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Enormous Grain Movement.

The statement in The Commercial last week showed that 22,151 cars equal to 18,500,000 bushels of wheat had been shipped eastward from country points for the first three months of the present crop year. These figures are based on the inspection returns. All wheat shipped to Winnipeg for milling or for export via Port William and Port Arthur, is inspected here, and all wheat going by rail through the United States is inspected at Emerson. The inspection returns therefore show the entire movement of wheat shipped from country points, except wheat ground in mills west of Winnipeg and shipped out as flour. For the week ending December 7, there were 248 cars of wheat inspected, equal to 2,000,000 bus, which added to the total to the end of last week up to 20,500,000 bushels of wheat actually shipped from Manitoba and the Territories on this crop. To this we can add say 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, and 10,000,000 bushels of wheat in store at interior points making a grand total of 32,500,000 bushels of wheat marketed to date on this crop by the farmers of Manitoba and the Territories. This is not allowing for wheat ground in interior mills, which would bring the grand total up to over 35,000,000 bushels. The quantity of wheat remaining in farmers' hands is still very large. The crop of wheat alone is estimated officially at Manitoba very largely at 25,000,000 to 30,000,000 bushels, and that of the Territories generally at 25,000,000 to 30,000,000 bushels. If these crop estimates are approximately correct, it will be seen that we have still an enormous quantity of wheat to move eastward, including the wheat in store at interior points and the grain still in the hands of farmers.

These figures deal with wheat alone, besides which the farmers have a surplus of oats, barley and flax seed to dispose of. Shipments of oats already approximate 1,000,000 bushels, but only a limited quantity of barley and flax seed has been moved. The surplus quantity of the two latter, however, is not great.

The bulk of the wheat shipped eastward has been carried by water from Port William to Sarnia and other eastern lake ports. Shipments from Port William and Port Arthur to the close of navigation (November 6) were approximately 12,000,000 bushels. The balance of the 20,500,000 bushels inspected to the end of last week is made up of shipments out via Duluth, wheat in store at lake ports, or in transit thereto and wheat taken by mills at Winnipeg and Keewatin.

The most serious feature of the situation is lack of storage accommodation for the enormous quantity of grain remaining west of the lakes after the close of navigation, as with the long all-rail haul it will be impossible to keep elevators from becoming blocked with grain.

Canadian Coal Scarce.

Winnipeg consumers of fuel are being narrowed down to a very small selection of coal just at present owing to a combination of untoward circumstances. The Canadian anthracite coal from the Rocky Mountains is practically unobtainable here now in domestic sizes as the greasy increased demand for it west of Regina is so absorbing that the mining company can produce, while it increases in production, but insufficient quantities for an increase in local area. Another kind of coal which is exceedingly scarce is the Southerly, deliveries of which are reduced to an occasional carload owing to the prevailing scarcity of cars and engines on the C. P. R. Now that navigation is closed and the grain rush is over we may expect to see a better car service to and from these mines.

Under the pure food law of Minnesota several creameries in the southern part of the state are being prosecuted for under-reading the testing apparatus when taking in cream from the farmers. We trust that farmers have no knowledge of the Babcock test and that they can easily be cheated in this way.

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THE PRESIDENT ON RECIPROcity.

Several subjects of special interest to Canadians were discussed by President Roosevelt in his message to the United States congress, recently opened. As an American power, the Monroe doctrine as a matter which also concerns Canada very considerably. We were also very materially interested in the proposed isthmian canal. The question upon which most Canadians are best informed and most generally interested, however, is that of reciprocity. The president spoke very plainly upon this subject and made it quite clear where the United States, or at least the governing party in that country, stands in regard to reciprocity and the tariff question generally. This will be very interesting reading to Canadians in view of the movement in the United States in favor of reciprocity with this country. While commercial limitations in several leading United States cities have been moving in favor of reciprocity with this country, the remarks of the president would indicate that the reciprocity movement does not permeate official or governing circles at least to the same extent as it does the commercial interests referred to.

Regarding the tariff, the president said very plainly that the protective policy will remain in full effect as the "national policy" of the country. "The first requisite to our prosperity," he said, "is the continuity and stability of this economic policy." This makes it clear enough where the governing party stands in regard to protection. The statement occasionally made that open-protective theories are on the wane in the republic is not borne out by the line of argument adopted by the president at any rate.

As for reciprocity, says the president, "it must be treated as the highest of protection." Again he says: "Our first duty is to see that the protection granted by the tariff in every case where it is needed is maintained and that reciprocity is granted so far as it can safely be done without injury to our home industries." The duties, he urges, "must never be reduced below the point that will cover the difference between the labor cost here and abroad."

After proclaiming the virtues of protection in this fashion, the president proceeds to discuss the necessity of enlarging the markets abroad for United States manufactures, in order that the present "level of prosperity

may be retained." This is to be accomplished by reciprocity arrangements where possible, and to "secure cheap markets," he says, "we can utilize existing duties in any case where there are no longer needed for the purpose of protection, or in any case where the article is not produced here and the duty is no longer necessary for revenue, as giving us something to offer to exchanges for what we ask. This shows how reciprocity is to be treated as the handmaid of protection. The United States will purchase such commodities as cannot be produced at home from those countries which take their manufactures. The high tariff on such commodities as must be imported, will be used to extract preferences from other countries. This is the president's idea of reciprocity. It is not a give-and-take arrangement at all. It simply amounts to saying: "We will take some things from you which we cannot produce ourselves, if you will give us certain preferences. If you not, we must do or exclude your goods."

It is evident from this statement of the case that there is not much prospect of free trade relationship between this country and the Republic. If Canadians took the same view of reciprocity, the first thing we would naturally do would be to increase our tariff to correspond with that of the United States, our tariff being now very much more favorable to that country than the United States would then be to us. The two countries would then be on an equal footing as to reciprocity of tariffs. Then we would say to the United States: "Here is a list of commodities which we cannot produce at home. We will if you will repeat your duties on Canadian manufactures of agricultural implements, vehicles, machinery, manufactures of iron and steel, etc." This sounds somewhat ridiculous. It is the view of reciprocity, as presented by the president's message.

This shows the improbability of anything being accomplished in the way of more favorable trade intercourse with the United States. It also shows the disadvantageous position which this country would occupy in any effort to negotiate a reciprocity arrangement with the United States, owing to the fact that our tariff on commodities imported from the United States is much lower than the United States tariff on such commodities as we have to offer for export to that country.

THE COAL OIL QUESTION.

The recent trouble with the quality of coal oil sold in the West has again drawn attention to the coal oil question. For many years the question of coal oil has been one of importance in Canada. Several distinct agitations have developed in connection with this commodity, covering separate phases of the matter. Coal oil prices, and oil inspection, coal oil freight rates, and oil adulteration, etc., have been debated over and over again. In several political contests coal oil has been a factor for considerable discussion. So far as the present trouble is concerned, it is probable that it has caused through a blunder in some quarter. It is not at all probable that the Standard Oil Company would knowingly supply the stuff that has been sold here for coal oil. If it would not be good business policy to do so. Every good monopolistic corporation do not disregard ordinary business principles in carrying on their enterprises. On

the other hand such corporations are generally conducted in an up-to-date business manner. The probability is, that some tanks of oil were, accidentally or through neglect on the part of employees, adulterated by the introduction of some other commodity. The company should of course hasten to make right the losses which have been caused by the delivery of this kind oil to customers, and we have the statements of the local manager that this will be done.

It is not the question of bad oil, however, that we wish to bring out at the moment. This is only an incident wherein to base an argument. The question is the great coal oil monopoly, which reaches practically all around the world. Now, if the coal oil business is to be a monopoly, why should it not be a government monopoly, or in other words, a people's monopoly, owned by and for all the people? It is claimed that we have in Canada undeveloped territories which promise to prove very valuable as producers of petroleum. Would it not be in the interests of the people that these lands should be kept out of the hands of speculators, and retained for the people. The history of the past shows that a few shrewd capitalists or political favorites have frequently stepped in and absorbed vast natural wealth which belonged rightfully not to the few, but to all the people. These favored ones have made the people in this land, allied to be ruled by the people, pay dearly for the privilege of using and for the loss of their own property. Oil is only one commodity in the list which is a natural source of wealth in this great country. If the oil business is to be a monopoly, we say again, why should not the government carry on the business for the people, and either supply the oil at cost, or use the profits in reducing taxation. The oil, as a natural source of wealth, belongs first to the people, and on this ground particularly there is force in the argument that oil lands should be reserved for the benefit of the people.

The Standard Oil Company last year sold the enormous sum of \$38,000,000 in dividends. This amount would just about pay all the expenses of carrying on our government for the year. Canada, it is claimed, has greater undeveloped natural wealth than any other country in the world. In theory therefore our people are very wealthy. In practice they are very poor to the few. If we had retained our oil territories and other great resources and developed them for the people—the rightful owners—what would have been the result? The question is too big to answer. At any rate, we would not likely have taxes to pay.

MISLEADING TRADE STATISTICS

The publication of annual trade statistics for Canada again calls attention to the absurdity of attempting to give the import and export trade of the country by provinces. Many of these figures are utterly misleading when they are taken as representing the actual trade of the different provinces. Many misleading newspaper and other articles are based on these results. Only this week a leading daily newspaper published containing an article which professed to show the export and import trade of the provinces, and the consumption per capita of the people of the different provinces. The article was of course based on a very blue book figures, and as such was utterly worthless and misleading. It is only necessary to refer to Manitoba

to show that the figures are misleading, so far as they may be taken as indicating the trade of the province. A large portion of the goods exported, as well as the goods imported into Manitoba are credited to other provinces, owing to the fact that the goods are entered at a port in the other provinces. Manitoba, the poorest inland province, makes the poorest showing, owing to the fact that her trade, as just stated, is credited to ports in the other provinces, through which our export and import trade passes. For instance, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1900, Manitoba is credited with exports of only \$3,568,675. This, of course, is absurd, so far as it is taken to represent the actual exports of the province. Those who are familiar with the trade of the province are familiar with the fact that the exports for that year were alone about four times greater than the entire exports credited to the province in the Dominion blue book. Yet newspapers take up these statistics and comment upon them as indicating the relative trade of the different provinces.

Exorbitant Freight.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 11.—Two writs were today served on the Victoria company, otherwise the Yukon and Yukon route, each claiming \$20,000 from the company on the grounds that the rates on their railway had been approved by the Dominion government as required by the Dominion Railway act. These are the actions which it was said a few days ago would be brought. The claimants are the Upper John Cleburne, both of them are shippers to points in the Yukon, and passenger. They claim the return of freight rates and passenger, relying on the claim that the rates of the company were not approved, and no section 230 of the Canadian Railway act which reads: "Every person from whom the company shall receive any unreasonably high rate of freight or amount so unjustly received shall be entitled to recover from the company times the amount so unjustly exacted."

The company has had its rates of freight and passenger rates in Victoria, in volume millions of dollars, will be representative of which are in Ottawa at present in connection with the refusal of the Dominion government to approve the tariff submitted by the company Higgins and Ellford are writing for both estimates. As stated the other day, the company contended that the rates were exorbitant, amounting about 20 cents per mile, and that these rates were a serious loss through the company's paying secret rebates to competitors.

Lake Superior Coal Stocks.

Now that the season of navigation is practically closed at Upper Lake Superior, some coal dealers are taking up the situation with regard to coal stocks of Pennsylvania coal. It is found that the amount of coal in hand is considerably short of the estimated requirements, although the cost of the water has been largely increased, and the weather is necessarily a fuel requirement and increasing also. The mild weather which has characterized the season so far has improved the situation, and a few more weeks of it will help for the winter. The reason why more coal was not carried westward this year is that one boat was so much with eastward work that it did not pay them to wait at Buffalo for the westward and most of them made the westward trip in order to quicken the dispatch of one.

A vast market calendar, giving the days of the month for the year 1902, has been received from J. L. Mettke & Co., Port Arthur.

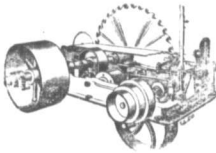
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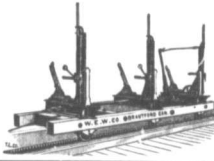


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THE GROCERY TRADE.

STARCH PRICES.

The recent advance in the prices of starch here (which was made necessary by the exceedingly high prices now ruling for corn) has put prices to the following figures: Best quality culm's corn starch, 25 to 26 per cent in various cases, according to No. 1 laundry, 53-4c. per pound; ordinary laundry, 53-4c.

GROCERY TRADE NOTES.

The tone of the sugar market in Canada is easy at unchanged prices. A London cable last week noted an advance of 1s per box on Jordan shell and almonds.

The Brazil coffee crop now growing, it is estimated, will produce 2,250,000 bags of coffee.

It is reported that the California raisin crop is being garnered and prices are higher.

The Toronto branch of the E. W. Gilbert business is being incorporated as a separate company with local stockholders.

Eastern wholesale grocery centres report an active trade moving at present and dealers are pushed to keep up supplies. The market is in particularly good demand.

Barbados advices of a late date say that dry weather is affecting the sugar cane unfavorably and the yield is badly needed. Some are already talking reduced crop of molasses and sugar next year.

It is interesting to know that the great United States baking powder trade, which has been so energetic in condemning the alum powders manufactured by independent concerns has now almost sold its alum baking powder business and will carry it on at a branch of the business.

Dry Goods Trade Notes.

Shaker flannellets are scarce at cotton goods orders having greatly exceeded the supply lately.

Canadian cotton mills report a good trade for printed goods for spring trade. Gingham and light muslin goods request and are being largely sought for by the Fancy trade.

Some Canadian woolen mills now state that the reason for so many mills being closed down is that their business is unprofitable and a multiplicity of small orders has so increased the expenses of operating that the business became unprofitable.

Dry goods merchants in the Northwest States are laying in large quantities of men's shirt waists for next summer's trade and express the opinion that the shirtwaist will be in great favor next year. Several new features have been added to the men's shirt waist, which will help to make it popular, notably an arrangement for hiding the suspender buttons. Prices are expected to range from \$1 to \$2.50 each.

There is a fair movement of silks and ribbons, says the Toronto Globe. In New York the demand for moire has increased, and its continued popularity is no longer in doubt. Manufacturers are turning out large quantities of these designs for the spring retail demand for this style promises to be very buoyant and prices are in view next spring and all printed silks that be marketable. Moire ribbons will continue to be the popular variety being, although these designs have been unprofitable for five years. Devo's ribbons are popular in favor and there is a leaning toward black and white effects. Only soft weaves are marketable and heavy ribbons are neglected. The season that is closing favored designs in print, for far as the popular and military trimmings are concerned the outlook is bright, as both foreign and domestic styles require more than a usual amount of ribbons. High grades are in especially good demand.

Hardware Trade Notes.

Admirators of linseed oil in the state of Minnesota are to be prosecuted under the law that that state has enacted, which makes various kinds of adulterated oil legal.

Aluminum nails are the latest innovation in the hardware line. They are now being hardened so that they can

be driven, and owing to their non-corrosive and non-poisonous character will be decidedly useful where there is danger of poisoning.

The Haskely Cutlery Co., Branford, Ont., have purchased the Winney mill property at that place, in which they will install machinery of a value of about \$25,000, and develop the lines of manufacture in which they are most interested, such as shears, saws, razors, hand knives, etc. Application was made for incorporation with a capital of \$250,000.

The Syracuse Smelting Works, Montreal, recently sold of pig iron, owing to the scarcity of pig iron and the large demand, prices within the last few days have advanced about five cents per pound, and the market is strong. "On the next day they again advised: "We have had another advance on pig iron of five cents per pound, making advance in all ten cents instead of five, as quoted yesterday."

It is reported that United States inventors have succeeded in producing a new kind of fuel, which is practically common to the Northwestern States and Western Canada in a highly satisfactory manner, and that this invention will shortly be in the market. The coal is entirely consumable, and there is no need of any new process. The importance of such an invention to the prairie country can hardly be overestimated.

Drug Trade Notes.

The Bole Drug Company, Limited, is distributing its almanac for 1902. This is the best yet in the series of almanacs being published, and is particularly valuable by this house and is full of useful information of all kinds for the housewife and doctor. All the usual features of a good almanac are included besides a calendar of local events extending back to the early days of this country.

"The Bole Drug Co. is introducing a new article here called the Puritan water still. This is a very simple distilling water for either family or druggist's use. The only absolutely pure distilled water is in all the many sections where the water is bad the use of distilled water would be of great conserving health. In fact a liberal use of distilled water is one of the best health preservers any one can indulge in."

Lumber Trade Notes.

J. D. McArthur is building a large shed at his new yard in Winnipeg, and is also filling up the yard with stock on a new mill.

Red cedar shingles are firming up in price at some of the coast mills. The mill of the Kewatin Lumber Co., at Kewatin, Ont., cut 15,000,000 feet this season.

The Watrous Engine Works Co. has sold the Northern Lumber Co., Ltd., the machinery for a sawmill to be erected at Garfield, Ont., replacing the one destroyed by fire some time ago.

The teams to be employed in Hanbury's logging camp in the Duck Mountains, northern Manitoba, this winter are now moving in and as soon as the snow deepens enough active operations will commence.

The British Columbia Mills, Timber and Trading Co., will probably have an office in Winnipeg at their old yard (which was sold to J. D. McArthur) on the corner of Logan and Main. After that a new office will probably be secured elsewhere in the city.

Hardwood lumber millers in the United States are being placed in line with the outlook for their industry. They report a good buying movement now in progress, and stocks in consumers' hands everywhere are light, which ensures a continuation of this movement. Prices are tending upward.

Manufacturers of white pine lumber in the Northwestern States are advancing the prices of their product for the reason, so they state, that the lumber is costing them more to produce. Logging operations have become much more expensive, and wages at mills are higher than they used to be.

Manufacturers of maple flooring in the United States held a meeting lately and discussed stocks and prices.

They found that this flooring is largely oversold, and the industry is in a very encouraging position. The question of prices will be considered at a meeting to be held this month, and it is probable that there will be an advance on some lines.

Several portable sawmills have been shipped this season by the Watrous Engine Works Co. to the Dauphin district. The most have been bought by farmers owning threshing outfits, the engines of which will be used to run the sawmills. These mills do only custom work, but a considerable quantity of lumber is manufactured by them each year.

IMPLEMENT TRADE.

IMPLEMENT DEALERS' MEETING POSTPONED.

The annual meeting of the Western Retail Implement Dealers' Association, which was to have been held in Winnipeg on the 15th, 16th and 20th of this month, has been postponed owing to the impossibility of securing a large attendance. The preliminary arrangements had been made, and the meeting had been arranged, but the intention is now to have the meeting in February during the next winter, when it is expected that many of the dealers will be in the city.

IMPLEMENT TRADE NOTES.

Some in the trade regard it as likely that canvassing for 1902 trawners will commence after Jan. 1. Importations of trawners are all running now on their orders for next year and report enough business in sight to produce a large order.

The McCormick Harvesting Machine Co. of Chicago, is enlarging its plant at Chicago by the addition of a new blacksmith shop, costing \$25,000. The company which manufactures grass twine at St. Paul and West Superior, Minn., reports a very successful season's trade and owing to pressure of business the St. Paul factory has been closed in size.

C. Studebaker, of the Studebaker Bros. Manufacturing Company, South Bend, Ind., is in the city on Nov. 27. He commenced business there in 1852 in a very small way as a blacksmith and with his brother as partner, the combined capital being \$8,000. From that beginning the business grew to its present large proportions.

The new manager of the Winnipeg branch of the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company, Mr. J. Donaldson, is now getting settled down to business here and has been meeting numerous Winnipeg friends and country customers of his company lately. Mr. Donaldson was formerly in charge of the company's business at Fargo, N. D., and is thoroughly familiar with the claims of business handled in a country like this. His predecessor here, Mr. W. A. Cavanaugh has been appointed to fill a responsible position at the company's headquarters in Chicago.

Shoe and Leather Trade Notes.

No. 1 buff hides are holding steady at 9c per pound Chicago. Some in the trade say the market is weaker. Manufacturers of shoes in the New England states are asking and getting 21-2 to 5c per pair more for some lines of shoes than last year. Salesmen are looking large orders for winter leather goods. Shipments are extremely large. Factories have orders ahead for three months.

Fair Wage.

Contracts for public works contracted under contract for the Dominion government, contain a clause providing that fair wages must be paid by the contractors. The rate of wages is fixed by the Dominion labor department, based on fair rates for the locality. It is proposed to extend this principle to make it apply to goods purchased by the government. The wages of the men engaged in making government purchases of supplies.

The London Express states authoritatively that Sir John Lubbock contemplates the imposition of a further tax of a halfpenny a pound on sugar.

Winnipeg Board of Trade.

A general meeting of the board was held on Wednesday evening. President Georson gave a verbal report of the work done by the council since the last general meeting, all of which has already been published.

The first matter of business which came up was the proposed by-laws for the board. The committee having this work in hand presented a report recommending the adoption of a charter for the board in parliament. It was explained that the general act, under which the Board of Public Works, is not broad enough to be well adapted to a large board. Reports in the large standing committees secured special charters. The board was adopted. Notice of motion was then given for the repeal of the present by-laws and substitution of new rules.

The complaint of Mr. Bethune regarding bad postal service, was referred to committee, as was also a matter relating to fire insurance.

A lengthy but somewhat informal discussion followed on the car shortage, and the crossing of the public streets by the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks in Winnipeg. The feeling regarding the Main Street crossing appeared quite strong. Finally a resolution was passed calling upon the city council to petition to protect the lives and rights of the citizens in the crossing of streets by the railway company.

Mr. Brock introduced the question of Pullman car fares in the west, complaining particularly that no reduction is made for upper berth, and that rates are excessive in the west. A resolution covering these points was adopted.

Dressed Poultry.

The poultry business offers great opportunities to the farming people of this country if they could only realize it. Outside of raising and shipping large quantities of its turkeys and other poultry to this market at prices which yield good profits to the producers there is no reason why this money should not be kept at home and added to the incomes of our own farmers. They have done so in the time and all that remains is to make a start. The birds do not require so very much attention while they are growing and if properly dressed will always bring a good price. It is here that the farmer who has experienced trouble in the poultry business in the past. They are either ignorant or careless as to the matter of dressing the birds for market and have therefore been frequently obliged to accept less than the regular market prices for the goods because they were not in saleable condition. It is to be hoped that the complaint will shortly be met by an improvement in both quality and quantity of Manitoba's poultry production.

Railway and Traffic Matters.

Officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway say that their greatest car shortage this fall has been in Ontario, where there is a large quantity of grain and other freight to be moved. The acting manager, Mr. Port William was expected to relieve the situation.

The Halifax board of trade has passed a resolution favoring the transfer of the Intercolonial Railway from the Dominion government to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The object is to secure for maritime province ports the ocean going traffic of the great Canadian railway.

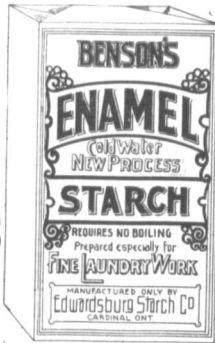
At a meeting of the directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway on Monday I. G. Ogden, the comptroller of the company, was appointed as vice-president, and G. M. Howarth, freight traffic manager, was appointed fourth vice-president and operating manager of the company. These offices are new creations.

The Philadelphia Ledger says that although the coal trade has been pushed to the utmost output the restricted transportation facilities will prevent it. It is thought that the product to Dec. 1 will reach nearly 50,000,000 tons, or 10,000,000 above 1900.

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The German reichstag has considered a customs tariff which amounts to a complete re-arrangement of the whole question, so far as the country is concerned, and in order to avoid any further discussion than any other measure since the empire was founded. One of the principal features of the discussion is a proposal to put a tax on the importation of foodstuffs. Col. Scott, collector of customs, states that the case of Somers & Co. of St. Paul, whose catalogue was detained from being distributed through the mails, has been considered by the department. Inasmuch as there was a statement on the catalogue to the effect that the firm sold only to retailers the department decided to take a lenient view of the matter and the catalogue addressed to dealers were forwarded but those addressed to the general public were returned.

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MANITOBA CROP BULLETIN.

The crop report prepared by the department of agriculture for the month of May shows that the total grain yield this year is \$3,175,858 bushels, made up as follows: Wheat, 50,502,260 bushels; oats, 27,288,045; barley, 1,636,155; flax, 298,420; rye, 231,360; peas, 136,940.

The total yield per acre was for wheat, 55.1; oats, 40.3; barley, 21.2; flax, 11.2; rye, 23; peas, 18.4.

The yield of potatoes in the province was 4,787,433 bushels; roots, 262,322. The value of the dairy products amounted to \$102,314.

The poultry disposed of during the year by farmers was as follows: Turkeys, 7,720; geese, 33,940; chickens, 205,965.

The above figures which were compiled from the returns received from the regular correspondents of the department show that Manitoba has had a phenomenal crop this year and far in advance of the general expectation earlier in the season. The crop report contains a resume of the conditions existing during the last season and points out that the municipalities in the Northwestern district had the heaviest yield, where the crops averaged 30 bushels to the acre. There was a great demand for farm laborers, and in response to the call for help 15,375 men came to Manitoba from the east and at one time from 4,000 to 5,000 men arrived in Winnipeg every day. Harvesting commenced 5,000 men could have found employment and they have in the province. Although the eastern district had the smallest grain yield, on account of most weather and heavy rains, the conditions were most favorable for planting operations and the district not only marketed the largest quantity of dairy products, but these also obtained the best average price. The hay crop was also remarkable, and the weather was all that could be desired, with the result that not only the quantity, but also the quality of native hay and cultivated grasses were away above the average.

The following is the acreage under crop to the different grains and crops: Wheat, 1,135,285; oats, 685,461; barley, 191,069; flax, 20,978; rye, 2,707; peas, 879; potatoes, 24,122; roots, 30,214.

The following figures show the crop in detail as divided into the usual districts:

District.	Wheat.			Oats.		
	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.
Northwest	116,240	20.0	5,976,000	191,840	2.0	10,796,000
Southwest	196,045	24.0	5,272,000	122,900	2.0	12,342,000
South central	131,100	28.0	3,621,000	135,085	21.0	3,214,150
Eastern	1,080,951	24.1	50,502,260			
Province	2,011,386	24.1	50,502,260			

District.	Barley.			Flax.		
	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.
Northwest	28,409	35.3	1,005,097	1,636,155	24.0	3,972,000
Southwest	46,135	33.3	1,502,005	11,200	11.2	125,000
South central	11,200	28.8	317,401			
Eastern	110,949	34.2	6,536,155			
Province	196,693	30.9	4,133,005			

District.	Rye.			Peas.		
	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.
Northwest	2,707	23.0	62,341	879	18.4	16,100
Southwest						
South central						
Eastern						
Province	2,707	23.0	62,341	879	18.4	16,100

District.	Potatoes.			Roots.		
	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.
Northwest	4,787	2.0	1,024,000	262,322	2.0	5,200,000
Southwest	191,840	2.0	10,796,000			
South central	122,900	2.0	12,342,000			
Eastern	135,085	21.0	3,214,150			
Province	478,743	2.0	5,200,000			

District.	Dairy.			Poultry.		
	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.	Area in Acres.	Total Crop.	Yield.
Northwest	1,500	281	405,500	7,720	136,940	17,720
Southwest	5,000	310	1,000,700			
South central						
Eastern						
Province	6,500	591	1,406,200	7,720	136,940	17,720

North central	1,572	206	405,312
South central	1,290	181	217,200
Eastern	2,528	285	412,440
Province	5,390	592	1,034,952

District.	Dairy Products.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	502,500	\$0.13	\$66,324.21
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
N. C.	300,000	11.8	3,540,000.00
S. C.	2,000,000	11.8	23,600,000.00
E.	778,200	15.8	12,305,640.00
Province	2,748,000	14.4	\$30,540,864.21

District.	Poultry.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	278,000	\$0.14	\$38,920.00
S. W.	1,400,000	17.08	23,912,000.00
N. C.	278,000	17.08	4,748,000.00
S. C.	2,000,000	17.08	34,160,000.00
E.	278,000	17.08	4,748,000.00
Province	4,234,000	17.08	\$72,496,920.00

District.	Cheese.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,000,000	\$0.85	\$850,000.00
S. W.	1,000,000	8.5	8,500,000.00
N. C.	1,000,000	8.5	8,500,000.00
S. C.	1,000,000	8.5	8,500,000.00
E.	1,000,000	8.5	8,500,000.00
Province	5,000,000	8.5	\$42,500,000.00

District.	Total Dairy Products.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,280,500	\$0.13	\$166,244.21
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
N. C.	300,000	11.8	3,540,000.00
S. C.	2,000,000	11.8	23,600,000.00
E.	778,200	15.8	12,305,640.00
Province	5,758,700	14.4	\$30,540,864.21

District.	New Buildings.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,000,000	\$0.13	\$130,000.00
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
N. C.	300,000	11.8	3,540,000.00
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District.	Land Prepared for Crop of 1902.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,000,000	\$0.13	\$130,000.00
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
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District.	Hay.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,000,000	\$0.13	\$130,000.00
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
N. C.	300,000	11.8	3,540,000.00
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District.	Summer Fall.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,000,000	\$0.13	\$130,000.00
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
N. C.	300,000	11.8	3,540,000.00
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District.	Native Cultivated.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,000,000	\$0.13	\$130,000.00
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
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District.	Live Stock in Province.		
	Quantity.	Value.	Total.
N. W.	1,000,000	\$0.13	\$130,000.00
S. W.	1,400,000	14.0	1,960,000.00
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A. Thompson is opening a butcher shop at Edraun.
D. Hutchart is opening a butcher shop at Hartney.
B. A. Rose, baker, MacGregor, has sold out to Jas. Pierce.
M. J. McGregor has taken over the Edinboro hotel at Virden.

F. W. Breen has sold his general store at Lehigh to Mr. Clifton.
K. D. Barr has bought the grocery business of Calloun & Co. Neepawa.

W. Ross & Cogan are closing out their general store business at Ekinburg.

Hopper & Kennedy have sold out the general store at Neepawa to A. E. Frosdick.
W. Ross & Richman have bought out the fruit and confectionery business of W. Green, at Neepawa.

The Manitoba Poultry Association are making arrangements for their show to be held next February.

G. Clifton & Co., flour and feed merchants at Winnipeg, expect to move next week into their new premises on King street.

The stock of W. A. Carruthers, grocer, at Winnipeg, was sold this week to A. Bell, at 10c to 14c on the dollar, and the book debts to different buyers at a large per cent.

Supt. Wm. Parker, of the Dominion Fish hatchery, Windsor, Ont., has arrived in Winnipeg with a large consignment of white fish eggs for the government hatchery.

Winter fishing in the lakes of New Brunswick is now in progress, and so far the catch has been good. One cent per pound is being paid for rockfish, and two for trout.

The municipality of Minotota is taking steps toward the erection of a new bridge across the Assiniboine. It is estimated to cost \$100,000, and cost in the neighborhood of \$4,000.

The Hudson's Bay Company has five branches in the Dominion government money order department, in its big retail stores at Winnipeg, also a branch of the Dominion savings bank.

Gordon, Ironside & Pares have purchased from William R. Perrin & Co., of Winnipeg, a large press and also a complete lard refinery, which they are adding to their abattoir plant near the river.

W. R. McArthur, warehouse manager for the Stobart Company, was presented with a gold-headed cane with an address last week, on the occasion of his leaving the company's employ.

The Portage la Prairie council for next year will be as follows: Mayor, W. J. Cooper; councillors, A. Ogilvie, Geo. Anderson, W. T. Charlton, A. Craddock, D. S. MacDonald, and D. S. Lyon.

The stock, book debts, and fixtures of the Scarborough Wall Paper Company, Limited, Winnipeg, will be sold at auction on the 23rd inst., by the firm of The Winnipeg Real Estate Trusts Company. The estimated value of these assets is \$3,304.91.

The Northern Iron Works Co., which has started a foundry at Winnipeg this year, have their plant now in good running shape. They do all kinds of iron and brass work, and will doubtless prove an important addition to the industries of Winnipeg.

Wm. G. Gordon, Ironside & Pares, cattle exporters, Winnipeg, has been converted into a limited company with a capital of \$100,000. The officers are: J. T. Gordon, president; W. H. Pares, vice-president; George Gordon, secretary-manager. A canning department will be added, and a cold storage warehouse established at Montserrat.

On Wednesday, at the Winnipeg police court, a farmer named Gray, from the vicinity of Weyburn, Assn., was charged with endeavoring to perpetrate a fraud upon the Winnipeg Elevator Company, and also with forgery. Accused for the name of the elevator company's buyer at Weyburn to a wheat receipt, and attempted to collect the money at Winnipeg.

At a meeting of the Winnipeg market, license and health committee this week, a constitution for the city bakers appeared to protest against the clause in the proposed new-by-law to require them to stamp their wafers with all bakes. They contended that it

would be impossible owing to the large variety of fancy bread made. The matter was referred to a sub-committee.

J. J. McAllister & Watts, wholesale stationers, Winnipeg, have experienced an exceptionally heavy demand for their special lines of wrapping papers during the past year. Stocks were ordered by them for the fall and winter trade more liberally than ever before, but in spite of this their lines are very much depleted already, and some sizes are entirely exhausted. It is estimated that the magnitude of the trade which has been moving at Manitoba retail stores this season.

This week at the Winnipeg court house before Mr. Justice Bain an application was made for an order to wind up the Winnipeg Trunk and Box Company, Limited. The petition was presented by J. D. McArthur, contractor, a creditor for over \$600; he alleges the company is insolvent and has made an assignment to W. Pettigrew; he also asks that in the investigation be made into the affairs of the company, also an inquiry as to the petition made under the provisions of the bill of the shareholders, and how the insolvency came about.

The Hudson's Bay Company has installed in its Winnipeg stores, the latest and most improved electric lighting and motor to the electric lighting plant in its Winnipeg stores. This makes use of the same company and lighting machines which the company has now in use in its stores here and the number of lights supplied from them is equal to those in use in a good sized town. It may be said in this connection that the company's power and lighting plant here is one of the newest and most serviceable in the Dominion where modern changes and improvements now being made are completed there will be no haphazard machinery room to be seen in the city than this.

ASSINIBOIA.

A. T. Davis is opening a clothing and shoe store in Arcadia.

ALBERTA.

Prince Ross has erected a large flour mill at Battledore.

H. D. Farris, implement dealer at Wetaskiwin, has added a stock of flour and feed.

P. Neill and P. Cuniffe have taken over the general store business of Holmes at Star.

Reports from among the Edmonton line states that farmers are meeting their notes very promptly this season.

Customs receipts at the port of Montserrat for November were \$20,580.10; seizure, \$1,000; total, \$21,580.10.

The Alberta Railway and Coal Company's bridge spanning Mills river near the United States boundary line was destroyed by fire last Saturday.

The managers of the Gold Creek collieries are applying for incorporation for their company and for a charter to build a railroad from Frank to their property.

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO.

S. Harriette has opened a general store in Fort Frances.

On request of the Muskawita Iron Mining Co., the Fort William council has recommended that the legislature grant an extension of time of the agreement which included the building of an iron and copper smelter at Fort William.

Insurance Notes.

The Home Life Association has purchased the "Freehold" building, Ottawa, for office purposes and as an investment.

The Mutual Life of New York, is the first life company in the world to pass the million dollar mark. Its total income having reached and passed this stupendous amount. These figures are so vast that they are beyond comprehension. It exceeds the entire National Bank capital of the United States.

On Thursday, in the Manitoba courts, Chief Justice Killam proceeded to hear the case of the wafers of Manitoba Assurance Co., similar in many respects to Whittia vs. Royal Assurance Co., heard on Tuesday last.

The action was on a policy taken out in the Manitoba Assurance Co. on the stock owned by P. Bourque, which carried on a store at AKAMAT. Defendants contended their liability on the ground that the policy was void because Bourque had an insurance in the Royal on the same stock, of which he did not give defendants notice, as he should have done, they therefore cancelled the policy and paid the underwriters the premium. Mr. Justice Killam, K. C., and Mr. H. W. Whittia for the plaintiffs, Mr. Tupper, K. C., and Mr. Philpott for defendants. Judgment reserved.

FINANCIAL.

WINNIPEG BANK CLEARINGS.

Returns for the Winnipeg Clearing House for the week ending Thursday, show as follows:

Week ending Dec 12, 1901	\$2,820,380
Corresponding week, 1900	2,761,014
Corresponding week, 1899	2,933,358

The monthly totals are as follows:

Dec 1, 1901	1,860,477
Jan. 1902	1,906,977
Feb.	1,718,276
Mar.	1,783,002
Apr.	1,763,241
May	1,849,810
June	1,847,988
July	1,912,185
Aug.	1,921,705
Sept.	1,874,805
Oct.	1,817,885
Nov.	2,162,461
Dec.	1,864,822
Totals	\$106,956,792

THE MONEY MARKET.

Banks report a very heavy demand for money, mostly from the grain trade and available funds are fully employed. Interest rates for ordinary mercantile accounts hold steady at 6 to 7 per cent. Grain trade rates are lower than these figures where large bills of money are concerned. Mortgage companies report rates steady at 6 to 7 per cent for city property and 7 to 8 for farm loans.

NEW FINANCIAL CORPORATION.

The Toronto General Trusts Corporation will establish a branch in Winnipeg shortly. The corporation has entered into an agreement with the Winnipeg General Trusts Co., whereby the latter company will be absorbed by the Toronto corporation. Application will be made at the next session of the Manitoba legislature for an act to confirm this agreement, and also to empower the General Trusts Company to carry on the same business in Manitoba that it is now doing in Ontario.

BANK OF COMMERCE STATEMENT.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—The Canada Bank of Commerce issued its general statement today, covering six months to Nov. 30, the shareholders at the last annual meeting having consented to close the date of the annual meeting, which necessitates a change of the books Nov. 30 each year. The earnings were the largest in the history for a similar period, and were \$177,055, dividends take \$290,000, and after transferring \$200,000 bank premises and pension fund \$131,000 is added to the balance of profit on a loan. The circulation has reached \$7,296,249, within about a million dollars of the circulation of the Bank of Montreal. The public deposits have grown to \$51,619,365.

FINANCIAL NOTES.

A Toronto solicitor gives notice of application at the next sitting of the Dominion house for a charter to incorporate another bank. The proposed name and other particulars are not given.

The Canada Cycle and Motor Company did not do so well as was hoped for at its annual meeting of last week if telegraphic reports are to be relied upon. The report of the directors shows that during the year two half yearly dividends totalling \$175,000 were paid, while the trading account for the year showed a profit of but \$2,033.28. The paying of \$175,000 dividends wiped out the reserve account of \$25,000, the annual dividend account carried forward from 1900 of \$74,143.43 less \$1,543 written off or set off to bear the cost of the year 1901 of \$2,033.28, and left a deficit of \$126,086.58. Investors who have been depending at the persistent declines

of this stock in the market now have the reason before them.

British Columbia Notes.

John Montgomery, grocer, Vancouver, has sold out to G. Allen.

There are 218 bristlers and solicitors practicing in British Columbia.

H. H. Playford & Co., tobacconists, of Nelson, have assigned.

H. C. Foster has opened a harness shop in New Westminster.

Building permits to the extent of \$102,675 were issued during the month of November in Vancouver.

John McTae is opening a general store and hotel at Harper's camp in the Cariboo district.

Samuel Adler will start a general store and forwarding business at the head of Horsely lake, in the Cariboo district.

The city of Nelson is going in for municipal ownership and will own their own electric power, which is furnished by the Bonington Falls.

The customs returns for the port of New Westminster for November show that the imports amounted to \$35,767 and imports \$1,240,883.

The following companies have been incorporated: The Pacific Barge Co., capital \$15,000; the West Coast capital \$100,000, and the West Coast Timber Co., capital \$25,000.

The following have been registered as extra-provincial companies: The Pacific Steel Co. of Jersey City, N. J.; The Patulous Dredging Co. of Ltd., of Glasgow, capital \$5,000, which is liquidating; The West Mining Co. of Spokane, capital \$250,000.

The customs returns for the month of November at Victoria amounted to \$231,127, of which amount \$100,000 of the dutiable imports was \$186,195, and the free imports \$44,632.

Total collections at the inland revenue department during the month of November amounted to \$162,962.86, which is about \$600 over that of November last year.

The deputy minister of labor has returned from Rossland, after a successful attempt to settle the strike. The reasons for the failure are given as follows: The Western Federation of Miners has determined not to give in, no matter what may cost. The mine owners are equally determined not to yield to the demands of the union, and the union for such a powerful one, has no capital back of it, and has handled this strike in such a manner, that they are able to hold out for years yet if necessary.

Railway and Traffic Matters.

It is announced that the C. P. R. will build a line of railway next spring which will give it direct connection with a winter port on the Atlantic seaboard. The new line will cross the state of Maine.

In connection with the present western terminus of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway with Hope, on the main line of the Canadian Pacific, a survey line of the survey party is reported to have stated that the summit is overcome through the mountains, a distance of 4,000 feet above sea level, that the grade on both sides will be 2½ per cent, and that there are no great obstacles to be overcome, and that the distance from Hope to Princeton by this line is 77 miles. The route of the Nicolaus Creek from Hope to Princeton is 65 miles, but is impracticable for any purpose, and a distance of 5,000 feet having to be overcome.

Edmonton Oat Market.

Deliveries of oats are improving every day, but are not yet anywhere near what they were up to Tuesday last, although the market is fully up to its highest mark. To-day's buyers quote 21c and 27c in Edmonton and 27c and 28c in Strathcona, and there are reports of up to 28c and over being paid in Edmonton. That, however, is above the average of to-day.—Edmonton Bulletin, Dec. 9.

Failures for the week in Canada were seventeen against a twenty-six for same week of last year.

Amalgamated copper fluctuated feverishly during the announcement and the open out in the price of raw copper. Campbell & Co., general merchants, Makinak, have dissolved partnership. The business will be carried on by Campbell Bros., under the firm name of Campbell & Co.

calf, same price as hider; desks, 25 to 40; slunks, 6 to 10c; horse hides, 50c to \$1.00.

TALLOW—The local price for tallow is 4½ to 5c per pound.

CATTLE (HOPT)—The root market is practically closed now for the season as about all the root in sight has been bought and there are no transactions upon which to base quotations. Holders of root here are very firm in their views and could readily take care of any additional lots which might come in from the country at full market values.

LIVE STOCK

CATTLE—The last shipment of export cattle has now been made and local butchers have the market to themselves. They are paying good prices for all offerings, notwithstanding the poor quality and have advanced the top quotation this week to 4c per pound for best cattle weight of cars here. This is 1-2c better than last week's price. Common stock is worth from 3c to 3 1/2c. Cattle are scarce.

SHEEP—Market nominal at 4c per pound for best mutton sheep. Lambs are worth 6c.

HOGS—The market is easier, although receipts have not increased materially. We note a reduction of 1-4c per pound since last Saturday. Packers are now paying for best weights, averaging from 150 to 250 pounds, 1-1-4c weighed off cars, and for lights and heavies, 1-2-4c.

MILK COWS—Only a very few milk cows are offering and the market ranges from \$20 to \$15 per head, according to quality.

HORSES—There is some demand for horses for bush work, which is being supplied with Ontario stock. Values are very firm.

MINING MATTERS.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

During last week 200 tons of ore were shipped from Sandon.

A rich strike is reported on the Arlington mine, in the Slocan.

Total ore shipments from the Boundary district for November amounted to 2,115 tons.

During the week ending Saturday last the Granby Smelter at Grand Forks treated 4,000 tons of ore.

The ore shipments from November from Sandon amounted to 1,076 tons which showed a slight falling off from the previous month.

It is reported that the Chapleau Mining Co. will erect a refinery in the spring for treating the ores from the different smelters.

Eight carloads of ore shipped from the Winnipeg mine. Boundary district, during November, yielded \$1,850 over freight and treatment charges.

Work has been commenced on a smelter at Osborne Bay, on the east coast of Vancouver Island, to treat ore from the Lenora mine, on Mount Sicker.

The Granby and Mother Lode smelters, in the Boundary district, are doubling their capacity, and there is talk of another smelter being erected.

It is announced that a second smelter is to be erected on the east coast of Vancouver Island, probably at Ladysmith, to treat the ores of the Tye mine on Mount Sicker.

The Neepawa group, in the Slocan, has been bonded by English capital, and development work has been commenced. A considerable amount of work has already been done on this property.

Several of the prominent mining men in British Columbia give it as their opinion that there are considerable quantities of platinum to be found in British Columbia and the Yukon, and it is understood that a search of the platinum resources will be made by the Dominion government.

At the annual meeting of the Black Creek Gold Mines Ltd. it was stated that negotiations were in progress looking to the resumption of work on the property, which is one of the best known in the Ymir district. Already one hundred tons of ore of high grade have been shipped; the outcrop ore on the surface is one of the best found in the district, and in the opinion of mining men who have visited

the property it is only a question of time and money before the Black Creek will develop into one of the large mines of the district.

A strike of miners employed in 426 coal mines at South Westport, Vancouver Island, was settled last week by Mackenzie King, Dominion deputy minister of labor, who is now in British Columbia looking into the various labor problems of that province. The latest problem was in the Alexandra mines and 200 men were on strike. The question was one of union recognition and terms of contract. The strike commenced on Monday and was threatening to spread to all the mines of the Wellington Colliery Company. Mr. King was telegraphed for and on arrival succeeded in arranging the matter.

The company which bonded the property of the Similkameen Valley Coal Co. has now taken up the bond and intent pushing development work. There are large deposits of coal in the Similkameen valley which are said by experts to be more promising than the Crow's Nest fields at a similar stage of development. An experienced mining engineer makes the following report: "I spent a month in examining the coal measures of the Similkameen coal basin, between Princeton and Copper Mountain. These deposits are ten times as extensive as those of the famous Wellington section. The upper seams are semi-bituminous, the middle bituminous, and the lower semi-anthracite coal. The seams vary in thickness from five to nine feet, and are of about the right thickness for convenient and economical working. As to these coal areas immense deposits of low grade copper ore have been found as well as gold, silver and lead ore."

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO.
A great discovery of red hematite iron ore is reported at Sheep Creek, on the new Canadian Northern line to Lake Superior.

A wire from Fort William on Monday said: B. W. Folger, of Kingston, prepared to open the "Big Top" copper mine, and will ask the town of Fort William for an extension of two years of the by-law passed granting a bonus for a smelter.

A daily paper report says: It is probable that the Sorembile mine at Rat Portage will shortly be purchased by a New York syndicate. J. G. Harbath, of that city, who has recently visited Winnipeg, took a trip to Rat Portage and looked over the property.

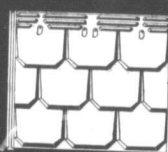
He was very much pleased with the prospect, and is now negotiating for the purchase of the mine.

The Glasgow exhibition authorities announce a surplus, after meeting all liabilities, of nearly £3,000,000, just about the amount of the shortage on the Pan-American. The total attendance at the Glasgow show was 11,000,000. Judging from these figures the smart Yankee may still learn a few things from his British cousin about the business of conducting exhibitions so as to make them profitable.

Spicer & Co., of Dauphin, Man., have taken in J. Banning as a partner and will add groceries.

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Statistical Wheat Report.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Toronto	35,000
Ottawa	35,000
Quebec	27,000
Port Huron, Ont.	30,000
Kingston	30,000
St. Williams, Port Arthur and Keewatin	1,634,000
Winnipeg	270,000
Manitoba elevators	3,700,000

Total Nov. 30, 1901.....12,015,000
Total previous week.....11,917,000
Total a year ago.....10,100,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.
Total stocks in the United States and Canada, west of the Rocky Mountains, were reported by Bradstreet's Nov. 30, as 80,561,000 bushels, as against 80,011,000 bushels for the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States, and Canada a year ago were 80,500,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on Dec. 1, were 725,000 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ending Dec. 7, was 2,250,000 bushels, being an increase of 2,840,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 6,480,000 bushels, two years ago 5,252,000 bushels, three years ago 25,735,000 bushels, four years ago 34,154,000 bushels, five years ago 34,284,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND COHN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 6,410,000 bushels, compared with 6,825,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 10,550,000 bushels, compared with 8,500,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

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

Year	Bushels
1901	100,000,000
1900	100,000,000
1899	100,000,000
1898	100,000,000
1897	111,000,000
1896	100,000,000
1895	115,000,000

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

The following table shows the receipts of wheat at the port principal United States export wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, August 1, 1901, to late, compared with the same period of last year.

Year	This crop.	Last crop.
Manitoba	2,000,000	2,000,000
Minnesota	4,000,000	4,000,000
Duluth	25,000,000	25,000,000
Chicago	2,000,000	2,000,000

Total.....107,401,913 76,901,902

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, 1901, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

Year	This crop.	Last crop.
Toledo	5,042,000	6,874,000
St. Louis	12,727,148	11,194,000
Detroit	2,184,909	1,905,000
Kansas City	14,880,754	24,451,417

Total.....35,412,822 47,515,187

The Wheat Movement.

The wheat movement has kept up a large scale this week. On Monday there were 549 cars of grain inspected, of which 484 were wheat. On Tuesday 442 wheat, Wednesday, 286 cars, and Thursday 334 cars. The severe weather which set in toward the end of the week will operate to check the movement.

Hold the Wheat.

It would probably be a wise thing for the farmers to stop marketing wheat for a while until they get into a position to hold. Many of the elevators are full, and grain men are carrying heavy loads necessitating straining of financial resources in some cases. Under these circumstances dealers are not inclined to purchase wheat, unless they can buy it at moderate prices. Farmers who hold will probably get better prices for their wheat (if in the meantime prices do not decline in the world's market), by keeping it until the present heavy pressure is relieved.

The Eureka Planter Company, of Windsor, Ontario, has received a charter and will commence the manufacture of garden implements immediately. This will be the first factory of the kind in Canada.

Grain and Milling Notes.

Threshing is still in progress in the Grenfell district, Amelroba, and it is estimated that a little more than half of the grain is threshed. Only about 25 per cent. has been marketed as the elevator capacity is limited. W. R. MacLachlan, assistant general freight traffic manager, states that no change will be made this year in the rail freight rate to the seaboard. The rate this year for Fort William will be 2c per 100 pounds on flour and wheat to New York.

Wheat was strong last week. The cereal advanced 5-8 cents at Chicago Thursday, as shown by The Commercial reports for that week. This advance in leading centers neutralized to a considerable extent the usual drop in interior markets at the close of navigation.

The present big crop indicates the need of additional grain storage capacity at our Lake Superior ports. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has four elevators at Fort William and one at Port Arthur, with an aggregate capacity of 5,000,000 bushels. The new Canadian Northern Railway Company is erecting an elevator at Port Arthur, with a capacity of 1,500,000 bushels. The total grain storage at those ports up to 7,000,000 bushels. This, however, will not be equal to the requirements of the present crop. As the grain crop of Manitoba and the Territories will keep on increasing for many years to come, it is evident that much greater storage space will be required at our lake ports.

Lake Navigation Closed.

Navigation practically closed at Fort William on Dec. 6, on which date the last boats cleared with wheat. A couple of boats which had not yet got loaded in time to clear before the insurance term expired, will remain for the winter and earn storage by taking on a load of wheat. Navigation closed with practically empty elevators at Port William. There was no trouble with ice at Port William up to the end of this week, so that so far as the weather is concerned, boats could have kept moving for several days later. The expiry of the insurance term, and the cold weather, were sufficient to stop the business for this season. The cold weather which set in at the end of this week will no doubt close the harbors with ice.

Manitoba Wheat Stocks.

There were 274,921 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on Dec. 7. Receipts for the week were 1,186,706, and shipments 1,835,201. A year's stocks in store at Fort William will be 1,138,000. Two years ago there were 1,822,000 bushels. Stocks in store at Port William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior points are estimated approximately 11,400,000 bushels compared with 4,850,000 bushels a year ago, and 7,800,000 bushels two years ago, and 6,730,000 bushels three years ago.

Winnipeg Grain Inspection.

During the week ending December 7 there were inspected at Winnipeg and Emerson 596 cars of grain, comprising the following:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 234 cars. No. 1 northern, 750 cars; No. 2 northern, 1,140 cars; No. 3 northern, 40 cars; rejected No. 1, 4 cars; rejected No. 2, 5 cars; feed, no grade, 55; condemned, 2 cars; total, 2,403 cars.
Oats—No. 1 white, 1 car. No. 2 white, 131 cars; no grade, 55; rejected, 6 cars; feed, 29 cars; no grade, 0 cars.
Barley—No. 3 cars; feed, 2 cars.
Flax—No. 1, 2 cars; No. 2, 8 cars.
A year ago the total number of cars inspected was 763, of which 19 were No. 1 hard wheat.

Weather and Crops.

The weather continued mild until Thursday of this week, when the temperature began to drop, and Thursday night a very low temperature was reached. Yesterday the weather continued very severe. The sudden drop, after a long spell of mild weather, will probably result in dropping operations. If it continues cold, the machines will be laid up until spring.

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this date last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard closed at 70 1/2c in store Fort William.
Flour—clubbing price per sack: Patent, \$2.10; best bakers, \$1.95.
Corn—high grade, \$1.00 per ton; shorts, \$1.00 per ton on track, 300/35c, according to quality.
Barley—34/50c per bushel for cars of best grades on track meeting barley, 28 1/2c 40c.
Corn—in car lots, 45 1/2c per bushel of 50 lbs.
Butter—Dairy, 15 1/2c per lb.; creamery, 20c per lb. at the factories.
Cheese—15 1/2c in a jobbing way.
Down—15c for Manitoba fresh, less export duties.
Potatoes—Farmers' load on the street, 40c per bushel.
Hog—50c for city dressed; country, 44 1/2c per lb.
Poultry—Dressed chickens, 70c; ducks, dressed, 85c; geese, 85c; turkeys, dressed 100c.
Game—Wild ducks, 25 1/2c 30c per pair; rabbits, 10c each.
Hides—6c for frozen stock, less 5 lbs. tare.
Wool—60/50c for unwashed fleece.
Sewer Root—30/50c.
Hemp—100 lbs. \$12.50 per ton on cars.
Live Stock—Cattle, 25 1/2c 30c; sheep, 40c 45c; hogs, 5c.

A New Musical Instrument.

O. M. Hatcher, of Forrester & Hatcher, returned to Winnipeg this week from a trip to the south and east. While on his trip he made arrangements to handle the Apollo piano player, manufacturer, of Chicago. This is the latest thing out in the piano line and overcomes difficulties that others have labored under. The expression and time are governed by separate arrangement, and any note or set of notes can be emphasized at will without changing the lever or interfering with any other part of the instrument. An exclusive feature of the Apollo is that any music can be transposed through a range of five keys, thus if the music is written either too high or too low it can be written at the wish of the player or singer. Forrester & Hatcher are agents for the Ducharme piano of Minneapolis, the Weber piano of New York, the Williams piano of Toronto, the Chickering, of Berlin, Ont., and the Bush & Goerts, of Chicago. In organs, the Godechick, Deberny and Berlin are handled.

Tenders for fuel are being called for by the department of public works, Winnipeg, up to noon of Dec. 13th.

The new Australian Commonwealth is in the thick of a tariff fight which is putting the principle of protection strictly on the defensive, and so far it looks as if the free traders and low tariff exponents had decidedly the best of the argument, although, of course, they are numerically in the minority, and will not succeed in actually reducing the tariff which is already partly adopted by the federal parliament. The leader of the low tariff forces is H. Reid, for many years premier of New South Wales, which colony still adheres to the low tariff traditions. Victoria colony is at the head of the high tariff forces. Mr. Reid recently addressed a meeting in the capital of Victoria, in which he scored signally in favor of his tariff theories.

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A wire from West Superior, Wis., on Tuesday said: Navigation at the head of the lakes has ceased. The last boats have left the harbor. One of the Norwegian, loaded with lumber, and other, the Sacramento, with a cargo of grain for Buffalo. Several more steel hull boats are expected to arrive. These will be the last and they will winter here, making a fleet of about thirty boats that will spend the winter in the slips at the wharves.

It is a matter of not unreasonable surprise in Great Britain that Germany has practically monopolized the manufacture of Union Jacks. This is sarcasm with a sting, but there is not yet. It has come to light that the enterprising Teuton has gone into the coronation medal business, and is already shipping the same to all parts of the British empire for the historic event of 1902. The old time Birmingham medalist is left in the cold, as he cannot compete with German prices. These facts are bones in the throat that have to be swallowed. The question suggests itself as to how it is that the Briton can be so cleverly outwitted even in his own backyard. If "made in Germany" is becoming a national nightmare, it is time for the sleeper to wake up.—The Age of Steel.

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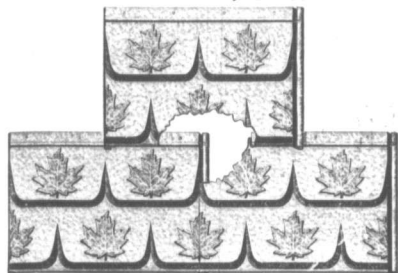
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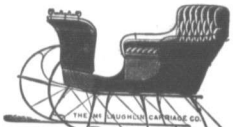
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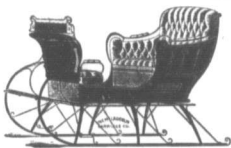
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The Canadian Papermakers' Association decided last week to advance the price of news print paper five per cent, owing to increased cost of pulp and other materials. Pulp is said to have gone up \$3 per ton, the reason for which is low water in the rivers of Eastern Canada, which makes it more difficult to get pulp-wood to the mills.

Alberta Oats.

An unfortunate situation has arisen in connection with Alberta oats. The principal crop of that section is oats. The oat crop of Northern Alberta corresponds in importance to wheat in Manitoba. This year an enormous yield of oats has been produced in that region, and the high price prevailing for oats all over the continent made buyers very anxious to purchase the grain. As soon as the season prices were rapidly advanced, competition among buyers for an additional quantity owing to the peculiar conditions for a large quantity of oats for shipment to British America. The oats appeared to be of fine quality, but weighed out extra heavy. In the fine shipments were made and the oats began to arrive at Winnipeg and other points. They were purchased by millers and a test showed that the meal produced therefrom was black. An examination showed that they were frosted. Some of these oats, on arrival at Winnipeg, were graded No. 2 by the government inspector, but when the damage was discovered, the purchaser notified the inspector that he would not be responsible for the loss occasioned by wrongful grading.

In appearance the oats were fully up to the requirements of the grade as defined by the inspection act, but being damaged they could not be graded. Even No. 3 grade must be "sound," and as these oats were damaged by frost they could not be graded even as No. 3. The only plan left was to grade them as "feed" or make special grades to meet the peculiarities. The grain standards board therefore decided to make two special grades for Alberta oats, as follows: "feed" or "rejected." This is the same plan that has been adopted with the Manitoba wheat crop in years when the crop was damaged by frost. These special grades were given in The Commercial last week.

The result of this damage is to exclude these oats from use for milling purposes, so that they cannot now bring the high price paid for milling oats. For other purposes, however, they will be found excellent, and in plumpness and weight not measured by weight, they exceed the quality of this crop. We do not know to what extent the crop is damaged. Possibly a considerable portion of the crop is not affected, and sound grain should be kept separate from damaged stuff, so that it can be available for milling purposes.

Prices, of course, have been affected by the shipment of the damaged oats. Buyers of Northern Alberta points were obliged to reduce prices when the oats reached outside markets, and the damage was discovered. While the frosted oats have lost the high price which they would otherwise have brought for milling purposes, they will nevertheless bring a higher price for other purposes, and the crop will undoubtedly prove very remunerative to the farmers. As the oats are mainly used for animal feed, the damage from frost is not nearly so serious to the grower as it might be in the case of wheat.

The Commercial makes this statement of nine feet of snow, with reasonable charges having been made by parties who actively do not understand the matter, particularly as regard to the working of the grade and the striking of special grade by the standards board. This has been the custom followed for years, and it is the only way out of the difficulty as provided by law. The grade and standards board and inspection officials have acted strictly according to law, and the most interest of all concerned. Damaged oats could not, according to law, be graded as other No. 1, 2 or 3. If they were so graded then would be responsible to the purchaser for any loss incurred by such wrongful grading.

Frequent breaks in the wires connect to mar the usefulness of the new government telegraph line to the Yukon. The wires have been down a number of points lately, owing to weight of snow and sleet on the wires. When the colder winter weather sets in the trouble will, to a large extent, cease.

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