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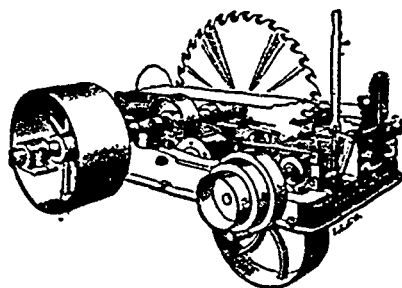
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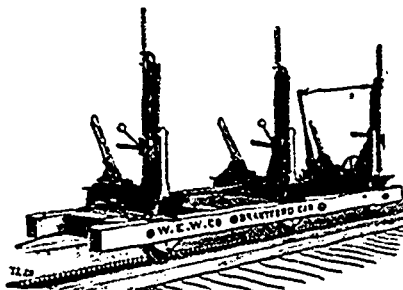
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Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, Oct. 17.—The most important happening in business circles this week was the passage of the Canadian Pacific railway exemption by-law, exempting from taxation for eighteen years the yards and works of the company, involving an annual loss to the city of \$2,217, and, of course, taxes on all improvements which may be made in the yards in the meantime, which it is said will be as a matter of fact very extensive. The result of the vote on the by-law, an actual majority of 207 and a three-fifths majority of 21, showed a remarkable change in sentiment in Vancouver as regards the Canadian Pacific railway. Five years ago a bitter feeling existed among a numerous class against the company which Vancouver owed its very existence to and for three or four years this feeling seemed to grow rather than diminish. Now all is changed. The letter writers who of old filled the newspapers here with tirades against the railway, have dropped out, and the labor people, new and always consistently opposed to any privileges being granted to the Canadian Pacific railway represented about the only opposition against the by-law.

Shipping circles are very active, 50 vessels were unloaded last week and 40 this week. There has been no such boom since the old days when fastings mill handled a fleet of lumber vessels for foreign ports every week; but that was before Vancouver was an ambitious city. The sealing fleet has arrived at Vancouver and the catch is at average one. The seal hunting off the California coast will commence in a few days and many sealers have left Victoria to engage

in it. Wholesalers throughout the province are pleased with the splendid way in which trade is being maintained, and as one jobber said, every jobbing house in Victoria and Vancouver of any consequence is doing all the business it can handle and there is still more business to be done.

New Westminster.

New Westminster's eight-day fair has come to a most successful termination and the citizens of the Royal City are gratified to think that they give to the world such a good illustration of their pluck, so soon after their great loss from the recent big fire. About 30,000 people passed through the gates, a very creditable showing for the provincial show of a sparsely settled and widely scattered population.

In the city it is found that many of the walls left standing after the fire can be used. There are a large number of buildings contracted for or in process of erection. The re-building of the court house is being hurried and the Canadian Pacific railway and electric railways are to commence building on a large scale at once while the Bank of Montreal are to commence right away.

The citizens are very angry at many of the landlords owning houses which escaped the fire, charging enormous rents, and in some cases raising the rents over those charged before the fire as much as 100 per cent. Next week an investigation will be held regarding the origin of the fire. The investigation will be open and the evidence of every one who knows anything about it will be taken under oath. The firm of Brackman & Ker, wholesale flour and feed, who have large establishments in Victoria, Vancouver, and Westminster, and in whose sheds the fire started, are very anxious to have the investigation, as they claim it can be proved that their sheds were set on fire. Their caretaker promises some revelations under oath.

B. C. Fisheries.

The halibut fishing has commenced in earnest and the question arises, should Canada allow a foreign firm to come in here and fish our banks dry of halibut? No Canadian company it is said, can compete, for the people who are carrying on the fishing here control the only market for the fish in eastern America, so the federal government have issued a special permit to allow the New England Fish company to fish to their hearts' content in the rich waters of Queen Charlotte Sound, in this province, and ship their product to Boston in bond. It is a big thing for Canada's railway, the Canadian Pacific, for the fish are carried direct across the continent in refrigerator cars, and it is a good thing for the fishermen, as they necessarily employ a large number of men and pay them well. In fact outside the unpleasant impression that the people of British Columbia have that the Yankees are tapping our natural resources and may fish our halibut banks dry the New England company with their line of halibut steamers are welcome winter visitors in our midst and make good transient citizens, as they spend every cent they can amongst us. Recently the first steamer of the season arrived at Vancouver with twenty tons of halibut, caught in the Queen Charlotte Sound in one day. They

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"The commercial traveller who carries a pistol, a pack of cards, a bottle of whiskey and a box of cigars in a satchel doesn't hold out. As a type he is rapidly disappearing. The country merchants have become educated beyond him. Goods are no longer sold on friendship. They must have merits of their own and they must be offered for sale at the right time. Anticipation is half the battle. In the development of the country the part played by commercial travellers is rarely considered. Yet it is a most important one. But it is a great deal easier to go out and do a thing than it is to tell how it is done.

"Instead of the commercial traveller's work being a picturesque spree, with good stories, good cigars and perpetual parlor car seats, it is, after all, governed by exactly the same rules as those which regulate any other business. It is the middle man between the seller and the buyer, and he must command the respect of each of them. In order to do this he can't well avoid being truthful, courteous and polite. Instead of loafing, drinking and exchanging jokes with the people along his route, he must work hard each day, say one town a day, and travel by nights to the next stopping place. It is hardly necessary to say that he must feel well and keep well to be able to do this and his digestion must be equal to almost any kind of food he finds.

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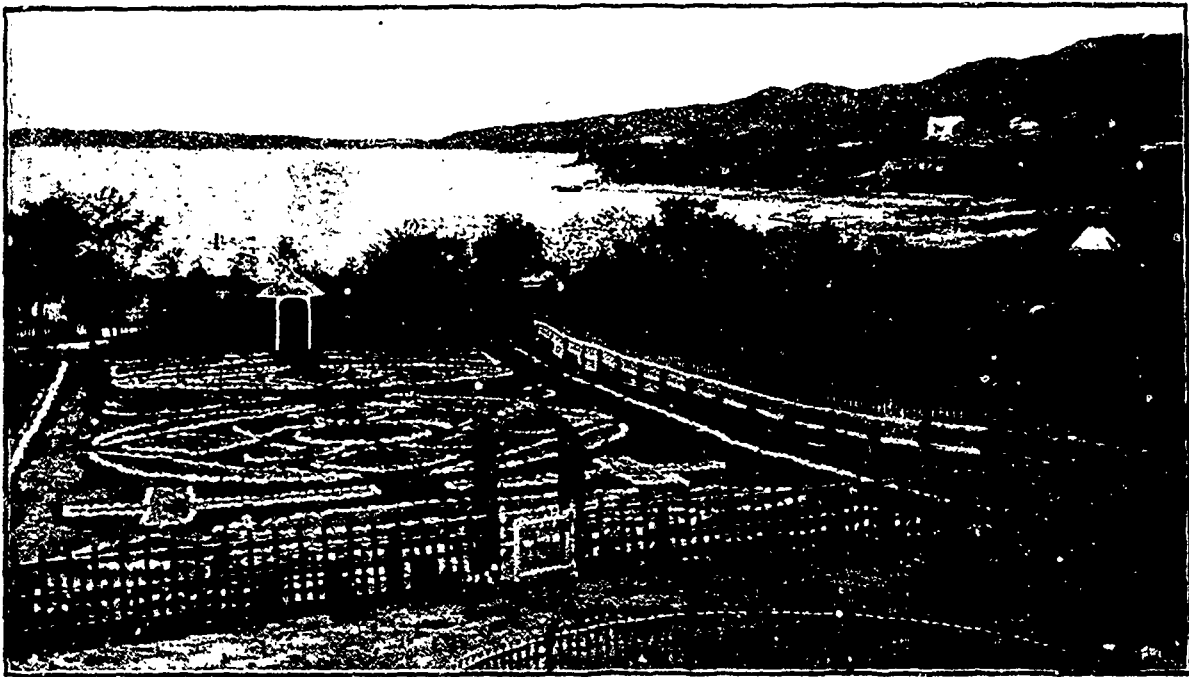
It is a peculiarity of our western rivers and streams that they almost invariably follow a course through a valley, lying much below the level of the surrounding prairie. The valleys and frequent ravines leading thereto are usually timbered with our native forest growth, including the aspen and black poplars, elm, ash, oak, box alder, cottonwood, basswood, etc., and with a thick undergrowth of small shrubbery, such as is peculiar to the country. In passing through these valleys, one would suppose that he were in a very broken and hilly forest country, when as a matter of fact by climbing to the top of the hills, possibly 100 feet or more distant, a level prairie country would break upon the vision. New settlers may easily be misled as to the nature of the country

the descent to and ascent from the valley as well as while in the valley itself, the appearance is that of a very rough, hilly country.

One of the most beautiful valleys in the west is that of the Qu'Appelle river, a view of which we give this week. Several fine lakes are formed on the course of this river, though the river itself is quite a small stream. The town of Qu'Appelle, situated near the lakes, is one of the oldest trading points in the west. Long before the days of railways and other civilizing influences, when the noble red man pursued the bounding buffalo over the plains of the Great Lone Land, Fort Qu'Appelle was an important fur trading post. The great trans-continental highway, now forming an important link in around-the-world travel, winds its way some twenty miles south of the Qu'Appelle valley. The

of \$10 each. Nothing less than a \$5 bill went in those days, and that would not go very far. Large numbers of settlers were coming in that year, and the few rigs obtainable at the new points springing up along the railway, made big money for their owners, as they were in demand for hunting up land locations.

But to return to our subject, we declined the offer of a ride on the top of a load of bales and boxes, and walked over to the Fort. It was a beautiful day in September, bright and clear, but after a long walk no sight of the fort could be obtained. We kept on, however, wondering why the place did not appear to view, and finally, after we had concluded that we had walked the allotted distance and must have taken a wrong trail, we suddenly espied the little town down below us hidden away in the beautiful val-



SCENE IN THE QU'APPELLE VALLEY FROM THE INDIAN INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

in passing through one of these valleys in a railway train. The writer, in crossing the Pembina valley in Southern Manitoba, on the Doloraine branch of the Canadian Pacific railway, once heard some new arrivals remark that they understood Manitoba was an open prairie country, but this region appeared to be nothing but rough hills and useless for agricultural purposes. The writer had to make a drawing to lead the travellers to understand that the train was simply passing along a river valley, and by climbing the hills they would find the level prairie which they had heard about. The railway leaves the prairie level west of Manton follows a ravine down to the river valley, passes along the valley for some distance and then climbs out by following another ravine. In

growth of new towns along the railway, however, has not destroyed the Fort as a trading centre, and still a considerable business is transacted at this place.

The writer well remembers his first sight of the Qu'Appelle valley. In the fall of 1882 he and a friend were inspecting the country which had just been opened to settlement by the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and we determined to visit Fort Qu'Appelle, which was then experiencing its first "boom." The railway had passed Qu'Appelle station a short time before and one or two buildings had already been erected at the station. A rig to drive to the Fort could not be obtained, but a freighter kindly offered us the privilege of riding to the Fort on top of his load, for the moderate charge

of \$10 each. Nothing less than a \$5 bill went in those days, and that would not go very far. Large numbers of settlers were coming in that year, and the few rigs obtainable at the new points springing up along the railway, made big money for their owners, as they were in demand for hunting up land locations. But to return to our subject, we declined the offer of a ride on the top of a load of bales and boxes, and walked over to the Fort. It was a beautiful day in September, bright and clear, but after a long walk no sight of the fort could be obtained. We kept on, however, wondering why the place did not appear to view, and finally, after we had concluded that we had walked the allotted distance and must have taken a wrong trail, we suddenly espied the little town down below us hidden away in the beautiful val-

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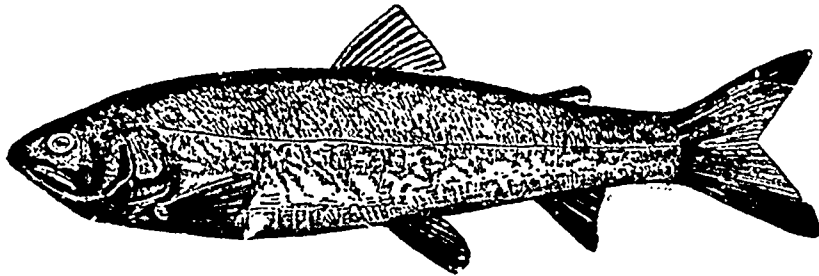
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or conditions for saving the crop, we will turn for a moment to the other side of the question. One feature which may be mentioned is, that we have not suffered this fall from prairie and bush fires, which almost annually do so much damage in the country. Another feature is the time season for fall plowing and backsetting. Our usually dry falls are not favorable for fall plowing and preparing now land for crop. In the case of new breaking, unless it is done very early in the season, the sod does not rot, and even if it is backset—a difficult job in a dry fall season—it is not in good condition for crop the following spring. This has been a fine season for preparing now and for crop, and no doubt a large area has been broken up to extend the crop acreage next year. For heavy land the soil has been rather too wet for plowing lately, but on lighter and well drained land the season has been an exceptionally favorable one for fall plowing.

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- Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, 93½c; No. 2 hard, 90½c.
- Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, 2.40@2.45; Bakers, 2.20@2.25.
- Bran—Per ton, \$8.00.
- Shorts—Per ton, \$10.00.
- Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 30@32c for new.
- Barley—Nominal at about 28@30c.
- Butter—Dairy, Shippers buying at 12@14c, and 19½@20c paid for creamery at the factory.
- Cheese—10@10½c paid to factories.
- Eggs—Buyers paying 15c net.
- Beef—City dressed, fresh, 4@5c.
- Mutton—5@6c.
- Hogs—Dressed, 6@7c.
- Veal—5@6c.
- Lambs—7@8c.
- Cattle—Butchers 2@2½; export 3@3½c.
- Hogs—Live, off cars, \$4.50 per 100 lbs for best bacon.
- Sheep—2½@2¾c off cars here; lambs, 3@3½c.
- Seneca Root—16@17c lb.
- Hides—Green city hides, 6½@7c, for No. 1.
- Hay—Baled, on track, \$6.00 @ 7.50.
- Potatoes—25@30c per bushel.
- Wool, 8@9½c for unwashed fleece.
- Poultry—Chickens, 8@10c lb; turkeys, 11@12c; geese, 9c; ducks, 10c.

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Grain and Milling.

R. H. Williams and John Moody have formed a partnership as grain dealers, at Regina, Assa., under the style John Moody & Co.

The Selkirk Trading Co. has purchased the flour mill at Selkirk, Man., and have had it overhauled. Jas. Nummery is in charge of the mill.

Mr. Wako, cattle buyer, of Minnecross, has purchased one of the elevators at Shoal Lake, and has put a buyer on that market.

The receipts of wheat at the Fort William elevators last week were, were 563,000 bushels; shipments, 480,000 bushels; in store, 835,000 bushels.

The contracts for the new Intercolonial railway grain elevator at Halifax, N. S., has been left to M. E. Keefe, of Halifax. The contract calls for its completion by January 1 next.

Special machinery for drying grain has been placed in King's elevator at Port Arthur, owing to the quantity of damp wheat in this crop. The Northern Elevator company will also place drying machinery in their Winnipeg elevator.

Up to this date last year about 10,000,000 bushels of Manitoba wheat had been delivered by farmers over half of which had been shipped east of Winnipeg, some of which was in store at Fort William and the balance shipped out via the lakes.

The farmers and merchants of Nings, Man., claim that their market has been injured by lower prices being paid there for wheat than at other points in the district. They are considering the advisability of building a flour mill or a farmers' elevator.

The report of the Winnipeg grain inspector for the week ending Oct. 15 shows the following number of cars of wheat graded: Extra Manitoba hard, 1 car, 1 hard, 113; 2 hard, 18; 1 northern, 135; 2 northern, 10; 3 hard, 6; 1 spring, 7; 2 frosted, 1; rejected No. 1, 3, rejected No. 2, 1; N. G., 3; total, 298 cars.

The Duluth inspection office in general and Chief Inspector Clausen in particular, have been in a peck of trouble over the grain inspection at Duluth, Minn., since the new wheat began to arrive. The earlier arrivals graded away off, barely 50 per cent grading contract. It was not long before a noise began to be made about it, which spread from Duluth into the country. The agitation has assumed quite an angry form. In some of the newspapers, and public meetings are also being held to denounce the inspection.

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WHEAT IN CANADA

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

Montreal	112,000
Toronto	18,000
Kingston	15,000
Winnipeg	103,000
Manitoba elevators	1,510,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	1,009,000

Total October 8 2,767,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on Oct. 8, were 19,526,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 31,320,000 bushels, and two years ago 63,955,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on Oct. 1 were 4,671,000 bushels, compared with 6,251,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ended October 15, was 14,998,000 bushels, being an increase of 2,388,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 23,930,000 bushels, two years ago 54,808,000 bushels, three years ago 46,199,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago	1,800,000 bushels
Duluth	2,376,000 "
Minneapolis	723,000 "
New York	709,000 "
Buffalo	1,094,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 5,469,000 bushels, compared with 13,383,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 22,202,000 bushels, compared with 37,740,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on Oct. 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: Oct. 1, 1898, 63,928,000; Oct. 1, 1897, 95,059,000; Oct. 1, 1896, 127,909,000; Oct. 1, 1895 153,838,000.

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets from the beginning of the crop year, August 1, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis	19,081,450	16,624,940
Milwaukee	3,390,645	2,738,064
Duluth	23,151,925	18,540,792
Chicago	10,976,133	12,694,797
Total	56,600,153	50,618,593

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1898, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo	7,901,107	6,925,196
St. Louis	6,397,194	6,426,420
Detroit	2,229,119	2,692,178
Kansas City	12,533,780	17,175,900
Total	29,061,200	32,219,694

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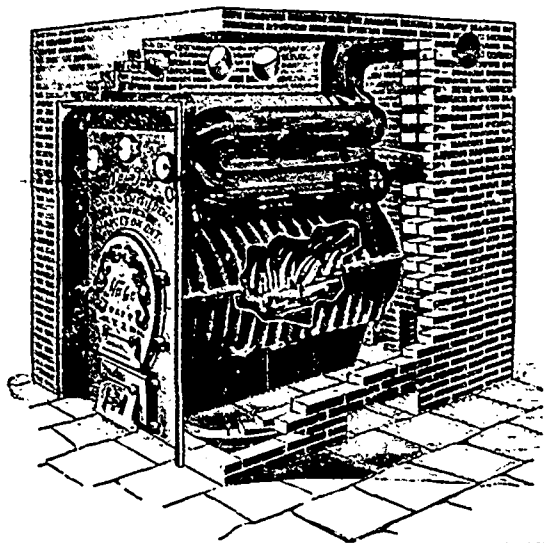
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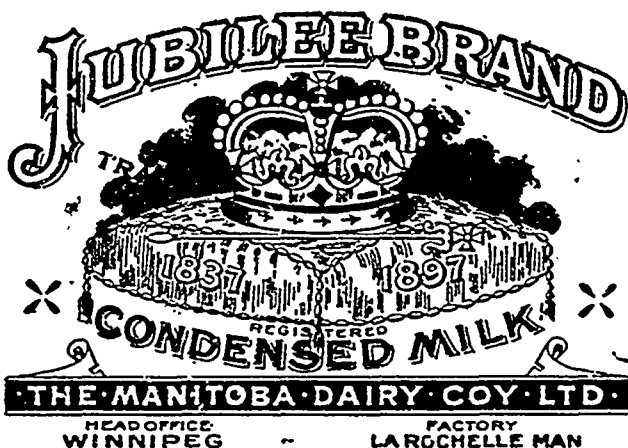
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INSURANCE

WOMAN AS A LIFE RISK.

At the annual meeting of the association of life insurance medical directors, held at Montreal, Dr. James Thorburn, medical director of the North American Life company, contributed a paper on Female Risks.

Dr. Thorburn considers that while the conditions of female life are altogether different from those of male life, and upon first consideration the inexperienced might claim that life insurance was never intended for women, except in so far as they might benefit directly by the death of the insured, the assertion is entirely fallacious, for among a certain class of females need for life insurance exists as important as among the sterner sex.

The mortality experience of the Australian Mutual Provident society, from 1849 to 1888, where the added loading of three years to the ages of all females within the child-bearing period was considered, the actual deaths among females were considerably less than the number expected, according to the society's general experience; and when healthy lives were dealt with the actual mortality was not materially in excess of that among male lives.

The experience of the Institute of Actuaries (20 British and 30 American life companies), indicates that female mortality between 20 and 45 is greater than male, and after age 45 is more favorable than male life after that age.

The experience of ten Scottish Assurance companies, extending from 1815 to 1863, demonstrated that the difference of mortality between males and females was much greater among insured lives than among the general population, but the Metropolitan Life Insurance Society of England, between 1835 and 1896, found that female lives were, upon the whole, superior to male lives, an experience at variance with that of most companies.

With regard to the condition attendant upon the insurance of female lives imposed by American and Canadian companies, thirteen companies accept women at the same rates as men. All the Canadian companies, with the exception of the Great West Life, either do not insure female lives at all, or impose upon the life selected certain conditions of premium or policy which is indicative of unfavorable mortality experience.

Dr. Thornburn, after a careful consideration of the subject of insuring women, thinks that all experience obtained and information gathered would indicate (1) that up to age 48, the female risk is not as good as the male risk; (2) that after the age of 48, the female risk is better than the male risk; (3) that the greatest danger is from parturition; (4) that the moral hazard is probably the most important factor in the question; (5) that females are more apt to conceal important facts than male applicants are; and (6) that it is impossible to secure as complete an examination of the female as of the male applicant.

INSURANCE NOTES.

Arthur Barry, of Montreal, has taken up his residence in Winnipeg, having been appointed resident inspector in the west for the North British and Mercantile Insurance company.

The American Fire Insurance Co. of New York is reported to be entering Canada. J. Boomer, Canadian manager of the Manufacturers Fire Assurance Co. will also manage the American for the Dominion.

Speaking of the liquidation of the defunct Iron hall, the Insurance Times says "The price paid for what figured as \$400,000 in the assets of the defunct Iron Hall was \$353. The sale was made by the receiver at auction. Of the so-called assets, \$250,000 was a claim against a Philadelphia bank, also deceased."

J. C. Norsworthy, of Montreal, inspector of the North British & Mercantile Insurance company, has returned from Westminster, where he has been engaged adjusting fire losses. Mr. Norsworthy says the total loss was about \$1,250,000, and the insurance aggregated \$1,100,000, most of the buildings destroyed having been insured up to 80 per cent of their value. The North British company sustained losses aggregating \$75,000.

An exchange says: The trustees of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life association in New York have elected George D. Eldridge, first vice-president and actuary to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Thos. L. James, who retired on July 6. A feeling has arisen that may lead to the retirement of President Frederick A. Burnham, and the firm of Tracey, Boardman & Platt has been retained there agent. Various reports attributed this move to dissatisfaction with an old contract with M. D. Moss as general manager and to the discontent of the fifteen-year class of members. Vice-President Eldridge is credited with saying that "the contract held by Mr. Moss, whereby he should receive 55 per cent of the first year's premiums on new business, ceased absolutely to exist on Dec. 31, 1897. An amended contract was then made and this was cancelled in the middle of last July. Relative to the reported move against President Burnham it is believed that it must be wholly due to the doubt of some members as to the wisdom of the increase which was ordered in the rates of the fifteen-year class." The report of the New York state insurance department on the affairs and condition of the Mutual Reserve Fund, which was filed at Albany on June 2, criticized some of the other methods of the association, but said in regard to the increased rates that it was apparent that during the earlier years of the association's existence, inadequate premiums were collected from the older members.

Live Stock News.

Mr. Burns of Oak Lake, Man., shipped five car loads of cattle from Oak Lake last week, making about 1,200 head in all which he has shipped this season.

D. W. Mills, of Carman, and A. McMillan, of Westbourne, Man., arrived in Winnipeg this week with cattle destined for the old country markets. Randall & Short, of Shoal Lake, Man., shipped 180 head of stock last week to Montreal. They will have another consignment to ship on Saturday.

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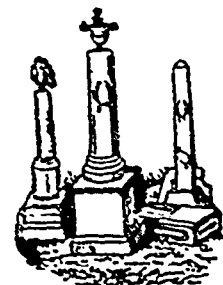
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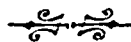
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Winnipeg Hardware and Metal Prices.

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

Tin Plates—Charcoal plates, I C, 10 x 14, 12 x 12 and 14 x 20, \$4.50@4.75; I X, same size box, \$5.75@6; I C, charcoal, 20 x 28, 112 sheets to box, \$3.50@9; I X, box, 20 x 28, 112 sheets, \$10.50@ \$11

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

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

Canada Plates—Garth and Blaina, 3.00 @ \$3.15.

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

Iron pipe is quoted as follows per 100 feet: 1/2 inch, \$2.50; 3/8 inch, \$2.75; 1/2 inch, \$3; 3/4 inch, \$4; 1 inch, \$5; 1 1/2 inch, \$7; 1 1/2 inch, \$3.50; 2 inch, \$11.50.

Lead—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2 to 5c.

Sheet Zinc—In casks, \$6.75 lb., broken lots \$7.00.

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

Ammunition—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American discount 40 per cent; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 and 5; rim fire military, American, net list; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent, shot shells, 12 gauge, \$6 @ 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 6 1/2 c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6 1/2 c. Robin Hood powder, 17 lb kegs, \$10; 4 kegs, 4 1/2 lbs, \$3; Canister, 9 oz., 60c. Loaded shells, 12 gauge, soft shot, \$20 per 1,000. No. 10 gauge, \$23.00 per 1,000.

Dupont Powder—Dupont Rifle FFG, 25-lb keg, \$5.00, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$2.75, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$6.00, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$8.50, cases of 48 1/2 lb canisters, \$9.25; Dupont Rifle FFG, 25 lb keg, \$5.25, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$3.00, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$7.00, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$9.00, cases of 48 1/2 lb canisters, \$9.75; Dominion Rifle, 25 lb keg, \$5.75, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$3, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$7, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$11, cases of 48 1/2 lb canisters, \$12; Sea Shooting Fg, 25 lb keg, \$6; Manitoba Sporting, 25 lb keg, \$5.00, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$4.25, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$9.00; cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$13.00; Eagle Ducking, 25 lb keg, \$11.00, 12 1/2 lb keg, \$5.75, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$12.00; Crystal Grain, cases of 4 6 1/2 lb kegs, \$14.00, cases of 24 1 lb canisters, \$17; Blasting, 25 lb keg, \$3.00. Dupont Smokeless powder, 12 1/2 lbs, \$22.00, 6 1/2 lbs, \$11.25, 3 1/2 lbs, \$5.75, 4 canisters, \$1.00.

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

Axes—Per box, \$6@9.

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

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

Horseshoes—Iron shoes, \$3.90; steel hors, \$4.15; Snow shoe, \$4.15 per keg.

Rope—Sisal, lb., 12c base; manilla, lb., 15 1/2 c base; cotton, 1/2 to 1/2 inch and larger, 16c lb.

Building Paper—Anchor brand plain 45c; do tarred 65c; Jubilee plain 57c; do tarred 73c.

Winnipeg Prices of Paints, Oils, Glass, etc.

Following are close jobbing prices, as to quantity:

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

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

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

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

Sundries—Glue, sheets, 15c lb; broken, 12 1/2 c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 16@ 25c. Stove gasoline, case, \$3.50; benzine, case, \$3.50. Axle grease, imperial, case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, case, \$3.75; Diamond axle grease, \$2.25 case. Coal tar, barrel, \$7. Portland cement, barrel, \$4@4.25; plaster, barrel \$3.00. Plasterers' hair, P. P., 90c bale. Putty, in bladders, barrel lots, 2 1/2 c lb., do., in 100 lb kegs, 2 1/2 c, do., less than barrels, lb, 3c. Alabastine, cases of 20 pkgs., \$6.50@ 7.50 as to color.

Window Glass—First break is quoted at \$1.90@2.20 per box of 50 feet and \$2.25 for second break; 3rd break per 100 feet, \$5.00.

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

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

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

Refined Petroleum—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 17c; crescent, 20 1/2 c; oleophene, 21c in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 2 1/2 c for cocene and 2 1/2 c for sunlight. Straight car lots Silver Star 1c less, other brands 2c less.

Winnipeg Lumber Prices.

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

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

to 2 x 12, 10 ft, \$18.00. No. 2 dimension, \$2.00 less than No. 1. Dimension, 26, 28 and 30 ft, \$26.00. Timber—26, 28 and 30 ft, \$28.00. \$1.00 per M advance on each inch over 12 inch in depth and width. Tamarac dimension same price as pine. Spruce dimension at \$2.00 per M less than pine. Cull plank, all widths at \$12.00 per M. B. C. fir dimension up to 32 feet at \$23.00 per M., 33 to 40 feet, \$30.00, 41 to 60 feet \$36.00. \$1.00 per M extra for each 2 in. over 12 in. in width or depth.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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WINNIPEG PRICES CURRENT

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Prices to retail dealers for ordinary lots, with usual discounts for cash or large lots.

Table of grocery prices including Canned Goods (Apples, Beans, Peas, etc.), Dried Fruits (Raisins, Peaches, etc.), Nuts (Almonds, Walnuts, etc.), Syrups, Canned Meats (Corn Beef, etc.), Coffee, Cereals (Split Peas, etc.), Rice, Tapioca, Cigarettes, Cured Fish, and Dried Fruits (Currants, etc.).

Table of grocery prices including Dried Fruits (Raisins, Peaches, etc.), Nuts (Brazil, Almonds, etc.), Syrups, Sugar, Salt, Spices (Allspice, etc.), Teas (China Black, etc.), and various other food items.

Table of prices for Tobacco (T. & B. Cigs, etc.), Wooden Ware (Pails, etc.), and other household goods.

CURED MEATS AND LARD

Table of prices for Cured Meats (Lard, Smoked Meats, Dry Salt Meats) and Barrel Pork.

MEAT SUNDRIES

Table of prices for Meat Sundries including Fresh pork sausage, Bologna sausage, Ham, etc.

FRESH FISH, OYSTERS

Table of prices for Fresh Fish (Whitefish, Trout, etc.) and Oysters (Smelts, etc.).

DRUGS

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

Table of prices for various drugs including Alum, Alcohol, Bleaching Powder, Borax, Camphor, Carbolic Acid, Castor Oil, etc.

LEATHER

Table of prices for various types of leather including Harness, Do., Black collar, American Oak Sole, etc.

FUEL

Table of prices for Fuel (Coal) including Pennsylvania anthracite, Stove, nut or lump, Canadian anthracite, etc.

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WHOLESALE ONLY

Manitoba.

Wm. Anderson is opening in cigars, etc., at Brandon.

Mrs. Poucher has opened business in groceries and dry goods at Dauphin.

Mrs. Alex. McDougall will open a millinery and dress making establishment at Austin.

Jacob Friesen and W. W. Peters have completed arrangements to open a furniture store at Winkler.

The bakery business in connection with Robt. Cruise's store at Dauphin, has been purchased by Chas. Hoy.

E. Sproule, of Arlon, has gone to Mackinack, on the Dauphin road, where he will open a flour and feed business.

A. T. Johnston, of Toronto, manager of the Canadian Rubber Company is in the city on a visit to the local branch.

Only 300 bushels of flax have been marketed at Plum Coulee to date, compared with 10,000 to the same date last year.

J. Y. Griffin & Co. have opened the second of their line of retail stores, which they propose establishing in the city, at 688 Main street.

Dwain S. Baker, joint local manager of the Sun Life Insurance Co., returned Thursday from a three months' trip through the west.

Jas. Ball, of St. Mary's, Ontario, has bought the tailoring business of K. Sandiman, of Souris. Mr. Ball enters into possession in another week.

It is reported from Lake Winnipeg that the cold storage ware houses and ice houses at Grand Rapids, for storing and handling fish, have been destroyed by a severe storm.

The report published in some Manitoba papers that Hallouquist & Co., of Napiwaka, had sold out to Gerhardt & Co. is not correct. Negotiations to that effect were under way, but were later dropped.

J. Griffin and family, of St. Thomas, have arrived in Winnipeg to take up their residence. Mr. Griffin is a brother of J. Y. Griffin, of J. Y. Griffin & Co., and comes to Winnipeg to assist in the management of this firm's large business.

Jos. Carman, manufacturers' agent, Winnipeg, has been appointed agent for the west for the sale of Bond's soap. This is an article which is being introduced for cleansing and polishing purposes, and it is very highly spoken of for this purpose. It is not an ordinary laundry soap, but is specially designed for china wares and similar household articles. Country merchants could no doubt handle this line to advantage.

Alberta.

Frank Gooie is opening a restaurant at Edmonton.

Mrs. E. A. Knapp has opened a millinery store at South Edmonton.

James H. Dunn, barrister, of Halifax, N. S., has opened a law office at Edmonton.

James McDonald and A. E. Potter, of Edmonton, have formed a partnership as auctioneers and dealers in second-hand goods.

The Calgary Brewing and Malting company will erect an elevator in connection with their brewery at a cost of about \$15,000.

White & Bellevue, of the Queen's hotel, Edmonton, have purchased 100

feet of Main street property west of the Hutton block, and will erect thereon a large three storey brick hotel.

British Columbia Items.

M. Haighton, dry goods, Trail, advertises moving to the coast.

Wm. McLeod, tailor, New Westminster, succeeded by Mrs. Jas. A. Caldwell.

The Arlington hotel, Vancouver, will be taken over by James H. Russell, of Kamloops.

Thos. Galon and E. King, commission dealers, Nelson, have dissolved partnership.

The tax-exemption by-law has been carried at Vancouver. In view of this exemption the Canadian Pacific Railway company proposes expending \$700,000 in Vancouver, chiefly in water front improvements.

The George Bertram company, of Toronto, have finished building a steel steamer for the Canadian Pacific railway, at Nakusp. This steamer which will ply from Arrowhead to Robson, is 175 feet long and thirty-four feet wide.

George R. Gordon, wholesale clothing, Vancouver, and others, have incorporated as the Geo. R. Gordon Co., Ltd., capital \$100,000. The applicants for incorporation are Geo. R. Gordon, Chas. Putnam, T. Mathews, G. McIntyre and E. D. Putnam.

The Dominion department of marine will probably be asked to very materially moderate the new salmon fishing regulations which come into operation on Jan. 1st, 1899. G. R. Maxwell, M. P., has promised to urge on Sir Louis Davies that regulations should not apply to Skeena and Nass rivers, nor to Rivers Inlet, but only to Fraser river. Further, he will request that certain restrictions on the Fraser river fishermen and canneries be removed.

At a meeting held at Golden it was decided to organize a body called the Golden Board of Trade. H. G. Parson was elected president; J. G. Ullock, vice-president; E. A. Haggan, secretary-treasurer; and W. McNeish, C. A. Warren, M. Dabard, and C. H. Parson the council. The secretary was instructed to communicate with the provincial government representing the desirability of moving the court house, gaol and other public buildings from Donald to Golden, now that Donald was being abandoned as a divisional railway point, and to the Canadian Pacific Railway telegraph department urging that the dispatching and repeating station of the Pacific division be moved to Golden.

Coal.

Information from Duluth says:— There is little change in the anthracite situation this week, except that the ruling price has declined to \$4.25 a ton wholesale. Last week that figure was only made in cases where there was to be immediate shipment. It is now firm at that figure. The movement to the interior is good. Bituminous coal also has changed little. There is a good demand for coal for domestic purposes, and a good deal of smelting coal has also been shipped. Prices remain the same, \$2.25 for Hocking and \$2.35 for Youghogheny.

Onions from Australia were received in the Winnipeg market this week.



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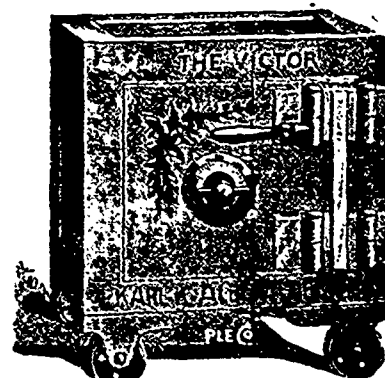
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FINANCIAL

Winnipeg Clearing House.

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

Week ended Sept. 15, 1898 \$2,105,146
Corresponding week, 1897 3,080,572
" " 1896 1,964,483

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

	1898	1897	1896
January	6,347,168	5,099,819	4,977,200
February	5,517,000	3,851,000	4,052,000
March	5,968,000	4,289,000	4,286,000
April	6,210,000	4,167,000	4,032,000
May	8,683,364	5,014,786	4,246,201
June	7,396,000	5,531,000	4,094,000
July	6,316,238	5,616,603	4,961,277
August	6,180,385	6,208,574	4,646,959
September	6,414,551	8,035,201	4,630,700

Financial Notes.

Wm. Montgomery, superintendent of the York County Loan and Savings company at Winnipeg, has severed his connection with the institution.

A clearing house has been established in Vancouver, and the returns for the week ending October 20 show clearings of \$580,801.

The Canadian Bankers' association will hold their annual meeting in Toronto on Oct. 26. D. R. Wilkie, general manager of the Imperial bank, will preside.

A branch of the Bank of Ottawa is being opened at Montreal. R. B. Kesson, manager of the Toronto branch of the bank has been appointed manager at Montreal.

A private cable dispatch says that the mayor of Winnipeg, who is in London in connection with the negotiation of the waterworks bonds, has not offered the new bonds and will not attempt to place them owing to unfavorable conditions arising out of an increase in the Bank of England's discount rate.

Mayor Andrews, who went to England in connection with the new city waterworks, is returning. It is not known for what purpose the mayor went to London, as the appointment was made at a secret meeting of the city council. It is supposed he went to negotiate the sale of bonds, but no announcement of this nature has been made.

Grocery Trade Notes.

A sharp cut in the price of plug tobacco has been made at New York.

The Toronto Retail Grocers' association does not like the recent shortening of credits from 30 and 90 days to 10 days, recently announced by the wholesale grocers.

Regarding the situation in canned goods a New York report says: "Salmon is the firmest of all canned goods now, prices being held at the present high level because of the short supplies of all varieties. Mail advices from the coast indicate that the run of colicos in the Fraser river is light. Sales at \$3.50 per case are reported for Canada shipment, but recently all offers are withdrawn. Dealers think this means further advance. Fraser river sockeyes are reported from the same source to be selling at \$4.75 to

\$5 per case for Canada shipment. From Puget Sound come reports that packers are paying 10c to 12c a fish, showing that the run must be very unsatisfactory. This is said to be double the price paid a year ago. Steelheads on the Columbia river are reported as selling at 5c per pound for eastern shipment. Silversides have advanced to 13-1c and will probably go to 2c. Cannerymen are naming 95c per dozen, provided anything is left after orders are filled."

The Montreal Gazette says: The first direct steamer, the Escalona, from Denia, with dried fruit, has arrived in port and a feature this season is that she had only about 2,000 boxes of Valencia raisins on board on consignment outside of what came on direct orders. The market is still in an unsatisfactory and demoralized condition, owing to the fact that fruit is being offered by some agents in western Ontario at fully 1-2c to 1c per lb. below what other agents state that it can be imported for, and as the bulk of the stock will be on the second steamer buyers, in consequence, are holding off in order to see the quality of the same before making purchases at higher prices for well known brands. Cables received this week from Denia report the market very firm at 12s to 13s off stalk; 14s to 14s 6d for fine off stalk; 18s to 18s 6d for selected, and 20s to 21s for layers. On spot some sales of layers have been made at 5 3-4c; selected at 5 1-2c, and fine off stalk, at 4 3-4c; but the latter grade is being offered as low as 4c.

Lumber Trade Notes.

The Minneapolis Lumberman says: Minneapolis sash and door manufacturers who are seeking trade in Manitoba find that the new sash and door factory at Rat Portage is a hot competitor. This plant is just completed and is more nearly modern than any such plant in northwestern Canada.

Among the lumber manufacturers in Winnipeg this week were: D. C. Cameron, Rat Portage; J. A. Christie, Brandon; H. W. Kennedy, Keewatin; Geo. Grahame, Fort William; Mr. Vignars, of Port Arthur; F. Hixon, Lacrosse, Wis.; and T. H. Shelvin, Minneapolis. There was nothing significant in the gathering.

The Canadian Lumberman, published at Toronto, says: "An estimate of twenty-five million feet has been made as the amount of lumber that will be imported into Manitoba and the Territories from the United States this year. This is as against some sixteen million feet last year. The lumber consumption of the west is yearly increasing; farmers are more prosperous and are spending more money in the erection of buildings. As the country becomes still further populated, even a much greater quantity of lumber will be consumed. So much regarding the importance of the market. Then why should we permit the benefit of these improved conditions to be shared by the United States, which has erected a tariff wall between the two countries so far as lumber is concerned? Until we are allowed free entry of our timber products into the United States we should at least exclude the importation of United States lumber." The Lumberman seems to entirely overlook the fact that the western consumer should be entitled to some say in this matter.

Hardware and Paint Trade.

The United States window glass plants did not resume work on October 15 as expected, owing to the strike of cutters and flatteners.

A Montreal report says: The feature of the trade is still the strong feeling in glass, and a further advance in prices would have taken place this week only some of the trade thought it would be better to wait and see what quantity had to come forward during the balance of the season, so now it is not likely any higher prices will rule until after the close of navigation.

The Montreal Gazette says: As a result of the steady rise in the cost of raw material, the makers this week withdrew prices on black iron pipe and issued a new list, calling for an advance of 3 per cent. Jobbers naturally are asking a proportionate rise the range on black pipe now being from \$2.80 to \$9 per 100 feet, according to size. This is the second rise inside of a fortnight on black pipe, values now being from 30 to 75c per 100 feet higher than they were two weeks ago. Galvanized pipe, which was advanced last week is unaltered.

Mining Notes.

The output of iron ore in Ontario shows a marked increase over that of last year to date.

The management of the Iron Colt of Roseland is making arrangements to resume work on the property at once.

Of the Ontario Boulder Gold Mining company, Gifford, the manager, states that the machinery is all on the ground, and the sawmill running, cutting timber for the plant.

It is reported from Roseland, B. C., that the Velvet Mines company is considering the advisability of putting in machinery at once on its property, the Velvet, on Sophie mountain.

A ten stamp mill will be started to work this week at the Golden Star mine, Selma River, there being large quantities of ore on the dump ready to be crushed.

Old Cariboo still continues to turn out the yellow metal in liberal quantities. The last express company's stage arrived with \$36,000 from the Cariboo Hydraulic Mining company's properties. This sum is the result of the recent clean-up and brings the total of this season's results to \$101,000.

Taxada Island, up the coast from Vancouver, is again attracting much attention. English companies are securing prospects, and Millionaire Rockefeller is paying attention to the island. It is reported that the Old Iron mine on the island has been sold to the Union Iron works, of San Francisco. The Standard Oil people are also said to have secured control of some Taxada properties.

The fellow who has a quantity of \$10.50 coal held over from last year, feels somewhat mean with coal now selling at seven or eight dollars per ton.

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The Outlook for Wheat.

"An abundant crop coming upon nearly empty granaries and empty barns the world over is a very different matter to a large crop following a previous large crop," says the London Statist. "In other words, it may be said that while the present season's wheat production is doubtless 330,000,000 quarters, at least 310,000,000 quarters of this quantity are absolutely required for consumption during the present season and the remaining 20,000,000 quarters will be perfectly easily absorbed in only partly filling the gap made in the world's ordinary reserve stocks during the past two years of insufficient production. Nobody probably can tell what the world's wheat reserves really amount to, but it is certain that they now are 40,000,000 quarters less than they have been in some seasons during the last fifteen years, and they are certainly 25,000,000 quarters less than they were last year. The present position of the wheat market may therefore be regarded as a safe one; what the future has in store is largely a question of how much wheat Argentina produces this coming harvest. At present all that we know in this connection is that rain is greatly desired and that the destructive locusts are again threatening the crop. A big crop harvested in December-January next without much doubt would, under ordinary circumstances, mean still lower prices; a small crop would probably keep prices at about their present level of 30s per quarter. The absence of old stocks of wheat in America, where in some years, 20,000,000 to 25,000,000 quarters have been carried over, is particularly felt, and the terrors of a big crop, from a price point of view, grow less as the season advances. The present estimates vary from 600,000,000 to 700,000,000 bushels, and the mean of these two extremes—viz. 650,000,000 bushels—is regarded as a very reasonable figure. The distribution of this amount will probably be somewhat as follows:

	Bushels.
Required for exportation...	175,000,000
Required for food and seed	
at home	380,000,000
Reconstruction of reserve	
stocks	75,000,000
Total	630,000,000

Surplus..... 20,000,000

What this means is that in case Argentine wheat fails this year America can be looked to for 20,000,000 bushels more than she would otherwise export."

Printed Cotton.

The course of business for several seasons preceding the present one had shown that the regular fancy printed cotton had declined in popularity as a dress fabric. It has gradually been supplanted in its own particular field by printed goods of wider and finer character, available to consumers at prices which not long ago were deemed not too high for the ordinary print. These goods were more "dressy" in appearance, and had the further recommendation that they cut up to better advantage than the narrow prints.

Naturally the printed cotton mills were not blind to this change in the trend of fashion and there were few of them who gradually did not reduce their stock of fancy prints and

increase their production of specialties, but even with this curtailment each season showed prints reaching a lower level of values than before, with the usual sacrifice of unsold stocks at the close in efforts to clean up.

When the present fall season opened this cleaning-up had, it was believed, left the primary market in good shape. Business prospects throughout the country were decidedly promising and, in the expanded trade which seemed certain, it was natural to expect that the fancy print would more or less participate, particularly as despite these prospects prices, by reason of extended discounts, were made lower than ever before.

The new lines shown were without exception admirable examples of the printers' skill. Patterns ranged from simple effects to most elaborate designs, and apparently there was nothing omitted calculated to prompt buyers into free operations. The start was satisfactory, good initial orders were received from all parts of the country, and with the lessened output it seemed at one time as though the season's supply would be readily cleaned up without any special measures being taken to bring about that condition. Then there ensued a pause, and later orders came along in quite cautious fashion. A few lines meeting with special favor and these, as it noted were such as had made small neat effects the most prominent feature, were at no time in doubt as to disposing of their product, but there were others whose stocks moved with disappointing slowness. The situation was soon complicated by what appeared to be unnecessary cutting of prices on fancy prints by western houses and to avail themselves of whatever increased outlet such action might create agents cut their prices also. As a result the market, instead of closing the season steadily, shows as great irregularity as at the close of recently preceding seasons.

How far the print cloth situation may have been an influence in bringing about this condition it is not easy to say. Cloths are no lower in price now than when the season opened, and in the interval have been slightly higher, and stocks have certainly been materially reduced. On the face of it therefore they ought not to have been a weakening element, and yet it is difficult to resist the conclusion that a belief in the instability of the cloth market has contributed to the conservatism of print buyers and to the weakness of print sellers.—Canadian Trade Review.

A United States Opinion.

Here is what the leading commercial paper in the United States, the New York Daily Commercial Bulletin, has to say on the subject of trade with Canada:

"Our attitude toward Canada would be unwise were it nothing more than an application to the Dominion of the general theory of restricting importations. But it is more than that. The politicians who are now carrying on national affairs desire to injure our trade with Canada as compared with other countries. We are willing to make reciprocal trade concessions with all other American countries but not with Canada, and yet in spite of trade obstructions Canada is as good a customer as all the rest of the American continent. We are willing to

enter into reciprocal trade relations with the countries of Continental Europe, but not with England, by far our best customer, or with Canada, our best customer on this continent. We are trying to injure the nations that buy hundreds of millions of us, and are soliciting trade favors from the people who buy hundreds of thousands. We have undertaken to prescribe our own commerce if it touches the soil of Canada, and some of our citizens are cackling with delight over the belief that we have struck a heavy blow at the shipping trade of a country whose purchase of our foodstuffs and cotton are absolutely necessary to give our farmers even a reasonable degree of prosperity. With the perfectly obvious fact that the cost of transportation is the only protection the English farmer has, and that the lower it is the less there is deducted from the American farmer's receipts, we have undertaken to make the transport of freight across the Atlantic cost more than it does now. We have struck at the trade of every country, we have turned back the hands upon the clock of our own maritime progress, our politicians are groping around in attics and cellars for weapons of commercial warfare that were discarded a century ago, and we are doing this at a time when our manufacturing plants far exceed the requirements of the home market and exports of manufactures are expanding in the most gratifying manner, and when our farmers, barring an exceptional year like the present, have more to fear from foreign competition than ever before."

Deferred Payments.

Following is the principal clause of an act introduced in the legislature of the state of New York:

All debts that may be hereafter contracted in the ordinary course of trade by a merchant may become immediately due and payable at the option of the creditor, though the time limited for the payment thereof shall not have expired, whenever such debtor or person principally liable shall make any general assignment for the benefit of creditors or shall suspend payment of his business debts, or, being insolvent, shall transfer or mortgage his property or suffer or procure the same to be levied upon by execution or attachment, with the intent to prefer or defeat one or more of his creditors. The provisions of this act, however, shall not be so construed as to mature a debt against a surety guarantor or person secondarily liable, nor any claim or demand which shall have been secured by mortgage, pledge or other transfer, until the creditor holding the security shall surrender the same.

Dry Goods Trade.

A cloth dipped in alcohol or glycerine, and rubbed over the glass will prevent the frosting of store windows."

A gentleman in the wool business, who has lately made a tour of Ontario woollen mills reports finding them all busy. Indeed, some of them are obliged to decline orders. This is more particularly the case with those manufacturers who produce cheap flannels. At the same time they are not free buyers of wool, and are indisposed to agree in the necessity for an advance in price of foreign wools which the recent London wool sales clearly indicate.

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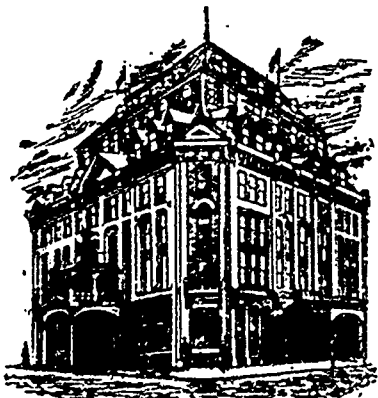
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Territorial Creameries.

Mr. J. A. Kinsella, superintendent of the Northwest creameries, is in the city, a guest at the Clarendon hotel. Mr. Kinsella is here on business connected with the shipment of two carloads of butter to the British Columbia markets. He says the present season has proved the success of Prof. Robertson's system of small refrigerator storages at the creameries. This summer part of the June and all of the July make of butter was held without injury at the creameries. The butter on being shipped now is found to be in excellent condition. About three and a half cents a pound has been cleared for the farmers by holding the season's make until the present.

"The prospects for a very large crop of wheat in the Territories this year were the very best," said Mr. Kinsella, "until the beginning of this month, and now with rain and snow almost half of it is going to be injured or spoiled altogether. This experience ought to impress upon the farmers the necessity of going into mixed farming to a greater extent, rather than depend entirely on one line. At the beginning of this season the farmers stated to those canvassing for the creameries that it would pay them to let their cows go dry with wheat a dollar a bushel. Few of the farmers seemed to realize the small chance there was for wheat remaining at so high a figure."

Candied Peel.

The making of candied peel or what we call citron is a complicated process. A correspondent in Italy of the Table in London gives an account of a visit to a factory devoted to this industry. The fruit from which the finished product is made is very like a large lemon eight or ten pounds in weight. It grows in groves in Corsica and Calabria upon trees about six feet in height. The first process is to cut the fruit in halves and take out the cores, which are discarded. The peel is then sealed in barrels of salt water for two or three weeks. It is then withdrawn and soaked for twenty-one days in succession of syrups, beginning with eight parts of sugar to twenty of water until the final one contains twenty parts of sugar to one water. The fruit thus treated is then cooked in a number of large caldrons, where it simmers for twenty-four hours. When cool it is skimmed, cooked again with fresh syrup, cooled and cooked a third time. While still hot it is packed in wooden boxes, in which it is sold by whole-

sale. The peel thus treated will keep for ten years, although the fresher it is the better. The slightly bitter flavor of preserved citron is caused by the soaking in salt water. Two hundred people are employed in the factory. The women receive 18 cents a day.

New Shoe Samples.

There are features about the new season's samples that commend them to the good sense as well as taste of those interested in shoes. There has been for some time past a commendable tendency toward amelioration of the senseless multiplicity of styles. There is noticeable in the spring goods this season less of the brain twisting nightmare of gingerbread decorations that have made shoe designing a by-word. In perhaps no other line of manufacture is there greater scope for the lunatic who wishes to let loose his vagaries upon his fellows than in the making of shoes. Some of the designs one sees illustrated in shoe papers ought to be the death of the editors of the papers giving them place as well as the originators. Some people imagine that they have only to take a shoe shape, and let their pencil or cutting knife run riot over it and they have a new style. Fortunately it appears that we are in for a quieter time. Bright flashy styles and senseless ornamentation are giving place to pleasing shades and sensible shapes. Toes are drifting towards common sense ideals, which is a healthy sign for the retailer as well as the individual. Retailers ought to put up a strong fight against this multiplying of lines. It really bears on them as much as anyone. They have to carry large stocks on which they pay interest, wear and tear and other expenses, besides increasing the cost of manufacture all round.—Canadian Shoe Journal.

Great Forests in India.

Few people have any idea of the immense forest area in British India—a valuable asset which is now being systematically preserved. At the present time the reserves of the forest cover an area of nearly 75,000 square miles, and they may be hereafter further extended in Madras and Burma, where the work of reservation is as yet incomplete. Outside these reserves are about 56,000 square miles of state forests, some of which will eventually be brought within the reserve area. This means that there are in India practically for all time forests which would completely cover the United Kingdom. The mountain slopes of the Western Ghats are still covered with the vegetation of the primeval forests.

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BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, Oct. 22, 1898.

Prices are about the same for butter. Quotations below are for choice goods. Held stock sells much lower. Eggs firm. Cheese a shade higher.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 22@23c; Choice Dairy, jobbers price, 18c.

Eggs—Local, 35c; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 17½@18½c; Pickled eggs 18½@19c.

Cheese—Ontario, 11@11½c, jobbers price
Cured Meats—Hams 12½@13c; breakfast bacon 12½@13c; backs 12½@13c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11 @ 12½c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per lb, in pails and tubs 9½c lb.

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

Vegetables—Potatoes, 9@10 per ton; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, 5@5.50 box; bananas, bunch \$2.50; peaches, \$1.25 @ 1.10; grapes, \$1.50 @ 1.60; pears, \$1 @ 1.25 box; apples, 65c; tomatoes, 3c lb; Valencia oranges, \$2.75; watermelons, \$2.50 doz.; nutmeg melons, \$2.00.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.60; 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10 7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$5.10; strong bakers \$4.80; Oregon, jobbers price, \$4.75.

Grain—Oats, 18.00 @ \$20.00 per ton; wheat, 23.00@25.00 per ton;

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

Hay—\$8 to \$10 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 6@7½c; mutton 10@10½c; pork 10c; veal 10@10½c; Pemmican 40c lb.

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

Poultry—Chickens, \$4 @ \$6 dozen.

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

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

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

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

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 13c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

The report of the provincial department of agriculture for the year ending December 31, 1897, has been issued. It gives reports of the crop of last year, and reports of various officials of the department, etc. Such enterprise is highly commensurable.

Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, Oct. 22.

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$14.00.
Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.35 @ 1.45; band iron, \$1.85 for Canadian and \$2.00 for imported; hoop iron \$2.

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

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

Lead—Pig, 4c; sheet, 4½ @ 4½c per lb; shot, can., dis. 7½ per cent; pipe, ordinary, 7c; composition waste, 7½c with dis. 25 per cent.

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

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

Sheet Zinc—6½@6½c per lb.

Antimony—10½@11c; solder 12½c@13.

Ingot Copper—12½c@13 per lb.

Ingot Tin—19@19½c.

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

Tinplates—Cokes, \$3.00@3.10 for 14x20; do, squares, \$3.15@3.25; \$6.25 for 20x23; charcoal plates, \$3.50@3.60 basis for good brands.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., 1 to 1 inch, \$2.25; 1 inch, \$2.25@2.30; 1 ¼ inch, \$2.65@2.70; 1 in, \$3.75@3.80; 1 ½ in, \$4.85 @4.90; 1 ¾ inch, \$6.45@6.50; 2 inch, \$8.70 @8.80. Galvanized, 1 inch, \$3.55@3.60; 1 ¼ inch, \$4.30@4.35; 1 inch, \$6; 1 ½ in., \$8.25 @8.50; 1 ¾ inch, \$10.50; 2 inch, \$14.25.

Barb Wire—\$1.75, terms 30 days or 2 percent., ten days f.o.b. Toronto.

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

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

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

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

Screws—Flat head bright, \$7½c; round head bright, 50; flat head brass, \$2½; round head brass, 75 per cent.

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

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

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.70, and in 100-foot boxes, \$3.20; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$4.75. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

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

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

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 10c; ¾ in., 10½c; 1 and 5-16 in., 11c; Manila, 7-16 and larger, 11½c; ¾, 12c; 1 and 5-16, 13.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, Oct. 22.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4½c; yellows, 3 13-16@4½c.

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

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

Coffees—Green, Rio, 7½@11½c; Mocha, 23c@25c; Java, 30c@32c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, 90@95c; peas, 80@85c; sifted peas, \$1.05@1.20; corn, 85@90c; beans, 70@90c; pumpkins, 70@75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.50, raspberries, 2's, \$1.60@1.90, peaches, 2's, \$1.65@1.75; 3's, \$2.40@2.50. Cohoes Salmon, \$1.15@1.20; sock-eyes, \$1.50@1.60; lobsters, halves, \$1.75, tall lbs, \$2.80; flats, \$3.25.

Nuts—Marbots, 10c; filberts, Sicily, 9c; Grenoble Walnuts, 12@13c.

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

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk 5½c; fine off-stalk, 6c; selected, 6½c; layers, 6½@7c; Provincial, currants, 6@6½c; Filiatras, 6½@7c; Patras, 7c; Vostizzas, 7½@8c. California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 10½ @ 14c; pears, 9c @ 10c; prunes, 70's to 80's 7½ @ 8c; 80's to 90's 7@7½c; 90's to 100's, 6½@7c. Bosnia prunes, 5½@6½c; Sultanas, 9½c@13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @ 15c per lb; citron, 18c @ 20c; lemon 11c @14c. Hallowee dates, 5@5½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.30@1.50 per box; black baskets, \$2.00; blue baskets, \$2.25; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 55c; Debesia, clusters \$1.25.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 25c; Cochin, 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15 @ 18c; Amboy, 18 @ 25c; allspice, 20c; nutmegs, 50c@51; cream tartar, pure, 25@28c, and 15c@23c for compound.

PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$16.00@16.50 for Canada mess; short cut, \$17; clear mess, \$15.50.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 8½@8½c, ton and case lots, 8½ @9c.

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

Lard—Tubs, 7½c; pails, 7½c.

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THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, Oct. 22.

The continued unfavorable weather is having a bad effect on business, both as regards the present demand and future prospects. The very small quantity of the crop so far disposed of leaves the money market still very close. Money has not begun to circulate to any extent yet as a result of the crop movement, and this of course has a bad effect on business. In addition to the delay in harvesting the crop, and the damage thereto from the continued damp weather, there are other ways in which the weather has tended to check business. All outdoor work such as railway construction, building, etc., has been delayed. The bad state of the country roads is another feature which has tended to check business.

Last week the weather was considerably better than the previous week. Threshing out the crop was resumed for a few days, and it was hoped that at last fine weather had set in. These hopes were doomed to disappointment. At the end of the week the rain again began to ascend, and this week has been very unfavorable. The amount of rain which fell this week was not very great, but the weather was almost continuously cloudy and dark. With such conditions prevailing, and the ground soaked with previous heavy rains, it only required a little sprinkle now and again to keep every thing exposed damp and wet. In some sections there was more or less snow. In others mostly rain. As a result scarcely anything has been done this week toward forwarding the position of the crop.

It is quite impossible to give any reliable estimate of the damage to the crop, as a result of the prolonged rainy weather. Some people will presume to make mathematical calculations as to the number of bushels damaged or destroyed. Such estimates are only wild guesses. No reasonably safe estimate can be made until we have had a season of fine weather to permit threshing to be resumed for some little time. After threshing has gone on for a week or two, we will know something about the condition of the crop. It is to be feared that the damage to grain in stack, however, is serious. The usual dry harvest seasons which are the rule in Manitoba have engendered carelessness on the part of farmers as to the manner of stacking their crops and it is to be feared that many stacks would not successfully withstand the driving rain of three weeks ago. This is the storm which did the damage. The moist weather of this week was not so serious, beyond delaying the work of threshing and running it into the winter season. Reports from the country regarding

the condition of stacks are very conflicting. Some say they are destroyed, and others say they are all right. No doubt both these statements are true as applied to individual cases. We can only wait until threshing is resumed to tell the tale.

The situation is certainly discouraging, after the bright prospects of a few weeks ago. One particularly discomfiting feature is the large sales of goods now delivered for the fall and winter trade. Purchases of goods for the fall and winter trade have been the largest on record in this country, and should the worst fears be realized regarding the crop, there will have to be a great deal of nursing of accounts to tide over the situation, as well as the carrying over of stocks which it was expected would go quickly into consumption.

Of the new crop only about 3,500,000 bushels have so far been brought to market, and a good deal of this is being held by farmers in elevators, for higher prices. Roughly about three-quarter million bushels have been shipped east via the lakes; over three-quarter millions more are in store at Fort William and about 2,000,000 bushels are held at interior points in elevators. Farmers are of course also holding considerable threshed grain in their private granaries. The bulk of the crop, however, is still in stack, and some is still in the stack—over three-quarters of the crop still unthreshed.

Bank clearings at Winnipeg continue about \$1,000,000 under corresponding weeks of last year, but were a little larger this week than for the corresponding week of two years ago.

WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, Oct. 22

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

GREEN FRUITS.

The market has been very bare of oranges. Only a few California late Valencias have been obtainable, and these of small sizes running 300 to 324 count. A few bananas are arriving. New crop California lemons were coming in toward the end of the week, and prices are easier. A few plums and peaches were obtainable this week, but these lines are practically out of season now, and it is not likely any more will come in, particularly plums. Pears have been scarce. It has been difficult to keep up a supply lately. A few crabs are still obtainable. New cider and new crop chestnuts are the only new lines in this week. Prices are: Oranges, late Valencia, \$3.50 a box; bananas, a bunch, \$2 to \$2.50 as to size; California lemons, \$6.50 to \$7 per box; peaches, \$1.25 per box; British Columbia plums,

75c per box; Washington blue plums, \$1 per box; pruno plums, \$1.15 per box; Oregon pears, \$2 to \$2.25; California winter Nellis pears, \$2.75 box; Ontario apples, \$2.50 to \$3 per barrel; crab apples, \$1.50 to \$5 per barrel; crabs in boxes, \$1.75 per box; California grapes, \$2.50 for four basket crates; Ontario grapes, 10 lb. baskets, concord, 23c to 25c; Ontario pears, 40 to 50c per basket, as to quality; cranberries, Cape Cod, \$8.50 barrel; sweet potatoes, \$5.00 barrel; coconuts, \$1 per dozen; Ontario chestnuts, 15c per pound; Sicily filberts, large, 11 to 12c per pound; Graubie walnuts, 14c; Tarragona almonds, 12 1-2 to 13c; peanuts, green, 9c; roasted, 12c; pecans, 14 to 15c, strained honey, 7 1-2 to 10c per pound; maple sugar, 11 to 12c; syrup per dozen half gallon tins, \$6.50; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels.

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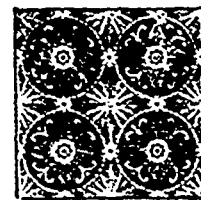
New currants are now in the market and prices show a sharp drop, new fruit selling fully 1c under jobbers' prices for old stock. New California muscatel raisins are also now offering in the market, and prices are firmly held at 1-2 to 3-4c over quotations for old stock. The outlook is for a firm market for California raisins. Granulated sugar has been reduced 1-8c in sympathy with the easier market east. In canned goods the firmness in vegetables continues. Corn has been marked up 10c per case. Canned salmon continues its upward tone. Cohoes are now held higher. B. rice has been reduced 1-8c. Unpeeled peaches continue very firm and are quoted 1 to 11-2c higher this week.

HARDWARE AND PAINTS.

There have been no further changes in prices. The situation in glass remains very firm and it is thought probable that an advance will be made in prices by the first of November. Linseed oil is also very firm. Business is quieter.

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WOOD.

Tenders for 500 to 800 cords of dry, green cut tamarac wood for fuel for the Winnipeg civic buildings were received as follows: J. G. Hargrave, per cord, \$1.85; Wm. Scott, \$1.75; Kelly Bros. & Co., \$1.89; D. D. Wood, \$1.65, delivered at the buildings. The last of these, being the lowest, was accepted.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—The wheat markets the past week have seen more activity than in any week since the exciting times last May. At the end of last week a heavy demand began to show up at New York and other Atlantic ports, for wheat for shipment to the continent of Europe. The demand from England, which has been on a moderate scale, was stimulated by this continental demand, which was rather unlooked for, and between the two, the export sales for one or two days at New York and Baltimore were unprecedentedly large. Simultaneously with this, bad weather became prevalent over the North-west spring wheat country, and then to cap the climax, another war scare was sprung on the English market on Thursday morning. The effect of all this was to advance prices four cents per bushel, between Saturday and Thursday's close. Yesterday a relapse took place and about 11-2c of the advance was lost. Receipts at primary points in the States continue large but demand for wheat and flour is also large, so that accumulation of reserves is slow. There has been more propitious weather over Europe for

the seeding of the winter wheat there. The winter wheat in the United States is keeping the good start it has had, and considerable increase in acreage receives further confirmation. The Australian crop, which was giving such excellent promise, is reported damaged by drought, but to what extent is not yet known; harvest begins in that country during the next few weeks. Some reports have recently appeared about the Argentine crop being touched by frost, but damage if any, is generally assumed to be unimportant.

The local market has had more animation infused into it by the advance in outside markets, and had there been the quantity of wheat moving in the country that is usual about the present time of the year, there would have been great activity and briskness. As it is the abnormal development of the weather into a prolonged period of intermittent dampness, with no interval of drying weather long enough to effect any material benefit to saturated stacks and stocks, has kept the movement within very small limits. This week began with 1 hard Fort William at 71c bid and 1 northern and 2 hard 68c; Tuesday's sales were made at 72 and 68c respectively; Wednesday's sales were made at 73 to 73 1-2c and late in the afternoon 74c for 1 hard with 1 northern and 2 hard at 69; Thursday with the big advance in outside markets, 1 hard spot and October delivery Fort William, advanced to 77c asked, and 76 1-2c paid, and considerable wheat changed hands at 76 1-2c, 1 hard, and 72 1-2c 1 northern and 2 hard. The price slacked off towards evening to 76c 1 hard Yesterday with the relapse in

outside markets, buyers would not pay more than 75c for 1 hard spot or October delivery and later 74 1-2c was the best bid. In the afternoon yesterday buyers were very backward and several sales were made on basis 74c spot or October delivery with 4c less for 1 northern and 2 hard, 1 spring, 2 northern and 3 hard sell for about 7 to 8c under 1 hard.

FLOUR—Quotations are the same as last week. Prices here to retail dealers are as follows: \$2.05 for patent, \$1.85 for strong bakers, \$1.45 for second bakers and \$1.15 for XXXX per sack of 98 lbs.

MILLFEED—A good demand for feed keeps up, which absorbs all offering. Prices are unchanged. Bran is quoted at \$9 and shorts at \$11 per ton for small lots, with large lots at 50c to \$1 per ton less, as to quantity.

GROUND FEED—Barley chop is quoted at \$16 per ton as to quality. There is very little ground feed of any kind offering, and no ground oat feed offered this week.

OATMEAL—The Manitoba mills have not been able to get oats yet to operate on, and the supply of meal is still coming in from the States. It is laid down here from the States at about \$1.60 for 80 lb. sacks of rolled oatmeal, with a firmer tendency. Only a few old cars of Manitoba meal have been offered this season so far, and the prospect for getting a supply of oats is poor, owing to the wet weather.

OATS—Very few oats have been offered yet, the supply not being more than has been required for the immediate local demand, consequently the high prices which prevailed on the crop are still in a measure retained.

If we were to have fine weather for a while, which would permit of threshing and marketing more liberally, the price would no doubt decline to something like a parity with other markets. The few offered this week have brought about 30c per bushel of 34 pounds on track here for No. 2 equal to 24 to 25c on track at country points.

BARLEY—Barley has not been offering at all freely on account of the delay caused by the wet weather. Quoted nominal at 30c per bushel of 48 lbs. for feed quality.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is firmer, and as usual at the wind up of the season a little higher prices have been paid. For fresh late made goods about 20c has been paid, and one or two favorite factories, noted for choice goods, have possibly received 1-4c more. Held lots of earlier make are quoted at 18 to 19c as to quality. The factories are now closing for the season. A good many are closed now.

BUTTER—Dairy—The market is steady at unchanged prices. Round lots of good average quality bring 13 1-2 to 14c here as to quality. Offerings have not been large of late owing to bad roads, etc.

CHEESE—The market is about the same as last week. We quote 8 3-4 to 9c for Manitoba cheese, to factories. There is a demand for small sizes at a premium of 1-2c over large cheeses.

EGGS—The market is very firm and supplies are coming forward very slowly. Prices are unchanged at 16c paid here for receipts. Dealers are selling at 17 1-2 to 18c.

DRESSED MEATS—Pork continues very scarce. Veal is plentiful. Mutton holds steady. There is a wide range in the quality of beef offering, but 5 to 5 1-4c is the general price, and 4 3-4 to 5 1-2c is the extreme range for beef. Mutton, 7 to 7 1-2c; lamb, 9c; dressed hogs, 7 1-2 to 8c; for city dressed and 7 to 7 1-2c for country dressed hogs; veal, large calves, 4 1-2 to 5c; real veal, 6 1-2 to 7c.

POULTRY—There is a good demand for poultry, of which the supply is none too liberal. Mixed lots of dressed chickens will bring 10c per lb and 12c has been paid for nice lots of spring chickens but the tendency is lower. Dressed turkeys will bring 12c, and geese and ducks 10c per lb.

GAME—Ducks have not been offered as freely as usual this season, and good prices are paid for them. Mallard ducks bring 30 to 40c per pair; canvas backs 35 to 50c, and small varieties 20 to 25 per pair. Wavies and small geese, 40 to 50c each; large geese, 60c each, rabbits, 7 to 8c each.

VEGETABLES—About half of the potato crop in this district is still in the ground, owing to the wet weather, and it is a matter for doubt whether or not it will be possible to dig the crop before winter sets in. The price is firm and higher, owing to light receipts on account of bad roads. Onions are also higher. Imported Spanish onions were offering this week. Prices are as follows. Potatoes 40c per bushel; turnips 15c to 20c per bushel; parsnips, 1 1-2c per lb; carrots, 40c; beets, 40c per bushel; celery, 20 per dozen; cabbage 25 to 40c per dozen; onions, 90c to \$1 per bushel; Spanish onions, \$2 per crate; citrons scarce at 1 to 1 1-2c lb.

HIDES—Hides easy at unchanged prices. Dealers would like to get the price worked down to 7c, as they

claim there is no money in them at 7 1-2c, and as winter all rail freights will soon have to be paid, there is a farther inducement to reduce prices. The feeling is that prices will drop 1-2c on the first of the month, to cover the higher winter freight rates. We quote hides, No. 1 7 1-2c; No. 2, 6 1-2c; kip 6 1-2 to 7 1-2c; calf, 7c to 9c; deacon skins, 15 to 25c each; sheepskins and lambskins 20 to 40c; horse hides 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

WOOL—The London sales closed October 7th with market rates irregular. Best greasy merinos closed 2 1-2 per cent. lower than last sales, with other merinos and fine crossbreds 5 per cent. higher. Here prices are steady. We quote 8 1-2 to 9c for unwashed Manitoba fleece.

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

SENECA ROOT—Nominal at 19 to 20c.

HAY—There is no baled hay offering, as the almost continuous rain has rendered it impossible to do the baling, and the roads are bad for hauling. Loose hay on the street market has been higher at \$10 to \$12 per ton. The high prices have tended to keep up a considerable offering, notwithstanding the bad roads.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Export shipments of both range and domestic cattle have been going forward freely this week. The drizzly weather has made it very nasty work handling cattle, and the animals have not improved much lately. In fact cattle have lost condition in some sections during the last three weeks on account of the frequent cold rains. Prices are the same. Export cattle are quoted in Winnipeg at 3 to 3 1-4c off cars, buyers assuming freight from country points, and butchers 2 to 3c as to quality, the latter price for butchers being an extreme price for choice cattle. Stocker cattle are easy, at 2 1-2 to 3c as to quality, the latter price being paid for good steers. Shipments of stockers are still being made. Advices from the United Kingdom have not been favorable for Canadian shippers, who have been losing money on some late shipments. The Montreal Gazette of Tuesday says: Some sales of Canadian cattle were reported from Glasgow, which show a loss of \$4 per head and sheep sold at 26s each, showing a loss of 1s per head. Actual sales of ranch cattle reported from Liverpool show a loss of \$3 per head, and one sale of a bunch in London dropped \$5 per head. One of the chief reasons for the low prices ruling for sheep at present is the fact that Iceland sheep are coming forward freely, and are being sold for what they will fetch, recent sales being made at 8c to 9 1-4c. The impression here is that the worst has not been seen yet, as supplies on the way are heavy, and as soon as these arrive they will likely have a depressing effect upon values.

COWS—New milkers are scarce and good prices are offered for such. Fair cows would readily bring \$30 each, and good cows \$35 to \$40. These prices for new milkers.

SHEEP—Sheep continue to bring good prices, ranging this season through about 1c over a year ago. Prices are steady at last week's quotations of 3 to 3 1-2c for good to prime animals, the top price being for straight lots of good wethers, and 4 to 4 1-4c for lambs.

HOGS—Offerings have continued very light and all are wanted for butchers' use, at 5 to 5 1-4c off cars here.

Minneapolis Markets.

Compared with a week ago flour is 15c higher, corn 2c higher, oats 1c higher, flax seed 5c higher, eggs 1 1-2c higher, butter 1 to 1 1-2c higher.

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patent, \$3.75 to \$3.85; second patents \$3.55 to \$3.75.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$3.50 to \$9; bran in bulk, \$3.50 to \$9; corn feed, \$10.75 to \$13.50 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Corn quoted at 30 1-4 to 30 1-2c for No. 3.

Oats—Oats held at 23 to 24c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Malting 33 to 39c; feed quoted at 30 to 32c.

Flax seed—93c per bushel.

Eggs—15c for strictly fresh, including cases; held fresh 14c; seconds, 6 to 7c.

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

Butter—Creamery, 20 1-2 to 22c; seconds, 15 to 17c; dairy, 15 to 19c for choice to fancy; seconds, 12 to 14c.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 5 1-2 to 7c; lamb, 8 to 10c; veal, 6 to 9c.

Potatoes—Car lots mixed, 17 to 22c per bushel.

Poultry—Hens, 5c; roosters, 4c; spring chickens, 7 1-2 to 8c; turkeys, 7 1-2 to 8c; ducks, 7 to 7 1-2c; geese, 5 1-3c; all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides, 9 1-2c for No. 1; 8 1-2c No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands 7 1-4 to 8 1-2c, sheepskins 25 to 80c each; veal calf, 9 3-4 to 11 1-4c; tallow, 2 1-4 to 3 1-2c; seneca root, 20 to 24c.

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

Hay—\$6.50 to \$7 per ton for timothy, mixed clover, \$4.50 to \$5; prairie, \$5 to \$7.

The Commercial Men.

S. W. Cornell, of Myron McBride & Co., has gone east on a business trip.

E. M. Kallmyer, Toronto, of the R. Greene Manufacturing Co., is in the west on a business trip.

C. H. Eldes, representing Waldron, Drouin & Co., returned from a western trip this week, with his spring hat samples.

W. Moore, formerly with J. Y. Griffin & Co., Winnipeg, has accepted a position with J. H. Anderson & Co., as traveller for the British Columbia coast cities.

J. D. Windrum, a commercial man, formerly of Winnipeg, fell from his bicycle at Nanaimo, B. C., and was badly cut about the head and face. His medical attendant says his injuries are bad, but not serious.

Crows Nest Road.

Manager Whyte states that it will be two or three weeks yet before the surfacing of the roadbed and the details connected with the finishing of the Crow's Nest Pass railway are completed, but if by that time the government inspector's report is ready the road will be handed over to the company for operation.

Winnipeg stock yards have been in bad shape this week, owing to prolonged rains.

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Manitoba Country Markets.

Prices for wheat to farmers at Manitoba country markets were advanced 2 to 3c on Wednesday, to 60c for No. 1 hard, and other grades in proportion. A further advance of 2c was made on Thursday. This last advance made prices at points having a 16 1-2 and 17 1-2 cent freight rate to Fort William, range as follows for the different grades: No. 1 hard, 62c; No. 2 hard and No. 1 northern, 58 to 59c; No. 3 hard and No. 2 northern, 53c; No. 1 rejected, 47c; No. 2 rejected, 43c, No. 1 frosted, 41c. Prices, however, varied greatly in different markets according as they were influenced by local conditions. Yesterday there was a tendency to reduce values, but no general decline took place. Deliveries of grain, which were increasing from the middle of last week, were again checked by the wet weather, and after Monday very little was done this week in either threshing or marketing grain.

British Columbia Items.

A. R. Tillman is starting a saw mill at Midway.

Russell & Herol, hotel, Kamloops, have sold out.

W. J. Armstrong, hardware, is opening at Midway.

Geo. H. Keefer, cigars, Nelson, is out of business.

J. M. Citron, Thompson's Landing, is out of business.

J. Warnick, hotel, Fernie, has applied for a license.

Robt. Porter & Sons, Victoria, are opening a branch at Vancouver.

A. H. Sperry & Co., are opening a general store at Greenwood City.

L. A. Smith & Co., general store, Anaconda, have dissolved partnership.

McInnes & Co., butchers, Fernie, have opened a branch at Fort Steele.

W. R. Lang, photographer, Kamloops, has sold out to E. C. H. Thomas.

R. Godfrey has taken over the management of the Clarke house, Nelson.

Haywood & Leonard, hotel, Penticton, have dissolved; Wm. C. Haywood continues.

G. A. Rendall & Co., general store Greenwood, have sold their grocery stock to A. H. Sperry & Co.

Mickle & Moody, hotel Greenwood City have dissolved partnership, Moody retiring.

W. Powers is erecting a new saw

mill at Midway, to replace one destroyed by fire.

J. S. Holland, general store Kamloops, has admitted his brother M. M. Holland, as partner.

G. E. Seymour & Co., hotel, Greenwood City, have sold out to F. S. Barnard, who leases to E. E. Weeks.

J. Freil, boots and shoes, Victoria has opened a branch at Calgary, Alberta, where he succeeds W. T. Corby.

The following items are reported from Vancouver. Delta Farmers' Feed Co. has started business; the business of the Donaldson Trading Co. has been assumed by the G. R. Gordon Co., Ltd.; E. C. Kirby is opening in hosiery; the New Zealand Furniture Company has started business here; the Seehelt Trading Co., fruit, game, etc., has commenced business here.

Northwest Ontario.

Anderson & Brooks have opened a general store at Saltoun.

Jas. McCreanor, hotel, Fort William, has admitted Thos. McCreanor into partnership.

The inland revenue department has decided to open a bonded warehouse at Fort Frances.

A diamond drill, with T. E. Smith as manager, is at work on Shoal Lake on property belonging to the Cedar Island Gold Mining company. They have gone down to the depth of 1,000 feet.

Tenders.

The Mounted Police at Maple Creek, Assa., want tenders for supplying 5,000 bushels of oats.

Tenders will be received up to October 30 for the erection of a pile bridge over Sturgeon Creek, at section 24, township 11, range, 1, west, in the Municipality of Rosser, Man.

Western Business Items.

Geo. Seabury, grocer, Calgary, is succeeded by J. A. Collicott.

Rounthwaite & Hall, hotel, Brandon, have sold out to John McKelvie.

Fire broke out in a small building at the corner of Twelfth street and Rosser avenue at Brandon on Friday, destroying the stock of organs and musical goods belong to Howay & Benner. The stock is partly covered by insurance. The fire was caused by a defective stove.

Assiniboia.

S. Risdale, shoemaker, Maple Creek, advertises his business for sale.

W. Janzen has opened a general store at Ebenezer, Yorkton district.

The Canadian Pacific railway has commenced the erection of a new station house at Maple Creek. The old station will be moved to Walsh.

Saskatchewan.

Battleford has a new paper, the Star, the first number of which has been received. The paper is a neat sheet of eight pages.

Cheese Markets.

Campbellford, Ont., Oct. 18.—At the cheese meeting to-night 2,150 boxes were boarded, balance of September makes. Following are the sales: 650 at 83-4c; 300 at 83-4c; 210 at 811-16.

Bellefleur, Ont., Oct. 18.—At to-day's cheese board twelve factories boarded 1,400 cheese. No sales but most of the cheese was sold on the street at 83-4c.

James T. Smith is opening a general store at Belmont, Man.

The report in a Winnipeg paper that a lot of creamery butter was sold here at 2-4c is undoubtedly an error. The Commercial cannot learn of any such price having been paid, except in a retail way.

C. Millan, who went to Dawson City last summer to open an agency for the Parsons Produce Co., has returned to Vancouver, after completing his business at the Yukon capital. The firm will maintain a regular agency at Dawson, which will provide an important additional outlet for the sale of the products of the farms of Manitoba and the Territories.

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New York Wheat.

New York, Oct. 17. — Wheat — Receipts 403,300 bushels; exports, 528,425 bushels; sale, 670,000 bushels; futures, 612,000 bushels spot. Options opened steadier on favorable cable news and foreign buying. Thereafter, aside from occasional brief declines from short sales, the market ruled strong and active, supported by heavy clearances covering and renewed export demand; closed 3-8c higher on near months but 1-16c off on May, which was not wanted by shorts. March, 73 1-8 to 73 1-2c, closed 73 1-2c; May, 70 3-8 to 70 7-8c, closed 70 3-4c; Dec., 71 3-8 to 72 5-16c; closed 72 1-4c.

New York, Oct. 18.—Wheat — Receipts 231,679 bushels; exports 250,392 bushels. Options opened strong on cables, but lost part of the advance through disappointing export developments and constant attacks from Chicago. Trade was mostly local with foreign house on both sides. The close was strong, after a late rally, on reported frost in Argentine, at 1-2 to 5-8c net advance. March opened 74 1-8, closed 74 1-8; May opened 70 3-4 to 70 3-8, closed 71 1-4; Dec. opened 72 5-16 to 72 5-16, closed 72 7-8.

New York, Oct. 19.—Wheat receipts, 318,200 bushels; sales, 1,403,000 bushels; exports, 432,000 bushels spot. Options were very strong all day with foreign houses good buyers of options and enormous buyers of cash grain at seaboard points for export on higher English cables and bullish Argentine and Australian crop news. Wheat closed 1-16c to 1-1-2c higher. March, 74 1-2c to 74 5-8c, closed 75 3-8c; May, 71 3-4c to 72 5-8c, closed 72 5-8c; December, 73 7-8c to 74 1-2c, closed 74 1-2c.

New York, Oct. 20.—Wheat, Dec. opened 76 3-8c, closed 76 1-8c; May opened 74 1-4c b, closed 73 7-8c b.

New York, Oct. 21.—Wheat — Receipts 191,475 bushels; exports 180,185 bushels, sales 3,185,000 bushels futures, 104,000 bushels spot. Options opened lower, through foreign selling, weak cables, and more peaceful political outlook abroad. A subsequent rally on export demand was finally lost under long selling, closed 11-4 to 11-2c net lower. March opened 75 to 76, closed 75 1-4; May opened 72 1-2 to 73 3-8, closed 72 5-8; Dec. opened 74 9-16 to 75 1-2, closed 74 5-8.

New York, Saturday, Oct. 22. — December wheat closed at 76c, and May at 73 7-8c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

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

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Wheat, Oct. 65 1-4n; Dec. opened 64 3-4 to 64 7-8c, closed 65 1-8c, closed 63 5-8c. Oats, Oct. 22 1-8n; 66 1-4c. Corn, Oct. 31c; Dec. opened 30 7-8c, closed 31 3-8c; May opened 33 1-8 to 65 1-4c; May opened 66, closed Dec. opened 22 3-8 to 22 1-2, closed 22 5-8c; May opened 23 1-4c, closed 23 5-8 to 23 3-4c. Ribs, Dec. \$4.70 to \$4.72; Jan. opened \$4.75b, closed \$4.72 to \$4.75; Pork, Dec. opened \$7.95, closed \$7.95a; Oct. \$7.85; Jan. opened \$9.15, closed \$9.15. Lard, Dec. opened \$4.95, closed \$4.90 to \$4.92; Jan. opened \$5.02, closed \$5.00.

Chicago, Oct. 18.—Wheat, Oct. 65 7-8c; Dec. opened 65 3-4c, closed 65 5-8 to 65 3-4c; May opened 66 7-8c, closed 66 3-4 to 66 7-8c. Corn, Oct 31c; Dec. opened 31 5-8c, closed 31 5-8c; May open-

ed 33 7-8c, closed 34c n. Oats, Oct. 22 1-8c b; Dec. opened 23, closed 23c; May opened 23 3-4c, closed 23 7-8 to 24c. Ribs, Dec. \$4.75; Jan. opened \$4.72, closed \$4.78 to \$4.80. Pork, Dec. opened \$7.90a, closed \$8a; Jan. opened \$9.15b, closed \$9.20; Oct. \$7.90n. Lard, Dec. opened \$4.92, closed \$4.97; Jan. opened \$5, closed \$5.03.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—This being a public holiday, there was no session of the board of trade. Hence no grain markets.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—Wheat, Oct. 68c. Dec. opened 68 to 67 7-8c, closed 68c n. May opened 68 7-8c, closed 68 3-4 to 7-8c. Corn Oct. 32 1-4c n. Dec. opened 32 5-8c, closed 32 5-8c. May opened 35c, closed 34 3-4 to 7-8c. Oats, Oct. 23c b. Dec. opened 23 5-8c, closed 23 1-2c. May opened 24 1-8c, closed 24 1-2c. Ribs, Dec. opened \$4.85, closed \$4.85 n. Jan. opened \$4.85, closed \$4.87. Pork, Dec. opened \$8.15, closed \$8.10. Jan. opened \$9.35, closed \$9.32 b. Oct. \$8 n. Lard, Dec. opened \$5.07, closed \$5.12 n. Jan. opened \$5.15, closed \$5.17.

New York, Oct. 20.—Wheat, Dec. opened 76 3-8c, closed 76 1-8c. May opened 74 1-4c b, closed 73 7-8c b.

Chicago, Oct. 21.—Wheat—Oct. 66 3-4c n. Dec. opened 67 1-8c, closed 66 3-4c. May opened 68 1-4c, closed 67 3-4c. Corn Oct. 31 1-8c n. Dec. opened 32 1-4c, closed 31 1-2-3-8c. May opened 34 3-8c, closed 33 5-8c. Oats, Oct., 22 3-8-1-2c n. Dec. opened 23 1-4c, closed 22 7-8-23c. May opened 24 1-2c, closed 24c n. Ribs, Dec. opened \$4.82, closed \$4.77 n. Jan. opened \$4.82, closed \$4.77 b. Pork, Dec. opened \$8.02. Jan. opened \$9.20, closed \$9.22 b. Oct. \$7.92. Lard, Dec. opened \$5.02, closed \$5. Jan. opened \$5.12, closed \$5.07 n.

Chicago, Saturday, Oct. 22.—Closing prices were:

Wheat—Oct., 67 7-8c; Dec., 67 3-4c; May, 68 5-8c.
Corn—Oct. 31 5-8c; Dec., 32c.
Oats—Oct., 22 7-8c; Dec., 23 3-8c.
Pork—Oct., \$7.85; Dec., \$7.92 1-2.
Lard—Dec., \$4.92 1-2.
Ribs—Dec., \$4.70.
A week ago December option closed at 64 1-2c. A year ago December wheat closed at 95c, two years ago at 69 3-4c three years ago at 60 1-2c, four years ago at 52 1-4c.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows each day of the week:
Monday—Dec., 63c; May, 65 3-4c.
Tuesday — Dec., 63 7-8c; May, 66 3-8c.
Wednesday—Dec., 64 7-8c; May, 67 1-2c.
Thursday — Dec., 66 1-4c; May, 68 1-2c.
Friday —Oct., 68c; Dec., 65c; May, 67 1-8c.
Saturday—Oct. 69 1-4c; Dec. 65 3-4c; May 65 1-8c.
Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 72 3-4c, and cash No. 1 northern at 69 1-4c.
A week ago December wheat closed at 62 1-2c.
A year ago December wheat closed at 89 5-8c, two years ago December option closed 69 5-8c, three years ago at 56 7-8c and four years ago at 55c, and five years ago at 63 1-4c.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT.

Liverpool, Oct. 22.—Wheat closed 1 5-8d higher.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—Flax seed closed \$1.01 1-2 for cash and 98c for October.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

Market firmer and closing about 1c higher at 75 1-2 bid for October delivery, Fort William, and 4c less for 2 hard and 1 northern. Prices to farmers at Manitoba country markets were dropped 2c this morning to a basis of 60c for No. 1 hard at 16 1-2 and 17 1-2 freight rate points.

FLOUR FIRM.

The local flour market is closing very firm to-day. Some brands of low grade flour have been advanced 5c, and a general advance is expected on Monday. Second makers and XXXX are the lines advanced.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Saturday, Oct. 22.—No. 1 northern wheat closed at 66 1-2c for October and 65 1-4c for December. Cash No. 1 northern 67 1-4c; cash No. 2 northern 65 1-4c

CHEESE MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial. Liverpool, Oct. 21.—Cheese, colored and white quoted at 42s 6d, which is the same as a week ago.

SUGARS.

In New York this week three grades of soft sugar were advanced 1-16c on Tuesday, and three other grades of soft sugar were advanced 1-8c. Raws were firm. Granulated in New York was steady at 5c. Willett and Gray say the next change will be an advance.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial. Liverpool, Oct. 21.—Cattle easier at 10 to 11s for United States steers, estimated dressed weight.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Oct. 21.—12.30 p.m.—Wheat —Spot firm. Corn—Spot easy; American mixed 3s 10d.
Closing—Corn — Spot American mixed quiet at 3s 9-4d; Oct. nominal; Nov. easy at 3s 8 3-4d; Dec. easy at 3s 8 3-8d.

BRITISH STOCKS.

London, Oct. 21.—4 p.m.—Consols for money 108 3-4 for the account 108 15-16. Canadian Pacific 83 3-8; Erie 12 7-8; Erie firsts preferred 33 3-8; Illinois Central 111; Northern Pacific preferred 77 1-4; St. Paul common 111; New York Central 116 1-2; Pennsylvania 60 5-8; Reading 8 5-8; Union Pacific preferred 66 1-2; Atchison 18; Louisville 56; Grand Trunk 6 7-8. Bar silver 27 3-4. Money 3. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3 1-2 per cent; for three months bills 3 1-3 to 5-8 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Oct. 21.—The stock market opened firm. Burlington 114 3-4; Louisville 54 3-8; Manhattan 97; Northern Pacific 39 3-8; do. preferred 74 5-8; People's Gas 102 3-4; Sugar 111 3-4; Tobacco 114 1-2; Union Pacific 32 1-8; do. preferred 63.
Money on call nominally at 11-2 to 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 31-4 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange firm at \$4.84 3-4 to \$4.85 for demand, and at \$4.85 to 1-2 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.84 and \$4.80. Commercial bills \$4.80 3-4. Silver certificates 60 to 61. Bar silver 60 1-4. Mexican dollars 46 3-4. Government bonds steady.

"I understand you have been very successful in your business," said the burglar.
"Yes," replied the kidnapper, "I know how to take people."

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 22.

Dry Goods—Trade quiet. Affected by rainy and mild weather. Spring samples are on the road this week. Canadian manufacturers announce an advance of five cents per yard on tweeds. Hosiery and light underwear, etc., is in good demand.

Hardware—Trade brisk. Builders hardware is in better demand. Canada plates firmer. Glass stronger and likely to again advance. Pig tin is 1-2c dearer. Turpentine is 3c higher.

Groceries—Good business going. Canned corn is firmer at 85 to 90c and will likely advance next week. Teas are more active. China teas are scarce. A private cable from Patras reports the currant market strong at the advance.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 22.

Wheat is scarce, owing to limited offerings. Ontario winter is quoted at 65 to 70c, showing an advance of 5c on the week. Goose wheat active at 72 to 75c. Ontario flour has advanced 20c per barrel and Manitoba flour is selling 10c higher. Oats are 2c higher on the week. Millfeed 50c ton higher. Oatmeal has advanced 30c per barrel. Barley is 5c higher on the week. Beans have advanced 5c to 10c per bushel. Dried apples are 1-2c higher.

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$4.10; Manitoba bakers, \$4.10; Ontario straight roller, \$3.25 per barrel in wood, in car lots.

Wheat—Ontario red and white winter wheat, 68 to 70 for cars at country points; goose, 72 to 75c; No. 1 hard, 84 to 85c, Toronto.

Oats—White, 25 1-2 to 26c for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 25 1-2 to 26c at country points.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$12.00 to \$13.00 per ton at country points. Bran, \$9 per ton.

Oatmeal—\$3.60 in bags per barrel. Eggs—15 to 16c for fresh gathered, and 13 to 14c for held fresh.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 15 to 16c for choice fresh goods; medium grades, 11 to 13c, creamery, tubs, 18c to 18 1-2c; prints, 20 to 21c.

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

Hides—No. 1 green, 8 1-2c, cured, 9 1-4c; sheepskins and lambskins, 50c to 65c; calfskins, 8 to 10c, tallow 3 1-2 to 4c.

Wool—Washed fleeces, 15 to 16c; unwashed, 10 to 10 1-2c.

Beans—7c to \$1 per bushel as to quality.

Dr-seed hogs—\$5.75 per 100 pounds. Dried apples—1 1-2c for round lots; evaporated, 8 to 8 1-2c.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Oct. 18.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 63 car loads, including 550 sheep and lambs and 1,550 hogs.

Export cattle—Choice export cattle meet with a good demand, but at lower prices. Good sold at from \$4 to \$4.25 per cwt, and \$4.35 for selections.

Butchers' cattle—Offerings light; choice \$3.75 to \$4, a few selected brought \$4.25. Common cattle were slow at \$3 to \$3.50 per cwt.

Stockers and feeders—Stockers and feeders easier. Stockers \$3.25 to

\$3.50; feeders \$3.25 to \$3.75 and \$3.85 for selections.

Sheep and lambs—Sheep for export and butchers' use were firm at \$3.25 to \$3.50 spring lambs \$4.10 to \$4.25; bucks \$2.75 per cwt.

Hogs—Prices steady. The number of hogs received during the week was large and the quality fine. The weights averaged 160 to 170 lbs. Choice bacon hogs sold at \$4.25 per cwt. Light \$4, thick fat \$4.13 to \$4.15. Sows dull at \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, Oct. 21.

Total offerings were, 103 carloads, including 1,000 sheep and lambs and 2,000 hogs.

Owing to liberal offerings cattle were easier. Butchers' cattle were 1-4c lower at 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c for choice, a few selected 1-4c more. Export and stocker cattle unchanged. Sheep were very weak, declining 1-2c, owing to poor prices obtainable in British markets for export stock. Very few sheep, wait over 3c. Lambs were 10c per 100 lbs lower than on Tuesday, at 4 to 4 1-8c per lb. Hogs sold the same as on Tuesday.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.
Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 22.

There has been an active export demand this week for wheat, oats and peas, particularly for the latter grain, which has advanced rapidly to 68c. Oats are higher and very firm, having gained 1c on the week. Millfeed is 50c per ton higher. Butter is weaker. There has been a decline all around amounting to a full 1c on dairy and 1-4 to 3-8c on creamery butter. Cheese has been dull and easier. The market is about 1-8c lower than a week ago on cheese. Eggs are firm and in good demand. Potatoes 5c lower per bag. Hides steady.

Oats—No. 2 white, 29 1-2c in store; 30c afloat.

Flour—Manitoba strong bakers \$4.30 to \$4.40, Manitoba patents, \$4.60 to 4.70.

Millfeed—Bran \$11.50 to \$12 per ton; shorts, \$14 to \$14.50, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.75 per bag.

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

Eggs—11 to 15c per dozen. Butter—Choice dairy, 14c to 15c; western dairy, 12 to 13c.

Butter—Creamery in tubs, 18 to 18 3-8c; boxes, 18 1-2 to 18 3-4c.

Cheese—Choice western, 9c; eastern, 8 3-8 to 8 3-4c.

Beans—85c to \$1 per bushel as to quality.

Potatoes—Car lots, 45 to 50c per bag.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 22.

Glass is very firm and tending higher. An advance may go into effect any time. Tin is 1-2c higher.

White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 4 1-2c; linseed oil, raw, 48 to 49c; boiled, 51c to 52c; turpentine, 48 to 49c. Bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50, tin plates, cokes, \$2.75 to \$2.90; I. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.75; Canada plates, \$2.10 to \$2.15; tern

plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25; galvanized iron, 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c; lead, \$3.75 to \$4; iron pipe, 4 to 4 1-4c; putty in bulk, \$1.65; lin bladders, \$1.80; ingot tin, 17 1-2 to 18 1-2c. Cement, English brands, \$2.25 to \$2.35. Germany, \$2.35 to \$2.50, and Belgium, \$1.85 to \$2.05 per barrel ex-wharf. Rope, sisal 10c to 10 1-2c; Manila, 11 1-2 to 12 1-2c for 7-16 size and larger.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 18.

Liverpool cattle space is quoted at 35s, and London and Bristol space at 30s.

Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 650 cattle and 700 sheep and lambs. There was a good local demand. Really good cattle were scarce. Prices were unchanged since last market day. Stockers for Buffalo were in demand. Stocker bulls sold at \$2 to \$2.10 per 100 lbs.; heifers at 2 1-2c and steers at 3c per lb. Good butchers' cattle brought 4c to 4 1-4c; fair, 3 1-4 to 3 3-4c, and common, 2 1-2c to 3c. The supply of sheep of sheep was small, but prices were easier at 3c to 3 1-4c owing to poor export demand. Lambs sold at 4c to 4 1-2c per lb.

At the Grand Trunk stock yards 500 hogs were offered. The demand from packers was good at 4 1-2c, per lb. off cars.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, Oct. 21.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 300 head, sheep and lambs 500.

The export demand was slow on account of unfavorable reports of late from British markets. There was a fair local demand. Prices were the same as on Monday for cattle and sheep. Hogs were 1-4c lower at \$4.25 per 100 lbs weighed off cars.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 22.

Teas are quiet, sugars steady, molasses is very firm and prices have advanced 1c on the outside. Canned vegetables are firm.

Quotations are: Granulated sugar, standard, \$4.40 per 100 lbs. at refineries; yellows \$3.60 to \$4.05; molasses 30 to 32c; syrups 2 to 2 1-2c as to quality, Valencia raisins 4 3-4 to 5 1-2; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8c to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-4c, B., 3 3-4c.

SUGAR.

Special to The Commercial.

London, Oct. 21.—Beet steady. October and November beet quoted 9s 7 1-2d, which shows a decline of 3-4d on the week.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS.

London, Oct. 17.—There was a better demand to-day and prices were the same as a week ago for Canadian cattle. American cattle were weaker and values for such are 1-4c lower than this day week. Best States cattle sold at 11 1-4c; choice Canadian at 10c; ranchers at 8 1-2c to 9 1-4c; and Argentines at 10c. Canadian sheep sold at 9 1-2c; Argentine at 10c, and the small clipped at 9 1-2c.

Liverpool, Oct. 17.—Market depressed. Choice Canadian cattle 9c to 9 1-2c.