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WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 25, 1883.

SHORE & Co., botel, Troy, have dissolved.

D. LITTLE, hotel, Stoney Mountain, has assigned in trust.

T. A. Gadbois has been appointed postmaster at Rat Portage.

W H. KEEFER of the Board of Trade Hotel is reported away.

H. McKellar, commission agent, Clearwater, has removed to Rowland.

REGINA merchants now close their places of business at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

THE drug stock of J. F. Rolls, Winnipeg, is to be offered for sale by tender.

DR. McConnell & W. G. McLAREN have opened a drug store at Manitou.

A New post office has been opened at Richland with Mr. Rice as postmaster.

W. A. MORKILL is now running a daily stage between Emerson and Dominion City.

IN Prince Albert wheat is worth 75c to \$1: 1 oats 65c, and potatoes 75c per bushel.

THE sheriff is in possession of the dry goods and grocery business of C. Prince Lorette.

THE Regina Leader and Selkirk Herald have been reduced in size for the winter months.

D. Ripstein & Bros., groceries and liquors, Winnipeg, offer to compromise at 25c on the

WALTON & BIRD, hardware, Emerson, have compromised with their creditors at 75c on the dollar.

THE dry goods stock belonging to the insolvent estate of H. Holmes is to be sold by the assignee.

WM. McAllister, general store, Wolseley, who assigned last week, offers his creditors 60c on the dollar.

McDowell & Levens, printers, Winnipeg, have dissolved. The business will be continued by J. B. McDowell.

THE November statement of the Post Office Savings Bank shows an increase of deposits over October of \$122,700.

GLADSTONE merchants have agreed that after lst of January they will sell only on a cash basis, or farm produce equivalent.

THE municipality of Russel has passed a bylaw granting a bonus of \$70,000 to the Manitoba & Northwestern Railway Company.

THE Merchant's Bank has closed its agency at Regina. The business has been transferred to the agency of the Bank of Montreal.

FARMERS in the neighborhood of Rapid City are organizing a joint stock company with a capital of \$50,000 to build flouring mills.

Business in Emerson is reported as picking up percentibly, and affairs about the town are beginning to assume an old time appearance.

A FIRE brigade has been organized at Rat Portage with Wm. Matheson as chief; Messrs. Hose & Claus, deputy chiefs, and A. Matheson, secretary.

FARMERS in the municipality of Plympton have formed a joint stock company with a capital of \$12,000, in 6,000 shares of \$20 each, to build a mill.

THE stock belonging to the insolvent estate of McTaggart & Scott, Souris City, together with book debts, buildings, etc., has been sold at 35c on the dollar. Mr. McGilvery was the purchaser.

THE Saskatchewan Coal Mining Company now turns out about 200 tons of coal per day. They have been greatly hindered in their operations by the strike, about 100 car loads now awaiting shipment.

DONALD A. SMITH, George Stephen, and others, have been incorporated under the title of the Thunder Bay Land and Mining Company for the purpose of acquiring land, mining, etc., in the Thunder Bay district. The capital stock is forty thousand dollars of one dollar each share.

Work on the Canadian Pacific, on the north shore of Lake Superior, is progressing rapidly. The telefiraph line will be extended between Sudbury Junction and Port Arthur next spring, thus completing the connection. Work around Lake Superior is said to be not so difficult 20 had been anticipated.

BAKER & Co., general store, Rat Portage, have assigned in trust. They estimate thei: loss by the recent fire at \$18,800. They were insured for \$6,900, of which \$2,500 is in the semi-defunct Standard of Hamilton. They have made an offer to the creditors of 41c on the dollar, payable in three, six, nine, and twelve months.

DURING the week ending Dec. 15th, there were reported to Bradstreets 249 failures in the United States, 3 more than the preceding week, 19 more than the corresponding week of 1882, and \$4 more than the same week of 1881. About 73 per cent, were those of small traders whose capital was under \$5,000. Canada had 32 failures, a decrease of one.

NEELANDS & Co. have secured the premises formerly occupied by Ryan's boot and shoo store, and are having it fitted up as a drug store and expect to open in a few days. When all the internal arrangements are completed this will be one oi the handsomest drug stores in the city. The managing partner of the firm is Mr. Neclands, formerly of the firm of Rolls & Neclands.

Business East.

Thos. J. Eest, hotel, Toronto, has sold out. Thomas G. Legalle, Essex Centre, has sold out.

C. Patrick, Grocer, Galt, has assigned in trust.

J. B. Loughram, shoes, Ottawa, has assigned in trust.

Miss N. F. Cook, milliner, Toronto, has closed up.

James Sutherland, grain dealer, Owen Sound, has assigned.

George Elmwood, shoes, Caledonia, has assigned in trust.

Jos. Campton, hotel, Toronto, has sold out to Wm. Kennedy.

Win. Kennedy has sold out his livery business in Toronto.

James Johnston, hats, etc., Toronto, has assigned in trust.

Gosnell & Sutherland, general store, Westgate, have assigned.

T. P. Blackwell, grocer, London, is in the hands of the sheriff.

George Haskins, hotel, Toronto, has sold out to a man named Hancock.

Kelly & Gillespie, tins, etc., Orangeville, have dissolved. Joseph Kelly continues the business.

Peter McSweyne, tailor, Woodville, has assigned in trust and is offering his creditors 50: on the dollar.

Jones & Vanderpool, agricultural implement agents, Toronto, have dissolved. E. Jones continues alone.

Askew & Minns, grist and saw mill, Leamington, have dissolved. The business is now carried on by J. Askew & Son.

QUEBEC.

Elezear Fiset, shoes, Quebec, has failed.

J. A. I. Craig, Montreal, has been burned out. J. H. Filiatrault, Valleyfield, has assigned in trust.

Laurier & Quintal, contractors, Montreal, have dissolved,

A. Sicotte, tins, etc., Montreal, is in the hands of the bailiff.

J. F. Dion, general store, Drummondville, has assigned in trust.

G. W. Lambly, general store, Three Rivers, is removing to Waterloo.

Hadden & Beaulien, produce brokers, Montreal, are reported away.

The Phonix Electrical Light Company, Montreal, have been burned out.

Morrison Bros. & Co., woolen mill, Cowansville, have assigned in trust.

J. W. & G. Waddell, general store, Grece Point, have assigned in trust.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Jos. Conlon, omnibuses, etc., Halifax, is dead.

J. A. Adams, tailor, Spring Hill, is reported away.

Mrs. W. S. Fraser, dry goods, etc., Spring Hill, has assigned.

E. F. Cutlip, of the firm of G. & E. Cutlip, painters, Halifax, is dead,

Wm. Darlyson, general store, Meteghan, has been burned out. Partially insured.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

John A. Elwards, hotel, Fredericton, has been burned out.

Mr. Smith, of the firm of Smith & Murray, dry goods. St. Stephen, is dead.

General Notes.

PRESIDENT ARTHUR advises that the postage on drop letters be reduced from two cents to one cent. The Postmaster-General recommends that the Government assume the same control over the telegraph as over the mails; but in this the President does not concur.

THE old established wholesale patent medicine firm of Northrop & Lyman, Toronto, has merged its business into a joint stock company with a capital of \$100,000. Three old employes of the late firm have been given an interest in the company, and the management remains unchanged.

A NUMBER of capitalists have acquired a lease of the gutta-percha forests of Dutch Guinea for a term of thirty-three years, and have already begun operations there upon an extensive scale. This lease covers one million acres, and the quality of the gum is said to be equal to that of the best East India product.

Bilt owns \$47,050,000 in United States registered four per cent. bonds, a draft for the interest on which is mailed to bim quarterly from the Treasury. The interest on these bonds amounts as follows:—Per annum, \$1,882,000; per quarter, \$470,500; per \$156,883.33\frac{1}{3}; per day, \$5,156.16; per hour, \$214.84; per minute, \$3.58.

THE managers of the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition at New Orleans, have adopted a design for the main building. It will be fifteen hundred feet long and nine hundred wide, with 1,000,39S square feet of floor space, and will be the largest exposition building ever erected except the one in London in 1862.

The herring fisheries of Scotland employ nearly half a million of people—one seventh of her population. The boats represent a money value of \$3,600,000. The annual yield of cured fish has risen from 99,000 barrels in the century to 2,290,000, and has trebled in fifty years, while in the same period the value of the nets has increased 75 per cent.

The financial article of the Daily News, London, Dec. 4, says it is understood that a firm in Shangai, holding silk to the value of £1,000,000 has failed, or retired from business. It is stated that the firm has been gradually liquidating its affairs. More stoppages of business houses in Shangai are expected, as the Chinese Banks resolutely refuse to lend money until the war clouds nowthreatening the country are vanished.

The report of the Chief of the U.S. Bureau of Statistics shows the value of imports and exports of merchandise during the year amounted \$1,547,000,000, and was larger than any previous year within the history of the country. The excess of exports over imports of merchandise was \$100,658,000. Excess of products of agriculture amounted to \$619,000,000. The exports of products of mannfacture amounted to \$112,000,000, against \$103,000,000 in the preceding year.

A curious case has recently occurred in Hamburg in which the manager of a branch establishment sues his employer for libel by telephone. The manager pretended that he did not hear the message, and obtained a witness to receive the second edition; but as telephone messages can be heard by others than those they are intended for, it is considered that a libel spoken through the telephone is "published," hence the action, the result of which is not without interest to a good many.

Cottonwood, it is said, will make four rails in seven to nine years, and maple the same in from eight to ten years. Cottonwood, softmaple and California redwood are regarded, by: many as the best trees for forest planting when shelter belts around orchards, gardens, barns and stock yards are necessary. Many farmers have learned from sad experience that by cutting down their forests indiscriminately they have made the way clear for chilling, biting winds and frosts to nip their growing fruit.

There is a regular system in vogue in the the cotton mills of Rouen, France, which would be worthy of adoption in any country. In addition to the regular wages, there is annually set apart a proportion of the profits of the concern, which is divided among all employes who have comple' id a period of five year's service. The profits range from 12 to 17 per cent. of the amount of regular wages, half of which is paid in cash and half applied to a fund for the relief of deserving poor among operatives and their families.

The American Government having taken off the duty on apples, some of the leading fruit o'calers in Montreal are agitating for a similar move on the part of the Canadian Government, and it is mooted that a deputation of the trade will wait upon the authorities at Ottawa and lay the matter before them. The trade for some time past has complained of the excessive tariff on imported fruit which Canada does not produce, such as oranges, lemous, etc., and on such kinds it is said a reduction of the present duty will be asked for.

Some idea of where American sewing machines go to may be had from a statement in the Sewing Machine Journal of exports from New York for the week ending November 23rd: To ports in Central and South America and the West Indies, 669 cases. To Hamburg, 1,437; Amsterdam, 253; Autwerp, 101; total to the continent of Europe, 1,851 cases. To Liverpool. 1,073: London, 649; Leith, 501; total to Great Britain, 2,223 cases. Some Canadian exports are probably included in these figures, Very probably part of these exports consisted of Canadian machines, but this is not stated.

About \$35,000,000 in trade dollars was coined. A large portion of them went to China where the custom is extensive to melt foreign silver coins into small bars. But there was a big lot which the Chinese never saw. They have unaccountably disappeard. The Secretary of the Treasury has no idea were they are. Careful inquiry in New York has failed to discover any appreciable sums of them. The theory now is that speculators bought them up at \$5 cents each during the period when the people were so "flowy on" them, and are now holding

them with the expectation that the government will eventually redeem them.

The Bay City, Lumbermaa's Gazette says: The year 1883 has been exceptionally disastrons in the matter of fires in wood-working establishments. For the first ten menths of the year over one hundred million dollars was wiped out, went up in smoke as it were, and the necessity becomes apparent for every precaution on the part of owners to prevent the continuance of such enormous destruction. One hundred million dollars in ten menths is too grnat a business calamity to be longer endured. The most perfect precautionary measures should be adopted by every woodworking sstablishment in the country.

IT is estimated that 29 per cent. of the acreage of Europe is still in timber. Forty per cent. of the enormous territory of Russia is in forests and of this 200,000,000 acres are in pine woods. Thirty-four per cent. of the territory of Sweden and Norway is occupied with woods of useful timbers; twenty-six per cent. of Austria, twenty-seven per cent of Germany, seventeen per cent. of France, seven per cent. of Spain, the timber being cork, oak and chesnut, five per cent. of Portugal, and four per cent. of Great Britain. Scotland is the only part of the British Empire (including the colonies) in which the planting of timber is going on to any considerable extent. Sweden is now the country from which she world's supply of fir timber and deals chiefly come.

Woollens and Clothing,

The eastern trade papers have anything but good news to give with regard to the condition of business in woollen goods and clothing. They report a marked stagnation in trade and frequent failures caused by over-production of poor goods, a light fall trade, and many other reasons. The present existing condition of things has been brought about by a long train of circumstances since the close of the war, and we can but hope matters are settling down to a safer basis than has existed for many years, in this as in most other leading lines of trade. Changes in tariff laws, the places of the modern credit system, the expensive methods of selling goods and the reckless competition often found in both wholesale and retail trade, have had the effect to put aside many of the safest and most essential rules of trade, so that the prices asked do not, as nearly as they should, correspond with the cost of production to the manufacturer, or the prices the retailer has paid. More prudent methods must eventually prevail .- Minneapolis Bulletin.

The Corn Crop.

A Milwaukee grain dealer has just published an estimate on the yield of corn this year compiled from official returns and other reliable sources of information, from which it appears that the total crop slightly exceeds that of last year, and is the largest ever raised in the United States, excepting in 1880. The total amount this year is put at 1,621,100,000 bus. The United States Department of Agriculture, in its October report, placed it at 1,617,025,100 bus., or only a little over three milions less than the Milwaukee estimate. The

total crop of 1880 was 1,714,435,000 bus., or 96,435,000 more than this year's. Following is the tabular statement of yield by states:

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Iowa				165,000,0	
Missouri				190,000,00	
Kansas		•••	•	190,000,0	
Nebraska	••		• •	90,000,00	
California	•••	••		., 3,000,00	
Dakota	• •	••		6,000,0	
Other States	and '	Territor		5,000,0	
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The World's Bread and Meat.

An interesting paper was read by Dr. Drysdale of London, before the Social Science Congress at the recent annual session at Nottingham, upon the subject of the world's present and future trade supply. The paper attracted special attention, as it well might, for the subject is one of vital importance to Europe and especially to Great Britain. The distinguished essayist adduced many statistics gathered from the highest sources, upon which he based conclusions that will hardly be questioned by those who are well informed on the topic under consideration. He emphasized the fact that Europe is now importing one-twelfth of her food, and that, at the rate of increase which has marked the history of recent years, she will soon import one-sixth of it. So far as Great Britain is concorned this fact possesses great significance. To the essayist one thing was clear, and that was that the continent in the near future would send them no meats, but on the contrary, be a competitor with Britain for meat supplies.

Passing by details that are interesting, pertaining to the enormous monthly consumption of meat in Great Britain and the rapid increase of population, we come to another consideration

dwelt upon by Dr. Drysdale, to wit : Great Britain consumes more meat per head (109 lbs. per head annually) than any other European nution. He said her unceasing activity required that this kind of easily digested albumen should be used by her people, and he compared the condition of the British people with that of the people of Italy, who consumed only eighteen pounds per annum, and were sunk in lethargy and superstition. France and Germany were referred to as the leading nations of Europe in activity, intelligence and culture, and they consume more than any other continental country, except Belgium. It was shown that meat is becoming dearer year by year, and that the same is true of milk and other dairy products. The suggestive circumstance was also dwelt upon that the death-rate is very much higher among ill-fed nations and classes than among the well-fed.

In all this there is profitable food for thought for American farmers and stock-raisers. To this continent will Europe continue to look for supplies of meat-food, as well as breadstuffs and dairy products. With our unmatched facilities for supplying them—resources that are well-nigh boundless—she need not look to us in vain for food; and, while her requirements will be an advantage to our people, it is to her a god-send that she can draw from us wholesome food, both breadstuffs and meats, at prices that enable the masses of her people to enjoy them.—N. W. Miller.

The Harvest of 1883.

The last circular of the Ontario Bureau of Industries is dated December 6, 1883. A large surplus of hay and clover is reported. Last year the area under crop was 1,825,890 acres, and the average yield 1-14 tons per acre; this year the area was 2,359,521 acres, and the average yield 1.75 tons. Of potatoes, the yield for the whole Province is 18 bushels per acre less than last year. The produce of the several crops for 1882 and 1883 was as follows:

Potatocs, Mangolds Carrots Turnips	bush "	•	 1883. 16,106,731 6,233,163 3,951,588 29,432,013	1882. 18,432,143 7,711,420 4,009,975 35,359,331
Totals	3		55,723,495	65,512,871

The first crop, as a rule, was a failure. Tho number of horses continues to increase.

		1883.	1882.
1	Working horses	350,181	336,932
	Breeding mares	 87,442	70,596
	Working horses Breeding mares Unbroken horses	 123,408	96,076

The number of cattle in the Province in 1882 and 1883 was as follows:

	1883.	1882.
Working oxen	17,086	14,566
Milch cows		665,382
Store cattle (over 2 years) .	322,154	272,208
Other cattle		610,527
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Coarse woolled (over 1 year), 1,044,859 933,143 (under 1 year), 581,109 876,362 Fine woolled (ove. 1 year), 150,465 178,299 (under 1 year), 95,451 127,499

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WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 25, 1883.

THE FARMERS' CONVENTION.

The Convention of Northwest agriculturists which met in this city in the early portion of the past week, was certainly a novel gathering in this country, and lends color to the growing belief that people in the Northwest are gradually becoming more united in their aims, and inclined to consider interests mutual. The results of the conference which will be found in another portion of our columns, arc, as might be expected, far from being of a concentrated cha acter, and not by any means as practical as they might be. But for the first meeting of an organization embracing so many people and many different views, they are fairly satisfactory, and as the union of agriculturists grows in age its practical usefulness will no doubt enlarge.

The whole Northwest has during the year, now near a close, been passing through a time of great trial, and it is only within the past few months that the farming classes have had any practical experience of this fact. While a time of crushing contraction was grinding traders during the past summer, the farmer experienced little or no inconvenience, and not until he was prepared to market a damaged crop, when produce all over the World was at low figures, did he discover the straitened circumstances in which he was placed. For the first time the crops of our farmers have had to be ruled in price by a foreign market, and with the abolition of the fancy prices which a local demand, beyond the supply, has main tained for years, farmers at once acknow ledged themselves unable to grapple with the situation, and like most other unsuccessful people attribute their misfortunes to a host of grievances real and imaginary.

While the resolutions of the Farmers' Convention dealt with several real grievances, a calm onlooker could not but acknowledge that some had the appearance of grasping at straws. As in all other such gatherings the political wire-pulling element had too much sway in the conference, and probably the worst blunder made was the selection for delegates to flay before the Ottawa Government the grievances complained of, of three of the

most pronounced politicians connected with the movement, and three men who must be considered anything but farming representatives.

Railway monopoly, as might be expected, came in for a good share of abuse, and unscrupulous grain buyers and millers received from some of the delegates uncomplimentary remarks which are only excusable owing to the egregious ignorance-of those who apply them Freight rates on the C.P.R. were freely denounced as extortionate, although the through rate from western points to a lake port. the only rate which can practically affect the price of a farmer's grain seeking an esatern market, was scarcely brought under consideration. No delegate mentioned that 1001bs. of grain would be carried from a non-competing point on the banks of the Saskatchewan River to a Lake Superior port, a distance of over 1,000 miles for 58c. Yet such is the case on the C.P-R., and it has no parallel in the western portion of thits continent. No delegate hinted that a system of grain storage at some central point, where grain could be held over until advantage could be taken of lake navigation, would be a relief, and the only move in the direction of elevator construction was a play into the hands of those who wish Northwestern grain to go blindfold to Montreal or some other Atlantic port to have its quality and value fixed there instead of in the country it is grown in.

But through all the dust and din which raged in the conference, some of its actions were well-directed and commendable. Its protest against the unreasonable tariff with which Northwestern pioneers are burdened for the benefit of eastern manufacturers, was clear and decided, and only reiterated the unanimous voice of the Northwestern press last spring, when Sir Leonard Tilley's villainou budget was first published. Other minor points were equally commendable, and the claim of Manitoba to her own lands so plainly set forth must be echoed by every true friend of the province. While means of immediate as a rule were looked for in rather unreasonable directions, the hope of permanent was firmly fixed in the construction of a railway to the Hudson's Bay. The delegates present could not fail to see that while the products of the Northwest have to seek a sea port on 'the Atlantic coast, either through the United States or

Canada, freight must remain a heavy burden on the agriculturist and a drag upon the country's progress. It would be well if all Manitobans, whether farmers, or not, would see the matter in this light, as upon the opening of that route to Europe must depend in a great measure the future greatness of this fertile country of ours.

Taking an unbiassed view of the conference and the union of farmers to which it has given birth, we are of opinion that its inhuence on the province will be for good. The first meeting of its class, it could not be expected to conduct its deliberations with the wisdom of a national parliament. The political trickster may have destroyed some of its usefulness, but after all it has completed a union that must in time make itself felt for the benefit of the Northwest.

PINANCIAL ANOMALAY.

The small trader in Winnipeg must at present be puzzled to comprehend how money for commercial purposes can be classed easy at the banks, and still be so scarce in circulation among ordinary traders. Yet, week after week, banks report money plentiful for legitimate business purposes, and there is no reason for doubting this report. What can be rated under the head of legitimate commercial business, however, is now rather limited in its demands. Commercial paper, or discounts based upon actual mercardile transactions, is undoubtedly eagerly sought after now by banks, and even the renewals, which were scowled at during the past summer, are not all unwelcome business at present, but are discounted with comparative freedom. That they represent actual transactions, and the acceptors and endorsers are in fair standing is necessary no doubt, but there is no disposition left to shorten lines of discount, and scrutinize each note as was usual a few months ago. Banks have discovered that there are enough of their institutions in the city, and more than is necessary to attend its mercantile discounting wants, and in the struggle for that class of business some of the number have to be content with rather a limited share. Traders have learned how to run upon short rations in the line of discounts, and while trade is now resting upon a comparatively safe basis, there is no desire on their part to extend operations. With discounts in such a state, and speculative

loans not obtainable, it is only natural that financial resources at the banks should be liberal. Yet it is questionable if, during the past three years, there has been a time when the circulation of money among small traders was so limited. Retail merchants, with rare exceptions, comp'ain of slow rates for cash, while small manufacturers are hard pressed to make ends meet, even when their resources are large enough for them to expect some thing approaching to financial ease. There can be no doubt but the trade of the city is still squeezing through a time of stringency, but we have reason to believe not of danger. Retrenchmeut in every direction has wonderfully lessened the demands of people even in what might be considered ordinary necessaries, and there is very little reason to hope that there will be much of a loosening up feeling during the present winter The imports into the province during the fall and winter have shown a heavy falling-off compared with the previous year, and promise to show a similar comparison in the coming spring. Money is not going out of the country with freedom either, and the tightness in circulation is doubtless the result of a general determination to hold back every dollar that can be saved. A determination like this aids much in trade recovery, and when that fairly sets in there is reason to believe that banks will be thoroughly cured of the hide bound policy pursued by them during the early portion of the year now drawing to a close.

DON'T SPECULATE.

There is not the slightest doubt but that the present financial crisis existing all over Anterica is due in no small degree to the spirit of speculation that has swept over the land during the past two or three years. The recent decline in prices of bank stocks has caused a panicky feeling in Montreal, New York and other castern trade centres. If the speculation had been confined to the brokers and other professional operators on 'change, the interest felt in the present condition of things, would not be so widespread, and there would not be heard such dire predictions of hard times as we have to listen to now. It is a well-known fact that both in Canada and the United States a large number of the business embarrassments that have occurred during the past year are directly traceable to indulgence

in speculation outside of legitimate business, and this often precipitates failures where least expected. The merchant who neglects his legitimate business to operate on the stock exchange is almost cercertain to be left in the lurch. It may seem all right for a time, but in the long run it generally results in embarrassment and often bankruptcy. Legitimate business, when properly conducted, is generally attended with success, but when the attention of the merchant is attracted into the wondrous snare of speculative gambling, the geverse is the case. This passion for speculation has wrought much evil in the country, and no one knows such to be the case better than he who has watched the record of business in the Northwest since the advent of 1881. It matters not whether the operator devotes his attention to real estate, bank stocks or grain margins, the result is all the same. The amount of money sunk in this way every year, even in the Dominion of Canada, if it could be ascertained, would astonish everyone. Those in high places are generally the ones to set the example, and traders, professional men, clerks and mechanics follow suit in the search of a more rapid road to wealth than that of the old and sure way of patient toil and economical living. This it is which must to a large extent be held accountable for the demoralization in commercial and monetary circles that now exists.

A WINNIPEG ART PUBLICATION.

We are in receipt of the first issue of the Manitoba and Northwest Illustrated Quarterly, published by the Bishop Engraving and Printing Company. stated in its prefatorial remarks, "the object of the Quarterly is to present in a pleasing and reliable form the main features of the country, and to make its resources known to the outside world.' There is no better medium through which to present to the outside world the interesting and attractive features of a country than through well executed illustrations. The influence of a picture is often greater than all the word painting of the most polished writer or speaker. We congratulate the publishers of this new journalistic venture upon the success that has attended their maiden effort to issue a high art publication in Winni-The character of the illustrations

and the skill displayed by the hthographer in reproducing the artists' ideas, are worthy of all commendation, and will compare very favorably with the best efforts of the old-established illustrated papers in either the United States or Europe. The Quarterly is under the editorial conduct of Mr. Geo. II. Flint, and the sketches are by Mr. Edwin Talbot, formerly connected with the London Pictorial World, which facts are of themselves ample guarantee that its excellence will be maintained. We wish them all success in their enterprise, and trust that an appreciative public will give them a cordial support.

SELLER AND BUYER,

The judicious retail dealer is he who in making his purchases underestimates rather than overestimates his wants. Such a man generally turns out to be the best customer in the long run. A great trouble that has overtaken business men in the Northwest has been the result of laying in too heavy stocks of goeds. There are some men who never know exactly what they do want, and others who perhaps do know what they want allow themselves to become the victim of some plausible salesman who happens along with a This class of merchants sample case. are almost sure to allow their shelves to become overstocked wilh goods which they either do not need or are entirely unsuitable for their trade. The history of commercial life in Winnipeg and other business centres throughout this country furnishes any amount of cases such as we refer to. It is of the most vital importance to both wholesaler and retailer alike that there should be great caution exercised in the buying and selling of goods. It is not in the interest of the wholesale dealers to overstock his customers with goods, for if the system be continued for any length of time it is almost too certain to result in disaster to all parties concerned. The close buying patron is the most valuable in the end. This class seldom meet with failure and their custom endures so long as mutual confidence exists. The prosperity of the retailer is essential to the success of the wholesaler, and the cost of maintaining an established trade founded on relations of confidence and mutual interest is far less than the difference obtained by overselling constantly new customers,

WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

As regards the money market there is nothing special to note this week from what appeared in our last issue. The railway blockade which stopped all movement of grain and consequent flow of money, has created a greater demand for bank accommodation than there would otherwise have been. Country dealers have not been able to make remittances so promptly as they anticipated, and on this account the wholesale houses have been called upon to protect a good deal of their customers' paper. It is expected, however, that this trouble will only bo of a temporary character, and that in a week or two things will have returned to their normal condition. The banks have plenty of funds on hand, but business generally being dull, they are very careful as to whom they grant accommodation. Gilt-edged commercial paper is discounted at from 8 to 10 per cent., and in some cases it has been negotiated at as low as 7 per cent. Ordinary commercial paper discounts at 10 to 12 per cent. The loan companies are well supplied with eash, but report a light demand for desirable loans. On firstclass real estate mortgage security the rate for loans is generally from S to 10 per cent. Money for speculation is hard to get, and private lend ers generally charge a high rate for accommodation.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

The past week has been one of more than ordinary quiet in wholesale circles, at least it has not been characterized by that activity which had been anticipated immediately previous to the holiday season. The chief cause of this unlooked for condition of things is the trouble which has existed in connection with the railway traffic. Leading dealers tell us that many of their customers from whom they expected to have received heavy orders, have been unable to visit the city at the time they expected, and as the season became advanced they have been obliged to content themselves with orders sent in by mail, as under the circumstances it was impossible to tell whether goods would reach their destination in time for the holiday trade ornot. Orders have been much lighter than they otherwise would have been, dealers not caring to carry any stock over till another season. There is no doubt the wholesale Christmas trade of the city has been very seriously interfered with by the railway difficulties, but it is confidently hoped that now that traffic has again been resumed there will be some briskness in general trade immediately after the New Year. Remittances, especially from the country, have been slow owing to the fact that no grain has been moving for the past week, which means a direct check on the flow of ready cash.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.

The agricultural machinery trade so far as sales are concerned, are at a standstill at present. The agents are actively engaged in attending to collections to be tyear's sales, and in spying out the land for next season's operations. So far collections have not been of a very satisfactory character, and the past week has been no improvement upon its predecessors. Of course, owing to the check given to the grain

movement by the stoppage of freight traffic on the railway, there was but little in the way of remittances to be expected for the past week, but judging from present indications the outlook for collections during the winter is not so cocouraging as it might be.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

The leading houses have been kept tolerably busy during the past week in filling orders which had accumulated during the railway blockade. Considerable quantities of goods have been shipped during the past few days to country dealers and city trade is keeping up better than was expected. Collections are slow.

CLOTHING.

There is not much doing in clothing at present. Country dealers were well stocked up early in the season and what is done now is confined to sorting-up orders, generally for the heavier classes of goods. Collections are slow but not more so than was anticipated under existing circumstances.

CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE.

Business in this line centinues to keep up very well, city trade being especially good. Country trade is very fair, and there has been a very satisfactory demand for the finer classes of goods suitable for Christmas trade. After New Year a quiet period of business is expected. Collections are very satisfactory, and quite a large percentage of goods have been sold for each

DECCS AND CHEMICALS.

There is no particular change to note in the drug business. This line of trade is not so subject to sparts according to the season of the year, as many others, remaining steady the whole time. Collections are fair.

DRY GOODS.

What with the hindrance to trade caused by the railway trouble, and this being a dull season of the year, under any circumstance, things in the dry goods line may be said to have been almost at a standstill. Had the railway been running there would have been considerable doing in sorting-up orders, but even this has been curtailed by the blockade. There have been no travellers on the road for the past week, and they will not start on regular trips for a month yet. Collections are still slow, and show but little signs of improvement. When the grain again Legins to move it is expected, however, that there will be a generally improved tone in that direction.

FANCY GOODS AND SMALL WARES.

This is a branch of trade which depends upon the holiday season for the best run of trade of the year. Up till two weeks ago a brisk business was being done. After that the railway trouble commenced and business has been very much curtailed thereby. The leading houses report having heard from their country customers stating that they had expected to visit the city and make their purchases personally, but owing to the difficulty in travelling and uncerainty in observing delivery of goods, they have contented themselves with sending in small orders by mail. It is safe to say that for the reasons given above the trade in fancy goods for the past two weeks has been cut down to almost

one-half of what it would otherwise have been. Collections for the same reason are slow.

FISH AND POULTEY.

There is a good demand for goods in this line. The supply of fish is liberal and are quoted the same as last week, viz.: White fish 7c; Lake Superior trout Se; Oysters are in good supply at 70c for counts, 60c for selects, and 50c for standards. Game is in faw supply at 50 to 60c per pair for prairie chickens; 40c to 50c for ducks, and 25c for rabbits. The close season for prairie chickens begins on Jan. 1st, after which the ma. ket will be without that popular species of game. Turkeys, geese and ducks are being brought in in considerable quantities. Quotations range from 17c to 20c per pound.

PERIT.

The past week has been a y brisk one in the fruit line, and collections are reported good. Heavy consignments have been received and have sold quickly. Other shipments are on the way and expected every day. Lemons are very firm and advancing in eastern markets. There is no change in prices here, but they are firm at \$9 to \$9.50. Oranges have been received. Floridas are melined to be weak and unsettled in Chicago owing to the largequantity of poor and indifferent fruit in the market. First-class fruit, however, is firm, and finds ready sale at \$7.50 to \$9.50, according to quality and size. Messinas are firm at \$7.50 to \$8. Apples continue firm at \$6 to \$6.50 per barrel. The market is not overstocked and the probability is that they will continue steady at the above quotation for some time. California fruit is in sufficient supply to meet all demands. Pears are worth \$6 to \$6.50 per case. Malaga grapes are firm and steady at \$9 to \$9.50 per barrel. Figs in 14lb boxes are worth 12c per lb.; Eleme layers 19c. Nuts are steady at old quotations, viz: peanuts 20c per lb; almonds 20c to 22c; brazils 22c; cocoa nuts \$9.50 per hundred. There is an actived demand for dried fruit. Crown raisius are scarce at from \$4.75 to 5.00 for black; triple \$7.00; four crown \$8.00; loose muscatel are steady at \$3.25; black baskets \$4.40; dates are worth 10e per lb.

FUEL.

The cold snap of the past few days has caused a keen demand for fuel. Prices remain about the same. Saskatchewan coal is worth \$9 per ton in the yard or \$10 delivered; Anthracite ranges from \$13.50 to \$14. Tamarae wood is worth from \$6 to \$7 per cord; poplar \$5 to \$6; oak \$7 to \$8.

FURNITURE.

There is very little doing in the furniture line at present. Country dealers are ordering very cautiously and city demand is quiet. Collections are slow.

GROCERIES.

The railway trouble has severely affected this as all other lines of business. Trade for the past week may be said to have been slow for this season of the year. A brisker trade is looked for shortly. Recent advices from Yokohama, to the wholesale tea house in the city report prices advancing and firm Quotations at present are: Sugars—Yellow 9; to 10c; granulated 104 to 114e; l'aris lumps 12c; Coffees 15 to 18c for Lios; 22to 27c for Jayas;

teas - Japan 20 to 45c, Moyune gunpowders 30 to 75c; Young Hyson 25 to 70c; new season Congous 24 to 55c; last season's do 18c to 35c. Tobaccos have advanced-Prince of Wales is quoted at 39c to 40c per lb.; Myrtle Navy \$10 per caddie. Syrups are quoted at \$3.50 per keg; half barrels 90c per gallon. Boneless fish is worth 9c per lb for 40 lb boxes; 10c for 5 lb boxes. Common salt \$3.25 per barrel; 5 lb bags \$5.40; 3 lb bags \$6.00.

HARDWARE AND METALS.

Business is quiet and seems to have settled down for the winter. Collections are slow. Quotations are as they were, viz.: Tin plate 14x20, \$7.50 to 7.75; 20x28, \$14.25 to 14.75; bar iron \$3.50 to 4.00; sheet iron \$3.50 to \$7.00; iron piping, 25 per cent. off price list; ingot tin, 32c to 35c; pig lead, 6]c to 7c; galvanized iron, No. 28, 8c to 9c according to quality; cut nails, tenpenny and upwards,\$4.25 per 1001b keg; casing nails,\$5.00; finishing nails \$1.50. Bar iron is quoted at \$3.50 per 100 lb to the trade and \$4 to blacksmiths.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Trade has rather improved during the past week. There is somewhat of a searcity of sole leather. Quotations remain as they were, viz :- Spanish sole 33c to 35c; slaughter sole 35c French calf, first choice, \$1.40 to 1.50; domestic S5c; B Z calf \$1.00 to 1.10; French kip \$1.00 to 1.25; B Z kip 85c to 90c; slaughter kip 65c to 75c; No. 1 wax upper 55c; grain upper 55c; harness leather 31e to 33e for plump stock; English oak sole 65c.

LUMBER.

The demand at present is light, and will be so for some time to come. ions are as follows: Pine lumber, 1st. common boards, dressed \$26.50; 2nd, dressed, \$25.50; 1st dressed rough, \$26.50; 2nd do. \$25.50; sheathing, rough, \$25; timber 16 feet and un der, \$21; do. over 16 feet, for each additional 2 feet, \$1; dimension and joists 16 feet and under, \$24; do. over 16 feet for each, \$1; fencing, \$25; 2 and 3 inch battens, \$30; A. stock boards, all widths, \$50; B do., \$45; C do., \$40; D do., \$35; 1st clear, 1, 11, 11, and 2 inch, \$60; 2nd do., \$56; window and door easings, \$50; Lase boards, dressed, \$50; 1st pine flooring, siding and ceiling, \$40; 2nd do. \$35; 3rd do. \$30; 1 inch split siding, dressed, \$30. Spruce lumber-timber 16 feet and under, \$22; do. over 16 feet for each additional 2 feet, \$1; dimensions and joists, 16 feet and under, \$23; do., over 16 feet, for each additional 2 feet. \$1; boards, \$22; lot flooring, siding and ceiling, \$28; XX shingles, \$5.25; Star A shingles, \$5.25; X shingles, \$5.00; A do, \$4.50; lath, \$4.50

STATIONERY AND PAPER.

There has been a very fair city trade of late, and country trade has also been tolerably satisfactory. Collections cannot be complained of.

STOVES, TINWARE, &c.

The active movement for the season is over, and the leading houses are principally occupied in settling-up old business, in which it is satisfactory to know that there has been but little trouble so far.

SAUDLERY AND HARNESS.

This is a dull season of the year in this line, and orders are light and not very plentiful. Remittances have been fairly satisfactory.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Business in wines and spirits, especially in the finer classes of strong liquors has very good. Collections have also been very good. Quotations to jobbers and purchasers of quantities are: Hennesy's one star, \$13 to \$11; in wood, \$4.59 to 5.00 per gallon, Imperial, cases, vintage of 1878, \$5.50; Martel, in case, one star, \$13 to \$14; Renault, 1-star, \$12, \$16 and \$20; Boleyn, in wood, \$4 to \$5.50; Rouet in cases, quarts, \$8.50; flasks, \$10, half flasks, \$11; Pinette, in wood, \$4 per Imp. gal.; Louis Freres, in cases, qts, \$10; flasks, two dozen in a case, \$11, half flasks, four dozen in a case, \$12; M. Dubois, in wood, \$3.50 per gallon; cases, quarts, \$S; flasks, \$9; half flasks, \$10. Gin, Holland, in wood, \$3 per gallon; red cases, \$10.50 to 11.50; green cases, \$6 to \$7; Old Tomgin, Bernard's, in wood, \$3.25 pcr gallon; Booth's, in wood, \$3.25; Ford's Acadia gin \$2.25 to 2.75; Booths, in cases, quarts, \$8.59; Scotch whisky, Ramsny's in wood, \$1.00; Caol Ha Islay, in wood, \$3 50; Stewart's, in cases, quarts, \$8.50; flasks, \$9.50. Irish whisky, John Jameson & Sons, in wood, \$4.50; Bernard's, in cases, quarts, \$S; flasks, \$9.50. Jamaica rum, \$3.50 to \$1.00 per gallon. Champagne-Pomeroy, quarts, \$34; pints \$35 per case; Bollinger, quarts, \$33; pints \$34; Moet & Chandon, quarts, \$27; pints \$28; G. H. Mumu, q arts, \$28; pints \$30; Pipe, Heidseick, quarts, \$27; pints \$29; Carte Blanche, quarts, \$20; pints \$21. Sherry from \$2.50 to 8.00 per gallon, according to quality and brand; ports \$2.50 to 7.00, according to quality and brand; claret in cases \$5.00 to 7.00; Diewcy's ale \$13 per bri; Bass's ale in quarts \$4 per doz ; pints \$2.50 ; Guines's porter in quarts \$1.00; pints \$2.50 Domestic whiskies, Gooderham & Wort's, or wood, \$1.65 to 2.25 per gallon; 65 o. p. rectified, in wood, \$3.50; W.F. L. five-y a out, \$2.50 per gallon; cases, quarts, \$7.50; flasks \$8.50.

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GRAIN AND PROV. 10NS.

Towards the latter end of the past week grain again began to move, the railways being able to relieve the pressure on the warehouses and elevators somewhat. This was only to a small extent however, and it will be a few days yet before freight traffic is as it was. Until such is the case buyers can only buy according to their storage capacity. It is expected that when the blockade is thoroughly raised and shipment is active there will be a much more lively movement of grain than has been seen this season so far. Provisions are fairly active and firm at the quotations given.

WHEAT.

Up till last Wednesday when freight began to move, there were no receipts at all beyond a few loads offering on the street. Since then a number of cars have been received daily sufficient to keep the mills running full time. The supply did not, however, come any too soon, as the city |

elevators had become nearly emptied of their stocks. A good deal of wheat has been shipped from Gretna and Emerson. Prices remain as they were. No. 1 hard is worth from 75c to 80c in Winnipeg. Frozen wheat varies in value, according to the amount of damage it has sustained, from 45c to 60c.

There have be n a great many oats offering on the street, but there have been no rail receipts. There is no active demand at present, nor is there likely to be during the winter. The oatmeal mills call for a good many, and this with what is required for purposes of feed makes up the whole deriand Good samples are worth from 1Se to 20 in Winnipeg.

A few loads have offered on the street during the week, which have been bought chiefly for feed. The lnewers, however, are not anxious to buy at present, having considerable old stock on hand. The quotation 30c to 35c is almost purely nominal.

FLOUR.

Notwithstanding the railway blockade and the consequent stoppage of receipts for some days, the units have been able to keep running full time. The elevators were, however, pretty well cleared out before the railways brought in any grain from outside points. There has been on account of fack of supping facilities a heavy accumulation of stock in the city, but it is now moving out freely. Quotations remain the same, viz.: Patents \$2.90; streng baker's \$2.60; superline \$2.00 to \$ 25.

There is a fair demand for bran which holds steady at \$10 per ton on track.

are also considerably enquired for and steady ut the old figure or \$12 per ton on track.

CHOPPED FEED

is worth \$24 to \$25 per ton and steady at that figure.

POTATOES.

The supply of potatoes has been limited by the stoppage of receipts by rail. The cold weather has also had the effect of preventing tarmers in the neighborhood from bringing their crop to market. The consequence is that the price is steady at from 50c to 60c per bushel. There are plenty of potatoes in the country which will find their way to market so soon as as the weather moderates. The price is not likely to advance beyond what is now being paid for some time.

CHEESE

is steady and firm at 16c per pound for September make. The demand continues good, and a moderate stock is in the city.

DUTTER.

There are heavy stocks of butter held in the city at present, sufficient to meet all demands for some time to come. Caoice dairy is steady and firm at 25c to 28c; for fine creamery 30c is easily obtained.

HAMS.

The supply has improved somewhat. They are quoted firm at 18c.

DACON.

The market is well supplied and the demand good. Long clear dry salt is quoted at 111c to 12c; smoked 124c; breakfast 164c to 17c; spiced rolls 16c.

EGGS

are scarce and very firm at 32c per dozen. There is a brisk demand.

is steady and very firm at \$20 to \$22.

MESS DEEP

is but little enquired for, and is steady at \$1S.

Twenty pound pails are quoted at \$2.75; case lard \$8 to \$8.50.

DRIED APPLES

are quoted steady at 12c per pound.

CRANBERRIES

are in good demand at \$14 per barrel.

WHITE BEANS

remain steady at the old figures of \$3 to \$3.25 per bushel.

CANNED MEATS.

There is not a very active demand for this class of goods at present. Quotations are: Corned beef \$4.25; brawn \$4.25; lunch tongue \$4.25 for 1 lb caus; 2 lb caus \$7.75; salmon \$2.15; lobsters \$2.00; California fruits, \$9.75; tomatoes \$4.50; 3 lb apples \$4.25.

MINNEAPOLIS.

A buoyant feeling and a higher range of prices has developed during the past week, the greatest advance being in the softer grades of wheat, which have been, heretofore, relatively cheaper than hard wheat. The receipts, while smaller than those of a few weeks ago, are still larger than was anticipated, but a good percentage of it has been of an off-grade char acter, the inspection list showing up a large amount of rejected wheat. The sales of No : hard wheat continue comparatively light, and it is evident that country shippers are holding back much of their best hard wheat, anticipating better prices for it later on. This is more particularly true of points in central and southern Minnesota and Dakota, where an unusually large demand is expected for hard wheat in the spring for seeding purposes. In view of anticipated cutting in freight rates, and rumors of manipulation of prices at the lake markets, on the one hand, and low water here and limited consumption of wheat on the other, a feeling of uncertainty prevails as to prices in the near future, which is liable to, in a measure, unsettle the market here as long as such conditions exist.

The following were the highest and lowest prices by grade on 'change during the week ending Friday, together with that day's closing prices:—

	Wheat.	1	llighest.	,	Lowest.		Closing.
No.	1 hard		\$1.021		\$1.001		\$1.023
"	2 "		95		931	٠.	95
"	1 northern	١	93		90		93
44	2 "	٠.	89		87		S9

FLOUR.—The tone of the market strengthens slowly, but buyers are cautious and will not advance prices until compelled to, purchases being limited to actual wants. Those mits which are not sold are holding out for better prices and expect a marked improvement after the holidays. Quotations at the mills are as follows: 1 Patents, \$5.75 to 6.50; straights, \$5.10 to 5.50; first lakers', \$4.60 to 5.10; second bakers', \$4 to 4.50; best low grades, \$2.25 to 3.50; red dog. \$1.80 to 2.10.

Our millers are more troubled than ever from the lack of power resulting from low water. As last week drew to a close, the power was especially poor, the mills having to change off and run only two-thirds instead

of three-quarters, and even then few of them could run to full capacity. The weather turn ing cold Thursday night, no doubt had a certain amount to do with this. But notwitstanding the great difficulties with which the mills were handicapped, the flour production of last week was comparatively heavy, official figures showing that it averaged 14,996 bbls. per day. This week the production promises to be not over half the full capacity. There are five mills with a capacity of 7,000 bbls, which will not turn a wheel, while the others are not likely to do twothirds work. Very little trouble is now experienced from anchor ice, insufficiency of water being the chief difficulty. The flour market is little different from a week ago, a trifle stronger tone perhaps prevailing. Buyers are slow to meet the millers' views as to higher prices, and buy sparingly. Millers, however, look for an improvement in the situation after the holidays.

Our receipts and shipments were as follows for the week ending Dec. 18:

	Received.	Shipped.
Wheat, bush	391,500	113,590
Flour, brls	4,750	90,583
Millstuff, tons	Sŧ	2,659
LAST WEE	к.	
Flour, brls	5,150	94,139
Wheat, bush	479,000	94,500
Millstuff, tons	216	2,082

The stock of wheat in store in the clevators (including the transfer) and mills of the city on Tuesday, was about 3,250,000 bush. At St. Paul there were 1,100,000 bush., the same as last week, and at Duluth 2,140,900 bush., against 2,107,000 bush. the previous week.

—Northwestern Miller.

CHICAGO.

During the week there has been considerable activity in the market. On Tuesday a fair speculative business was done in wheat, and the feeling was unsettled. Receipts were larger than for some days previous, and stocks increasd. Corn was unsettled and shipping demand light. Oats were weak, and speculative trade quiet. Trading in provisions was only moderately active and praces exhibited little change. Quotations towards the clore were:

Wheat	Dec.,	\$0.9S1	Jan.,	\$0.983
Corn,		.994		593
Oats,	46	$33\bar{4}$	**	34
Pork,	44	14.25	- "	14.45
Lard,	**	\$.90	٠٠	8.95

On Wednesday wheat was somewhat unsettled and a bullish feeling was developed. Corn was active and buying orders numerous. Oats were strong and prices ranged higher. A fair amount of business was transacted in provisions. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat,	Dec.	\$0.953	Jan.,	\$0.991
Corn,		603	**	61
Oats,		343		344
Pork,	**	14.00	"	14.60
Land	44	8.95	**	S.974

On Thursday the wheat market was rather quiet and trading slow during most of the session. Receipts were larger and the visible supply showed an increase of about 900,000 bushels. A good speculative business was transacted in corn, but shipping demand was limited. Oats were quiet and tame. Provisions were firmer

wards the close wer	,		,	
Wheat,	Dec.,	\$0.98A	Jan.,	\$0.991
Corn,		614	"	613
Oats,	4.6	349	"	344
Pork	"	14.25	"	14.85

" 9.10

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and prices averaged higher. Quotations to-

On Friday wheat was dull and declined in price. Corn and eats were also lower. Pork was irregular and fairly active. Quotations towards the close were:

Lard,.....

Wheat,	Dec.,	\$0.977	Jan.,	\$0.985
Corn,	••	613	"	614
Unts,	**	34 j	"	34
Pork,	44	14 00	i "	14.60
Lard,	44	8.80		8.95

On Saturday wheat continued quiet, and subject to fluctuations. Corn was firmer and oats quiet but steady. Provisions were in fair demand with a tendency to decline. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat,	Dec.,	\$0.978	Jan.,	\$0.98
Corn,	• • •	614		62
Oats,	**	34	"	341
Pork,	"	13.90	"	14.50
Lard		8.90	"	8.95

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

The stock market has developed more strength during the past week, and there is a more active movement. It is to be hoped that the worst stage has been passed, and that from this time out good securities will bring something like their proper value. As compared with the previous week's quotations, closing bids on Wednesday were:

	Dec.			
Montreal				
Ontario	10	4	• •	1021
Toronto	16	41	• •	167
Merchants	10	S		1073
Commerce	12	2}		119
Imperial	13	5 <u>1</u>	•	132
Federal.				
Dominion	18	8		1873
Standard	11	4		109
North-westLand				67

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

The prominent features of the market for the past week have been dullness and inactivity. Trade has been decidedly flat. Receipts of all kinds of produce have been light but at the same sufficient to supply the demand. It is not expected that there will be any revival of business until after the holidays. There is a strong feeling of uncertainty as to the quantity of grain still in the country, and the opinion prevails that the stock is lighter than had been anticipated.

WHEAT.

Offerings have been very light and the demand poor. There is no enquiry for export, and the only demand is from the millers. Quotations f.o.c. are: Fall wheat No. 2 \$1:10; No. 3. \$1.06; Spring do., No. 1, \$1.15; No. 2 \$1.13.

ETAO

Receipts have been fairly liberal, but a large percentage of offerings are not of good quality. Prices have ranged from 34c to 353c per bushel for cars. On the street good samples bring 36c to 37c.

DARLEY.

The market has been quieter this week than at any time during the season. The demand is slack and buyers are not inclined to stick to the prices they have been paying Quotations are: No. 1, 71c; No. 2, 66c; extra No. 3, 62c; No. 3, 52c to 55c.

DYP

is quiet. Cars are quoted at from 61e to 62e per bushel, and the same prices prevail on the streets.

PEAS.

There is a good demand and prices are firm at 75c to 75jc fer No. 2. On the street 74c to 75c have been paid.

FLOUR

The market is still very dull and lifeless. The present condition of things is almost unexampled in the history of the country. Superior extra \$3.05 to \$5.10; extra \$4.75 to \$4.85.

POTATOES.

The market is quiet. Cars : track have sold at 75c. On the street fine quality ing from 85c to 90c.

DUTTER.

There is but little change to note in the general tendency of the market. The home demand is good but there is very little enquiry for shipment. Really fine butter is scarce and firm and wanted at 18c to 19c, and in some cases as high as 20c has been paid. Box lots of rolls are quoted at 15c to 17c. On the street pound rolls bring from 23c to 25c according to quality; tubs and crocks of fine dairy 19c to 21c.

ECCS.

There has been an improvement in receipts but all offered are readily taken. Round lots of limed have sold at 22c; fresh 25c.

CHEESE

is quiet at 12c to 121c for really fine quality.

PORK

is inactive at \$15.

BACON.

During the week the market has been quict. Prices are about as they were. Long clear, in tons and cases is quoted at 8½e to 9e; Cumberland 7½e to 8e; rolls, 10½e to 11; bellies, 12½e to 13e.

HAMS

are steady at 12c to 123 for smoked. No other kinds are selling.

LARD.

There is a good demand for new lard. It is quoted at from 1010 to the. Stocks are light and held firmly.

APPLES.

Receipts light. Car lots are quiet at \$3 to \$3.25 On the street prices are firm at \$2.70 to \$3 for poor, and up to \$3.50 to \$3.75 for choice.

POULTRY.

Receipts are light. Box lots of turkeys and ducks are selling at 10c to 11c per lb; geese and fowl at 6½c to 7½c.

SUNDRIES.

Dried apples 91c to 97c; catmeal per 136 lbs, \$4.00 to \$4.10; cornneal \$3.54 to \$3.62.

A Handsome Commercial Structure.

The well known wholesale grocery and provision firm of Lyon, McKenzie & Powis have moved into their handsome new warehouse on the corner of McDermott and Albert streets. This is one of the finest warehouses in Winnipeg, and adds much to the appearance of that part of the city in which it is located. The warehouse is a solid brick structure with a frontage of 63 feet 8 inches on McDermott street and a depth of 97½ feet on Albert street. It is three stories in height, and a basement with an area, under the sidewalk. The whole building is of a most substantial character. The foundations walls are of stone, two feet in

thickness, and the brick walls are 17 inches thick with the exception of the roof storey where they are 13 inches. There are over 25,000 square feet of flooring. The cost of the building, exclusive of site, was over \$20,000. The interior arrangements are of the latest and most approved pattern, and furnish every convenience for carrying on the extensive business of the firm. There are two customs and one excise bonds, hoists and overy other arrangement necessary to facilitate the handling of goods. The building is a credit to the city and to the enterprise of the firm to whom it belongs.

Farmers' Convention.

Last week a large gathering of leading representative farmers from all sections of the country met in Winnipeg, to consider matters affecting their interests and devise means whereby to obtain a redress of grievances. We have not space for a full report of the proceedings. Below are the resolutions passed:

- 1. Resolved, that this Province insists on the right of the Local Government to charter rankways anywhere in Manitoba free from interference.
- 2. The absolute control of her public lands (including school lands) by the Legislature of the Province, and compensation for lands sold and used for Federal purposes.
- 3. That the duty on agricultural implements and building materials be removed, and the customs' tariff on articles entering into daily consumption be greatly modified in the interests of the people of this Province and Northwest.
- 4. That it is the duty of the Provincial Government to make such amendments to the Municipal Act as shall empower Municipal Councils to build or assist in building elevators, grain warehouses and mills, within the limits of such municipalities.
- 5. That this convention is unanimously of opinion that the Hudson's Bay Railroad should be constructed with the least possible delay.

Delegations were appointed to wait on the Dominion and Local Governments and present the views of the Convention.

Montreal Stock Market.

The Montreal stock market has manifested rather more activity during the past week than the previous one. The extra sales, however, do not demonstrate that more confidence in the present financial situation or future outlook is felt, but rather the opposite, for they are the product of an extensive disposal of investment shares in Banks of Montreal and Commerce belonging to the estate of the late Messrs. Joseph and Elward MacKay. There are probably no two securities on the whole list of the local Exchange that the public has placed more confidence heretofore in than these two foremost Canadian banks, and it is a suggestive sign of weakness when, for prudential reasons, trustees, all of whom are business men, think it hazardous to allow so much of their capital to remain in them as formerly. The effect of these transfers was to practically demoralize the market, and bring it down several points just after a sudden rise. However, the fall was inevitable, considering that the advance in the middle of the week was merely one of those spasmodic attempts on the part of the professionals to cover the shorts that uo often occurs. That it

was temporarily successful does not admit of doubt, as many operators had to succumb to the pressure and make a sacrifice which they wore not strong enough to withstand. The rapid rise is generally admitted to have been the work of manipulators purely, who no doubt combined to produce it, as there were no new features in either the financial or commercial horizon to warrant it. It is a maxim which cannot be disputed that business during the present week in every department has been more depressed and stagnant than for the past twelve months, and the prospect ahead was without an immediate ray of cheering hope. The contraction of legitimate commerce and absence of confidence generally are just as strong at present, if not more intensely felt as at any previous period in our history of late years. Liquidation progresses steadily, and the coming three months are looked forward to by thoughtful men with misgivings. Roverses are said to be inevitable at the close of the old and beginming of the new year. The rumblings of finan-1 * able have been recognized here during

the present week, and aithough they have left

no serious effects behind, yet it would not be prudent to unglect such warnings. It is but right to state that the shrewdest financiers and mercantile experts think that the result of some failures will be beneficial in clearing the commercial atmosphere, and that the financial and business situation will be all the better for a purification. It is also believed that the country will in due senson emerge from the present depression without the sudden agency of a panic. The pertinent query is often asked here as to whether the line of demarcation between liquidation and recuperation has yet been passed. Some men of - intelligence and marked experienced ventured to think it has, whilst others of equal standing, but greater foresight it may be, hesitate to accept that sanguine view, and predict that certain signs of permanent improvement will not be visible for very many months to come, or probably until the standard of next year's harvest is fully realized. There is one pleasing if not prontable sign in the financial outlook, which should encourage commercial circles, and that is the entire absence of any prospect of stringency in the money market. Should brighter times from up in the spring to warrant the extension of business, there will be no trouble in obtaining advances from banks, and their surpluses, which even now are large, will then be vastly increased in proportion. There is a strong argument being used against the likelihood of stocks permanently advancing in the present or immediate future, and that is from the fact of business men admittedly not making money, and so long as they are not prospering they will not be in a condition or mood to sustain and advance in stocks, even if a rise was manipulated by the professionals, who have the power to do so. This argument has been shown to be conclusive here this week, for the climax of a boom has no sooner been reached than the bottom fell suddenly out of the market, there being no outsiders to sustain the boom.—Cor. Toronto Mail.

The banks in the city now open and close by standard time.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.

The oatmeal mill is running day and night, and even then can hardly fill orders as they come in.

Geo, Slade has sold his stock of dry goods and groceries to a man named Rodgers from Winnineg.

Ruling prices for grain are: No. 1 hard wheat, 71c; No. 2 mixed, 60c; No. 1 frozen, 45c; No. 2 frozen, 30c to 40c.

The West End Brewery has been closed by the collector of Inland Revenue for not complying with the law in regard to the brewing of malt.

The Marquette mills are being fitted up by Mr. Pratt, with machinery for the roller process of milling, and expects to have it in operation this week.

During the past six weeks \$15,250 of taxes has been collected. This is almost double the amount collected during the corresponding period of last year.

Foreign Grain Reports.

The importer of wheat and the English grower are equally dissatisfied with the prices obtainable for their samples-value is low, lower than it was expected to be, and at such times any improvement is slow in coming in, says the London Miller:

Norwich, as a flour manufacturing centre. complains of wheat being often now out of condition, and as the crop of the country was commonly well saved, the falling-off in quality must be owing to recent weather. In other localities the complaints are louder, for the wheat samples out of condition are often also inferior from bad harvesting. The e-rgo trule at the close of the week was the reverse of buoyant as regards wheat

In view of the harvest prospects in Australasia shippers continue to part with cargoes of the last crop at about 463.; but the quantity of either Australian, Chilian, or New Zealand wheat on offer in Mark Lane is only small, and elsewhere is quite unimportant.

The latest telegrams from France report firmness in the Paris market for wheat and flour. For immediate delivery there has been a rise of 3d. to 6d, per qr. and sack respectively.

In Germany there is increasing duliness reported in the trade in wheat and rye. Berlin quotes 3d. per qr. advance on both these staples. Hamburg is 3d, cheaper for wheat and stationary for rye, and the majority of markets, including Stettin and Dantzie, agree with Hamburg.

From Russia we hear that the central provinces have continued forwarding to the northern ports so freely that despite the exceptionally liberal exportation, over 750,000 grs. of wheat, oats, rye, and barley are now in granary. Winter is beginning to close the northern Russian ports, and now the Dwina being closed by ice, and Lulca also ice blocked, all Archangel shipments are over for the season.

Miscellaneous continental markets afford no certain index to tradecurrents Telegrams from Amsterdam and Rotterdam record an upward tendency in wheat, but Antwerp and Brussels announce that breadstuffs are a quiet business, and both Vienna and Pesth tend to favor the purchaser of wheat. In Portugal comparatively high prices prevail for wheat, so that it pays to make importations from the United States. The Spanish ports, on the other hand, are not now buying of America.

Lumber Prospects.

The season of lumber manufacturing is rapidly closing, and probably but few of the mills will be in operation after this week. There is nothing doing in the market, says Quiz of the Saginaw Courier, and there is considerable uncertainty as to the future of prices for the coarser grades, in view of the action that tariff agitators in Congress threaten. Fully one-half of the Michigan members manifest a disposition to crush the lumber industry of the state by unwise legislation. Coarse lumber at present prices, and a dull market, cannot be manufactured so as to leave a reasonable profit upon the capital invested, and if prices should be reduced a couple of dollars per M. feet, the coarse grades will be left to rot and burn up in the woods, hundreds of men will be forced to seek employment elsewhere, and the production will be confined to the best grades. Should there be no agitation tending to unsettle values, it is believed there will be a good winter tinde, and manufacturers enabled to work off coarse stocks now piled upon the docks, inasmuch as the impression exists that that the winter will be open and mild, in which event building operations will be carried on upon a scale more extensive than usual. The stocks in the Chicago yards are estimated to be 100,000,000 feet less than at this date last season, and a comparatively small proportion of it is dry. Trade at the east is reported good for the season. There is nothing worth relating doing in shingles in the valley. In the woods the weather continues favorable for cutting and skidding, but reports indicate that operators are not crowding matters .- Lumberman's Gazette.

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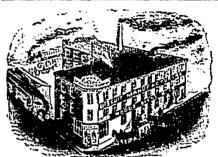
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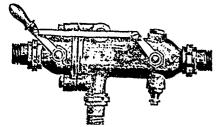
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1.22 p.m. Brandon 1.45 "
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leave Winnipeg arrive 8.30 p.m ¶ ... Hart Portage 11.40 a.m. 4.64 p.m. Going East 1.55 p.m. 8.55 p.m. Barelay 4.54 p.m. 11.40 a.m. arrive Pt. Arthur leave 1.30 p.m.

ing South.
Leave Winnipeg Arrive.
17.00 a.m. *7.35 p.m. 10.35 a.m. 17.00 a.m.
Emerson.
10.10 p.m. 4.05 a.m. 4.10 a.m.
Leave. Coing South. Going North.

10.50 p.m. 10.10 p.m. 4.0 Arrive. St. Vincont. 10.00 p.m. 10.30 p.m. 3.4 3.45 a.m. 4.00 a.m.

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97.40 a.in. leave Winnipeg arrive 8.00 p.m.
10.05 a.in. Morris 5.30 p.m.
11.50 p.in. Gretna 3.45 p.in.
4.45 p.in. arrive ManitouCity leave 8.30 a.in.

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