 71 7-16c, closed 71c; Dec. 73 1-16 to 73 13-16c; closed 73 1-8c.

New York, Nov. 30.—Wheat — Receipts 558,325 bushels, exports 425,994 bushels. Options opened easy under December liquidation. Following a sharp rally inspired by cash demand and a jump in corn, the market finally yielded to realizing and closed weak at 1-8c to 1-2c net decline. March 71 to 71 1-4, closed 71; May 70 3-4 to 71 1-8, closed 70 7-8; Dec. 72 9-16 to 73 1-16, closed 72 5-8.

New York, Dec. 1.—Wheat receipts, 351,425 bushels; exports, 446,752 bushels. Options opened firm on foreign buying and cables, and ruled strong all day. The principal buying motives were record breaking clearances, a good export demand and a rumored drop in consols. Deliveries on December contracts were liberal, but all went to exporters. Close 3-4c to 1c net higher; March, 71 1-4 to 76c, closed 75c; May, 71 1-16c to 71 3-4c, closed 71 5-8c; July, 71 1-16 to 71 3-4c, closed 71 5-8c; Dec., 72 7-8c to 73 7-8c, closed 73 3-4c.

New York, Dec. 2.—Wheat — Receipts 303,400 bushels; exports 188,675 bushels. Options opened steady, and after some advance on clearing, light offerings and a prospective visible supply decrease, turned weak. On the decline long wheat came out, and export trade disappointing, closed unchanged to 3-8c net lower. March opened 74 5-8 to 75 1-8, closed 74 5-8; May opened 71 1-4 to 71 7-8, closed 71 1-4; Dec. opened 73 1-2 to 74 1-8, closed 73 5-8.

New York, Saturday, Dec. 3.—December wheat closed at 73 1-2 and May at 71 1-8c.

**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 of moss pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, Nov. 28.—Wheat, Nov. 66 1-8 n. Dec. opened 65 7-8c, closed 66 1-8 to 1-4c b. May opened 66 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 66 1-4 to 3-8c. Corn, Nov. 33 1-8c n. Dec. opened 32 1-2c, closed 33 1-8c. May opened 33 7-8c, closed 34 1-2c. Oats, Nov. 26 1-8c n. Dec. opened 25 5-8c, closed 26 1-8c b. May opened 26 1-8c, closed 26 3-4c. Ribs, Dec. 34.42 b. Jan. opened 34.50, closed 34.55 b. Pork, Jan. opened 89, closed 89.02 b. Dec. opened 87.72, closed 87.77 to 87.80. May opened 89.20, closed 89.22 b. Lard, Jan. opened 41.90, closed 41.95. Dec. opened 41.80, closed 41.82.

Chicago, Nov. 29.—Wheat, Nov. 65 3-4c n. Dec. opened 65 7-8c, closed 65 3-4c b. May opened 66 1-8c, closed 7-8 to 66c. Corn, Nov. 33 1-8c n. Dec. opened 33 7-8c, closed 34 1-2c. Oats, Nov. 26 1-4c n. Dec. opened 26 1-4c, closed 26 1-4c. May opened 26 5-8c, closed 26 3-4c.

Ribs, Dec. \$4.45 n. Jan. opened \$4.55 to \$4.57, closed \$4.57. Pork, Dec. opened \$7.77, closed \$7.75. Jan. opened \$9.02, closed \$9.07. May opened \$9.22, closed \$9.27. Lard, Dec. opened \$4.82, closed \$4.85 b. Jan. opened \$4.95, closed \$4.97.

Chicago, Nov. 30.—Wheat, Nov. 65 1-4 to 3-8c n. Dec. opened 65 5-8c, closed 65 1-4 to 3-8c b. May opened 65 7-8c, closed 65 3-4 to 7-8c b. Corn, Nov. 33 1-8c n. Dec. opened 33 to 32 7-8c, closed 33 1-8c n. May opened 34 1-4c, closed 34 1-4 to 3-8c. Oats, Nov. 26 3-8 to 1-2c n. Dec. opened 26c, closed 26 3-8 to 1-2c b. May opened 26 5-8 to 3-4c, closed 26 3-4 to 7-8c. Ribs, Dec. \$4.47 n. Jan. opened \$4.60, closed \$4.65. Pork, Dec. opened \$7.80, closed \$7.77. Jan. opened \$9.05, closed \$9.17. May opened \$9.25, closed \$9.37. Lard, Dec. opened \$4.85, closed \$4.90. Jan. opened \$4.97, closed \$5.05.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Wheat, Dec. opened 7-8 to 66c, closed 66 to 1-8c. May opened 66 3-8c, closed 66 3-4c n. July 64 5-8c b. Corn, Dec. 33 1-4 to 3-8c. July 35c n. May opened 34 3-8 to 1-2c, closed 34 1-8c b. Oats, Dec. opened 26 5-8 to 3-4c, closed 26 1-2 to 5-8c. May opened 26 7-8c, closed 26 7-8c b. Ribs, Jan. opened \$4.62, closed \$4.67 to \$4.70. May opened \$4.75, closed \$4.87 b. Pork, Dec. opened \$7.75, closed \$7.90 n. May opened \$9.35, closed \$9.47. Jan. opened \$9.15, closed \$9.27. Lard, Jan. opened \$5.05, closed \$5.15. May opened \$5.17, closed \$5.30 to \$5.32.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Wheat—Dec. opened 66c, closed 66 1-2c b. May opened 66 3-4c, closed 66 1-2c b. July 64 3-4c n. Corn, July 35c n. Dec. opened 33 1-4c, closed 33 1-4c n. May opened 34 3-8 to 1-2c, closed 34 3-8c n. Oats, Dec. opened 26 1-2 to 5-8c, closed 26 3-8c. May opened 26 7-8c, closed 26 5-8c. Ribs, Jan. opened \$4.07, closed \$4.05. May opened \$4.82, closed \$4.77 to \$4.80. Pork, Dec. \$7.87 n. Jan. opened \$9.20, closed \$9.25 n. May opened \$9.40, closed \$9.47. Lard, Jan. opened \$5.15 to \$5.17, closed \$4.12 to \$4.15. May opened \$5.30 n, closed \$5.30.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Wheat opened at 66 3-8c for May, ranged from 66 1-4c to 66 5-8c, and closed at 66 1-4c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—Dec., 65 1-2c; May, 66 1-4c; July, 64 1-2c.  
Corn—Dec., 33 1-4c; May, 34 3-8c; July, 35c.  
Oats—Dec., 26 1-8-1-4c; May, 26 1-2c.  
Pork—Dec., \$7.90; Jan., \$9.17 1-2c; May, \$9.40.  
Lard—Jan., \$5.10; May, \$5.25.  
Ribs—Jan., \$4.60; May, \$4.75.  
A week ago December option closed at 65 5-8c. A year ago December wheat closed at 95c, two years ago at 79 1-8c, three years ago at 57 7-8c, four years ago 54 7-8c.

**BRITISH STOCKS.**

London, Dec. 2.—4 p.m.—Consols for money 110 5-16, consols for the account 110 3-4; Canadian Pacific 87 1-2; Grand Trunk 8; Erie 14 3-8; Erie first preferred 37 1-2; Illinois Central 115; Northern Pacific preferred 73 1-9; St. Paul common 118 1-8; New York Central 212 1-2; Pennsylvania 61 3-8; Reading 9 5-8; Union Pacific preferred 72 1-4; Atchison 17 1-8; Louisville 65 3-4; Bar silver 27 7-16d.

**LIVERPOOL PRICES.**

Liverpool, Dec. 2.—12.30 p.m.—Wheat —Steady. No. 1 red northern spring 6s 3d; No. 2 red western winter, stocks exhausted. Corn—Quiet. American mixed, spot, old, 3s 10 1-2d. Peas—Canadian 5s 10 1-2d.

Wheat—No. 1 red northern spring firm at 6s 2-1-2d. Corn—American, spot, mixed, old, dull at 3s 10 1-2; Dec. quiet at 3s 9 3-8d; March quiet at 3s 7 1-2d.

**LIVERPOOL GRAIN RECEIPTS.**

Receipts of wheat during the past three days, 150,000 centals, including 110,000 centals of American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days were 175,200 centals.

**WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.**

No. 1 hard wheat closed on Saturday at 67 1-2 to 68c afloat Fort William, No. 1 northern and 2 hard at 64c.

**DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.**

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

Monday—Dec., 63 7-8c; May, 65 3-8c.  
Tuesday—Dec., 63 1-4c; May, 65c.  
Wednesday—Dec., 63 1-1c; May, 64 7-8c.  
Thursday—Dec., 64 1-4c; May, 65 3-1c.  
Friday—Cash, 65 3-1c; Dec., 64 3-1c; May, 65 5-8c.  
Saturday, Dec. 63 1-2c; May, 65 1-4c.  
Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 69c, and cash No. 1 northern at 65 1-2c.  
A year ago December wheat closed at 63c.  
A week ago December option closed at 66 7-8c, two years ago December option closed 60 3-8c, three years ago at 54 3-8c, four years ago at 58 1-2c, and five years ago at 60 3-8c.

**CHEESE MARKETS.**

Special to The Commercial.  
Liverpool Dec. 2.—Cheese, white 45s. colored, 46s. This is an advance of 1s. 6d over last week's prices.

**MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.**

Saturday, Dec. 3.—No. 1 northern wheat closed at 62 3-4c for December and 64 1-4-3-8c for May; Cash No. 1 northern, 63 1-1c; cash, No. 2 northern, 61 1-2c.

**CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.**

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Flax seed closed 1.05 for cash and May \$1.03 1-2.

**LIVERPOOL WHEAT.**

Liverpool, Dec. 3.—Wheat closed 1-2 to 5-8d lower.

**MONTREAL STOCKS.**

Montreal, Dec. 2.—C. P. R. London 87 1-2, Commercial Cable Montreal 185 3-4.

R. N. Johnston, cigars, opening at Vancouver.

In the case of Walsh vs. The Northwest Electric company an appeal to the privy council has been decided upon to finally determine whether companies licensed under the "Manitoba Joint Stock Companies' act" have power to issue stock at a discount or not.

Up to this date last year, it was estimated that 16,000,000 bushels of wheat had been marketed by farmers, of which 12,000,000 bushels had been shipped eastward of Winnipeg.

Exports of grain from the port of Montreal during the season of navigation 0 1898 show the extraordinary increase of nearly twenty-million bushels over last year. Cheese shows an increase of 108,902 boxes and butter 141,464 packages.

The passenger rate war between the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific railroads in Ontario was declared off this week, and are now restored to the basis of last February, since which time the companies have been cutting.

The Montreal Herald has issued an elaborate special number dealing with the special business attractions of Montreal, and the advantage of the St. Lawrence as a trade route.

**TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.**

Special to The Commercial.  
Toronto, Dec. 3.

**Dry Goods**—Stock taking is completed this week, and shows gains of from 15 to 40 per cent. The winter sorting trade is more active. Canadian wollen mills are talking higher prices.

**Hardware**—Brisk. Sales are much larger than last year, many western letter orders are being received. Skates and lumbermen's supplies are active. Sales of stoves and furnaces falling off, yet factories still have difficulty in making delivery. Metals are fairly active and firm. Turpentine is 2c dearer.

**Groceries**—New dates arrived to-day and 61-4c is being asked for them. Stocks of Elmer figs are about exhausted and no more are coming. Reports from New York say cutting sugar prices began to-day and markets are weaker in consequence. Canned goods are active. Corn has advanced to \$1.00. Coffee is stronger.

**TORONTO LIVE STOCK.**

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Nov. 29.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 83 carloads, including 1,150 sheep and lambs and 1,500 hogs.

**Export cattle**—Prices were 5c higher. Heavy exporters sold at \$1 to \$1.30 per cwt. Butcher's cattle in heavy demand, and prices steady to firm, choice quoted at \$4, common in fair demand at \$3 to \$3.25. Stockers for Buffalo brought \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cwt. Feeders a little firmer at \$3.50 to \$3.75.

**Sheep**—Prices for heavy sheep were 15c higher. Sheep for export and butchers' use brought \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cwt. Spring lambs in fair demand at \$3.85 to \$4.10 per cwt.

**Hogs**—Choice bacon hogs advanced 12c per cwt to \$4.38 to \$4.50, light sold at \$4, and heavy at \$4.25; sows \$3 to \$3.25.

**FRIDAY'S MARKETS.**

Toronto, Dec. 2.

Total offerings were 60 car loads, including 1,500 sheep and lambs, and 4,000 hogs.

Export cattle advanced 10c per 100 pounds to \$4 to \$4.35. Stockers were easier in consequence of a heavy over supply at Buffalo. Hogs were in active demand and firm, notwithstanding large receipts, choice bacon selling at \$4.38 to \$4.50 as to quality. Sheep and other lines were the same as on Tuesday.

**TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE**

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Dec. 3.

**Deliveries of grain** are larger. Ontario wheat is 1-2c up, Ontario flour 5c lower, Manitoba flour is 10c lower, oats 1c dearer, dressed hogs 10c lower, dairy butter 1-2c lower, dried apples 1-2c higher, hides scarce and English hogs are reported as selling 1-2c lower than domestic.

**Flour**—Manitoba patents, \$1.10. Manitoba bakers, \$3.80. Ontario straight roller, \$3.30 per barrel in wood in car lots, Toronto.

**Wheat**—Ontario red and white winter wheat, \$8.12c for cars at country points. No. 1 hard, \$9 to \$9c, Toronto. No. 1 northern 79 to 79 1-2c.

**Oats**—White 2c for cars at country points.

**Barley**—No. 1 47 to 48c at country points; No. 2 45c.

**Millfeed**—Shorts, \$14 to \$15 per ton at country points. Bran, \$10 to \$12 per ton.

**Oatmeal**—\$3.30 in bags per barrel and \$3.50 in wood for car lots.

**Eggs**—Fresh, 18c; new laid, 19 to 20c; lined, 14c.

**Butter**—Dairy, tubs, 11 1-2 to 13 1-2c for choice fresh goods, medium grades, 9 to 10c creamery, tubs, 18 to 18 1-2c; prints, 20c.

**Cheddar**—9 1-2c for choice late fall make.

**Hides**—No. 1 green, 51-2c; cured, 9 sheepskins and lambskins, 60 to 75c; calfskins 8 to 10c; tallow, 3 to 3 1-4c.

**Wool**—Washed fleece, 14 to 15c; unwashed, 9 to 10c.

**Beans**—75 cents to \$1 per bushel as to quality.

**Dressed hogs**—\$5.40 to \$5.60 per 100 pounds for car lots of mixed weights.

**Dried apples**—5 to 5 1-2c for round lots, evaporated 8 to 8 1-4c.

**Honey**—Round lots 6 to 7c.

**Poultry**—Turkeys, 8 to 9c; chickens 30 to 50c, geese, 5 to 6c.

**MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Dec. 3.

Trade has been steady and prices firm, some lines showing substantial gains in this respect, poultry being the only one that shows a reduction from last week's prices. This is owing to heavy receipts and mild weather. Oats are quiet and firm at 1-2c advance, bran and shorts have each advanced 1, creamery butter had advanced 1 1-4c on both tubs and boxes, and cheese is very firm and quiet. Prices are as follows.

**Oats**—No. 2 white 30c in store.

**Flour**—Prices to the trade delivered are, Manitoba strong bakers, 4 to \$1.15 Manitoba patents \$1.30 to \$1.50.

**Millfeed**—Bran, \$14 per ton; shorts 15, including sacks.

**Oatmeal**—Rolled oats \$1.70 to \$1.75 per bag.

**Hides**—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8c to 10c; sheepskins, 40c to 50c; lambskins, 70c, tallow, 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c.

**Eggs**—15 to 16c per dozen.

**Butter**—Choice dairy, 14 1-2 to 15c, western dairy, 12 to 13c.

**Butter**—Creamery, in tubs, 18 3-4 to 19 1-4c, boxes 19 1-2c.

**Cheese**—Choice western, 9 1-4 to 9 1-2c; eastern, 9 to 9 1-2c.

**Beans**—85c to 95c per bushel as to quality.

**Potatoes**—In car lots 50c to 55c.

**Dressed turkeys** 8 to 9c, ducks 7 to 7 1-2c; geese 5 to 6c; chickens 6 to 7c.

**MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Nov. 29.

Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 600 cattle and 10 sheep and 1,500 lambs.

Receipts were ample for the requirements and the tone of the market steady. Prices show no change from a week ago. Attendance of buyers was large, but trade was slow; good to choice stock were scarce. No demand for stockers on Buffalo account and the result was some common cattle were left over. A few good steers sold at 4 1-4c, best cattle at 3 1-2c to 4c, and lower grades at from 2c to 3c per lb., live weight. Sheep in fair demand at 3c to 3 1-4c per lb., live weight. Lambs were in good demand at 4c to 4 1-4c per lb., live weight. A few calves sold at \$2 to \$3 each, as to size and quality.

At the Grand Trunk stock yards receipts of live hogs were 900, of which 700 sold at 4 1-2c per lb., and the balance at \$1.25 to \$1.30 per 100 lbs., fed. At the Canadian Pacific stock yards 300 offered and sold at the above prices.

**THURSDAY'S MARKETS.**

Montreal, Dec. 2.

The cattle market on Thursday was well supplied, with a fair local demand at steady prices. Quotations were the same as on Monday. Navigation being now closed at this port receipts are lighter and the market has lost much of its interest.

**MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Dec. 3.

Trade in hardware is quieter and prices firm. Raw linseed oil has advanced 1c, and so has the boiled article. Turpentine is up 2 to 3c. Prices are as follows. White lead, government standard, 5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 4 1-2c; linseed oil, raw, 49 to 50c; boiled, 52 to 53c; turpentine, 57c, bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50; tin plates, cozes, 2.75 to \$2.90, I. C. charcoal, 3.25 to \$3.75, Canada plates, 2.10 to \$2.15, terra plates, 5.95 to \$6.25; galvanized iron 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c, lead, 3.75 to \$4, iron pipe, 4 to 4 1-4c, putty in bulk, 1.65, in bladders, 1.80, ingot tin, 20c, Cement, English brands, 3.30 to \$3.10 Germany, 2.45 to \$2.55, and B. I. gum 1.85 to \$1.95 per barrel, ex wharf. Rope, sisal 10 to 10 1-2c, Manila, 11 1-2 to 12 1-2c for 7-16 size and larger.

**MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Dec. 3.

The situation in groceries remains pretty much as it was last week and prices are unchanged and steady with the exception of molasses, which has risen 1c to 31c for car lots. Sugar is firm.

Quotations are: Granulated sugar, standard 4.50 per 100 lbs at refiner's, yellows \$3.75 to \$4.25; molasses 81c in car lots, syrups 2 to 2 1-2c as to quality. Valencia raisins 4 3-4 to 5 1-2; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8c to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B., 3 3-4 to 4c.

**LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET**

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Dec. 2.—Cattle firmer and 1-4c higher at 11 1-4 to 12 1-4c for steers, estimated dressed weight.

**SUGAR.**

Special to The Commercial.  
London, Dec. 2.—Beet sugar spot, firm at 10s 2 1-4d; January 3-4d higher at 10s 3d.

**INLAND REVENUE COLLECTIONS.**

The inland revenue collections in the Winnipeg districts during the month of November were as follows:

Spirits	\$34,047.86
Malt	863.13
Tobacco	11,416.63
Tobacco, raw leaf	643.16
Cigars, ex-factory	410.95
Cigars, ex-warehouse	1,074.61
Myth. spirits	295.14
Licenses	75.00
Petroleum	259.30

Total ... .. \$49,085.78