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WINNIPEG, MARCH 11, 1889.

THE Edmonton Bulletin notes the arrival of fur buyers at that place.

STERS are being taken to organize a board of trade at Edmonton, Alberta.

THE Manitoba Legislature was formally prorogued on Wednesday morning.

EMMOND & Co., furniture, Treherne, Man., are adding confectionery and fruit.

J. F. HOLLAND, drugs and fancy goods, Holland, Man., is adding furniture.

JAS. BOLE and J. W. Smith will leave for the east in search of settlers for the Regina district.

JAMES MAWHINNEY, builder and furniture, Holland, Man., is giving up his furniture business.

KELLY, fruits, Winnipeg, lately damaged by fire, has given up business and moved to Ontario.

MRS. J. D. ALLAN, bakery, of Neepawa, Man., is giving up business, and will remove to Winnipeg.

A CORRESPONDENT writes that a branch of the Commercial Bank, of Manitoba will be established at Minnedosa, Man.

MAWHINNEY & BUTCHART, hardware and tins, Holland, Man., are advertising selling out their business at Glenboro.

SAUNDERS & MCKINNON, general storekeepers Deloraine, Man., have effected a compromise with a majority of their creditors.

A. M. McLANE and Joseph Craig were appointed immigration agents by the Qu'Appelle board of trade to proceed to Eastern Canada in the interest of immigration to that district.

THE stock of Madoll & Robinson, wall paper, etc., Winnipeg, which was sold by the sheriff recently, brought 55 cents on the dollar.

THE Bank of British North America at a meeting in London on March 5th, approved of a dividend of 4 per cent. for the half year.

THE Calgary Tribune says that A. Ferland & Co., general merchants of that place, will dispose of the whole of their stock by auction.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE Review:—Draper & Co., of Drayton, Ont., will open up their new gent's furnishing and tailoring establishment here on the 11th inst.

S. HARTFORD, general merchant, formerly of Minnedosa, Man., who moved to Bridge Creek some time ago, will, it is said, move his business back to Minnedosa.

THE Spectator, Rapid City, Man., says:—John Ross, late of Port Arthur, was in town last week. He has some intention of buying out a general store here.

THE first annual banquet of the Brandon board of trade was held on March 7. About 100 of the leading business men of the city and district were present. The banquet was a success.

A BY-LAW to provide for the early closing of stores, in accordance with the Act passed by the Manitoba Legislature about a year ago, has been adopted by the council of Portage la Prairie.

CHAS. A. LEMIEUX, lately with J. D. Burke, grocer, Winnipeg, has entered into partnership with C. D. Anderson, grocer, Winnipeg, and the name of the firm in future will be C. D. Anderson & Co.

THE Dominion Grocer, of Toronto, says that the sugar combine is on its last legs, as Kingston, Toronto, and other western merchants are sick of it. Cutting is said to be taking place all along the line.

THE C.P.R. is furnishing free railway passes to representatives from the different districts in the Territories to act as immigration agents in Eastern Canada. The passes are furnished to parties selected by the member of the Territorial Assembly for the district.

MR. DAVIN will ask in Parliament at Ottawa whether the Government is aware that four per cent. beer is now freely imported into the Territories, and that the Inland Revenue department refuses to allow local brewers to make four per cent. beer, and if it is the intention of the Government to do away with the injustice.

DONALD Truth: The Monarch mine at Field continues its ore output, shipping 5 car loads to the Vancouver smelter this week. The Anthracite Coal Company are reported as having struck an 8-foot vein of clean coal in a new mine near Canmore. From their old mines at Anthracite 25 carloads of coal were shipped, via Port Moody, to San Francisco.

THE Dominion Illustrated in its last number gives an excellent engraving of Erastus Wiman, of New York, who is perhaps the best known Canadian resident of the United States. Illustrations and a letter press sketch of that very successful institution, the Canadian Club, of New York, are also given, together with a number of excellent views of Canadian scenery. G. E. Desbarats & Son, Publishers, Montreal.

BENNETT has opened an auction and commission room at Brandon.

THE Royal City mills, Westminster, B. C., have resumed work, after a thorough overhauling and extension of capacity.

THE Moose Jaw board of trade was fully organized on Friday last. T. B. Baker was elected president, Wm. Riddell, vice-president, and a council of ten.

C. W. HAMILTON & Co., is the firm name of the new dry goods house at Port Arthur, which succeeded Strutt. The firm is composed of C. W. Hamilton and Miss Riter.

WELLS, who carries on the hardware business of the late firm of Wells & Dawson, Port Arthur, has formed a partnership with J. T. Emmerson, from Peterboro, Ont.

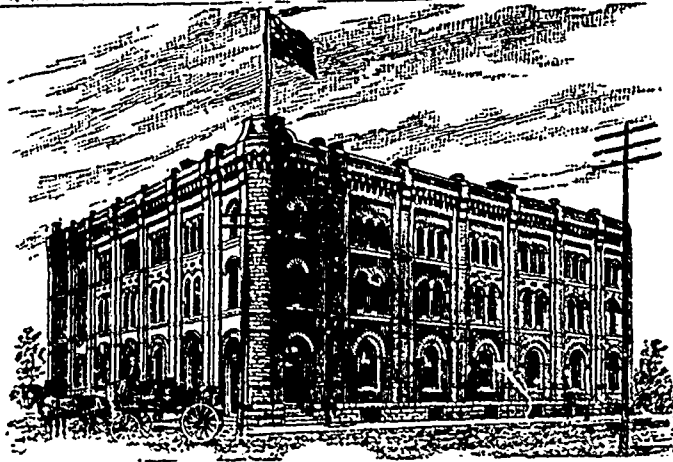
THE syndicate, which recently purchased the saw mill at Chemainus, B. C., and timber limits, took possession of the property on March 1st. It is understood to be the intention of the new proprietors to largely increase the capacity of the mill.

THE Manitoba Southeastern railway bill passed the railway committee at Ottawa last week. Power was taken to connect or amalgamate with the Winnipeg & Duluth or any other road coming west. Power was also taken to build branch lines from St. Anne to Selkirk, and from St. Anne to Morris.

JOSEPH CARMAN, produce and commission dealer, Winnipeg, received the following important agencies during his recent trip east: F. C. Ireland & Son, Toronto, manufacturers of a large variety of flours and foods; The Hamilton Vinegar Works, Hamilton, Ont., manufacturers of vinegar, pickles, jams, jellies, etc.; J. W. Cowan & Co., Toronto, manufacturers of cocoa, chocolates, etc.; Alfred Savage & Son, Albert toilet soaps, Montreal; and Ellis, Keighly & Co., coffees, spices, etc., Toronto.

THE Port Arthur Sentinel: The West End Silver Mountain mine made another big strike on Friday last. P. Labby has just returned from the mine and brings with him samples of the ore. It looks, and certainly is, excellent, the assayer informing him that it goes \$7,000 to the ton. The pay streak, Mr. Labby says, is a couple of feet wide, and so rich is it that the drills have almost entirely been discarded, the ore coming out with the pick. The strike was made on the drift, about 500 feet from the shaft and has every indication of hanging on good.

PORT ARTHUR Sentinel: Building affairs give promise of being extremely lively during the coming season. At the time of writing the following new brick and stone blocks appear to be assured facts, as most of the material, is either delivered or being delivered:—W. -J. Clarke, brick and stone block facing Cumberland and Arthur streets; R. E. Mitchell, brick and stone block on Cumberland street, between Lorne and Arthur streets; Mrs. Eades, brick block, corner Park and Cumberland streets; Aaron Squier, brick block, Water street, next the Northern hotel; Hastings Bros. & McGaw, six storey flouring mill, foot of Cumberland street. Other buildings are projected, among them being a smelting establishment, to say nothing of the new post office.

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Fur Trade Notes.

It is stated that 74 bears were killed in British Columbia during the first six weeks of this year.

M. K. R. beaver will be offered at the H. B. Co.'s March sales in London. The prices realized by the Hudson's Bay Company last year were: Firsts, large, 39s 6d; small, 17s. Seconds, large, 32s 3d; small, 15s 6d. Thirds, large, 18s 9d; small, 11s; cubs, 5s 6d.

The Leipzig correspondent of the New York *Fur Trade Review* writes: There has also been a general advance on Russian and Siberian furs; squirrel values have been firm, with a tendency to rise; it is reported from Irbit that a very high price, fifty kopecks, is asked for dark squirrels. Parcels of Russian worked squirrel sacs have been taken for England at advanced prices; large parcels of squirrel backs have been given out for circular manufacture; bellies remain cheap. Black dyed Persian and Astrakhan lambs have met with a lively demand; our Canadian visitors have given large orders for both articles; raw skins have recently been purchased for dyeing; the prices of Persians have considerably advanced. Gray krimmer lambs have been taken for England and Canada at advanced values, about fifty per cent more than one year ago; parcels of raw skins have been ordered back to Russia, where the article is much wanted now. There has been some demand for Snsliki linings for England. Ermine is dearer than in the autumn, and sells as soon as finished by the dressers.

NEW YORK FUR REPORT.

The New York *Fur Trade Review* for March says: We are now midway between two events of great importance to the trade.

The recent public sales at London will be remembered for the extreme advances realized; no doubt many shippers who were fortunate enough to have goods in the sale made money; but the effect on our market, inasmuch as the bulk of the catch has yet to be secured, is to be deprecated. Shippers, including many new ones, have been compelled to pay very high prices, heroic figures, so to speak, and the coming March sales are contemplated with marked and increased interest.

Mink continues to advance in favor; there is also increased appreciation for marten and Russian sable; the numerous purchases of the latter fur clearly indicate its fashionable employment.

Skunk has sold remarkably well, and the high price for blacks in Ohio, \$1.65, is firmly maintained.

Muskrats do not appear to be abundant; the high prices will greatly curtail American consumption, resulting in nearly the entire catch being sent abroad. Otter is in unusually good demand, owing to the anxiety of some large consumers to secure supplies before the whole catch is in—we would advise some caution in purchasing, as the effect of a very marked advance cannot be determined.

The market on the whole may be designated as highly nervous—rather inclined to respond too readily to a further advance, but not prepared to philosophically accept a decline. The prospects for imported furs of all kinds are very good at present.

Dairy Matters.

To Editor of the COMMERCIAL:

I notice under the head of Dairy Matters in your paper of Feb. 11th the various schemes for the purpose of advancing and improving the manufacture of cheese and butter. You will please excuse me if my ideas should vary somewhat from some ideas advanced in your valuable columns. Being interested myself in cheese and butter business in both manufacturing and buying since the factory business was introduced in Ontario, about twenty years, I trust you will not think me trespassing too much to give your many readers a few facts connected with the business.

I notice you have an extract taken from the *Mercury*, Manitou, Man., where some of the farmers of that section have been testing the relative profits of cheese and butter making, a scheme which must be admired by every true lover of systematic dairy farming. I notice during one of the tests by a Mr. Owens, on the last of December, that from five days from four cows he received 116 lbs. of milk, and from that

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milk he manufactured $6\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of butter, equal to, at 20 cents per lb., \$1.30, taking about 18 lbs. of milk to make 1 lb. of butter, and that the same amount of milk if sent to a cheese factory would only realize 72 cents.

Now he has given us no facts as to the number of lbs. of milk it takes to make 1 lb. of cheese, or the value of cheese; he must have jumped at conclusions, taking a summer average for cheese. I have manufactured both cheese and butter on the factory system, and if I do not know, I ought to, the relative value of both as per lbs. of milk. Now we will govern ourselves by the 116 lbs. of milk as, under his supervision, making $6\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of butter; this no doubt is all right, making \$1.30 including manufacture. Now the same amount of milk in the same month will make not less than $14\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of cheese (as 8 lbs. of milk in December will make more than 1 lb. of cheese) say at least 10 cents per lb. would make \$1.45 including manufacture, leaving a net balance of 15 cents in favor of cheese. Bear in mind that we are averaging the quality of milk at same date, as per example, take milk say from 1st of May until the 1st of November (six months) it will take on an average 25 lbs. of milk to make 1 lb. of butter with careful factory management with average dairies, and $10\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of milk to make 1 lb. of cheese. I am proportioning the value of the two products as per our market in Ontario, as when wholesale prices of butter are at, say, 20 cents per lb., cheese in sympathy will rule at 10 to 10½ cents, which makes a net value in favor of cheese. I am sorry to say the creameries in Ontario as a rule have not paid as well as cheese factories, for two reasons the first is we have not home demand enough for a very large quantity; secondly, the extreme heat of our summer, or the system of our packing, or perhaps both, seem to act unfavorably on its keeping qualities, as when it arrives in England its flavor is injured, and it goes as second quality, and very often as grease. Although the people and Government of Ontario are trying every scheme available to place our butter on par with the best made, but as yet are not successful.

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spector to visit the various cheese and butter factories and establishing a dairy fair cannot be over-estimated. I think with you, Government money could be better expended in that way than by bonusing cheese factories. You will always find plenty of speculators springing up to build cheese factories as soon as the country is ripe for them without any bonusing. The one grand idea is to place the money in a shape to encourage competition in creating a fine quality, clean flavored, silky textured goods, fit for the greatest epicure in the East. Excuse me for trespassing so far, but at the same time am always ready to exchange ideas on this subject for the general good.

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ADVERTISING THE COUNTRY.

The board of trade of Macleod, Alberta, instead of publishing a pamphlet as is the usual custom in circulating immigration literature, has had a special edition of the *Macleod Gazette* published under the patronage of the board. This is a sensible move, and probably one that will have more influence than the circulation of the same matter, in equal proportion, in pamphlet form. Pamphlet immigration literature is becoming a drug in the market, and at any rate, immigration pamphlets are frequently looked upon as unreliable and overdrawn. So many pamphlets have been issued of an unreliable nature, that it is no wonder this is the case. A paper published regularly has the appearance of stability and in this sense should be a better medium than the pamphlet. The publication of a good paper shows that the district is progressive and prospering, while a pamphlet may mean anything or nothing. A pamphlet could be written upon a district which is entirely undeveloped and without inhabitants, but a regular local paper is *prima facie* evidence of the condition of the district. There is no better and more certain indicator of the progress and development of a district than a properly conducted local paper. Every paper in the country is an immigration agent, in proportion to its circulation and worth. The work accomplished by all the pamphlets and books ever published about this country, has been infinitesimally small in comparison with the attention drawn to the country by the circulation of the various papers regularly published here, and circulated at home and abroad. It may, therefore, be considered that the Macleod board of trade, in assisting in the preparation and wide circulation of the local paper of the district, has made a more sensible move than if the same amount of money had been spent in a pamphlet. Efforts are being made by a great many municipal organizations, boards of trade, etc., in Manitoba and the Territories to set forth the peculiar advantages of their respective districts, with the object of securing additional settlers. This is right and proper. Where such efforts are being made, we commend the plan adopted by the Macleod board of trade. The plan could be fol-

lowed up in something like the following way: The publication of a very ordinary pamphlet will cost say \$500. Now, instead of publishing a pamphlet, say an arrangement is made with the publisher of the local paper to circulate a certain number of extra copies of his paper each week. The papers could be circulated under the direction of those interested in the immigration movement, and several columns of space could be given each week to matter prepared under the direction of the immigration committee. For \$500 the local publisher would probably publish 500 extra copies of his journal each week for a year, and the circulation of the papers would cost nothing. This would give the circulation during the year of 26,000 extra copies of the paper, at a nominal cost, in comparison with the circulation of an equal number of pamphlets, while the advantage to the district from the circulation of a good local paper would be very much greater than could be derived from the publication of a pamphlet at double the cost. It would not be necessary to circulate a certain number of papers each week during the entire year. The same number of copies could be circulated during six months of the year for that matter, or at other times as might appear suitable, in the discretion of the immigration committee. THE COMMERCIAL is not interested in any schemes of this nature, and has nothing to gain from the adoption of the plan presented. A great deal of immigration literature of one kind and another is being circulated at present, and the suggestions thrown out are merely given to represent what is believed to be a better plan for advertising the country than is the course usually followed in this matter.

In discussing the best mode of advertising the country, another suggestion may not be out of place. This is, that in describing the advantages of one district, care should be taken not to give a bad impression of other sections of the country. It is to be regretted that in some few instances, this undesirable feature has not always been avoided. It is a peculiar fact, that go where you will in Manitoba, you will find the residents declaring that their particular district is the very garden of the province, and the most desirable district in all this broad prairie country. This feature has frequently been impressed upon persons who have travelled through Manitoba and talked with the settlers in different sections of the country. That this is the case speaks volumes for the country as a home for immigrants. Pages of the most gushing immigration literature could not be so impressive as a knowledge of this simple fact. Where all are so

well pleased with their respective districts, it would seem that there is no need of making odious comparisons to the disadvantage of one section, in order to elucidate the advantages of another locality. Comparisons of this nature would be apt to excite feelings of mistrust in the imagination of the intending emigrant, and would be liable to do more harm than good.

THE LAND REGULATIONS.

A deputation of Members of Parliament and Senators from Manitoba and the Territories waited on the Minister of the Interior at Ottawa recently, to discuss certain points, regarding the administration of land matters in the West. Regarding canceled pre-emptions Hon. Mr. Dewdney said that the greatest leniency would be shown to those who had remained upon their homesteads and were worthy of generous treatment. To such ample time would be given to pay for pre-emptions. Regarding the agitation on for the restoration of second homesteading privileges, Mr. Dewdney spoke strongly against the system of allowing settlers who have received patents for their first homesteads to enter for second homesteads. In this respect the Minister of the Interior is certainly in the right. It is a great pity the custom of second homesteading was ever allowed at all. It was one of the worst features of the land regulations of the past, and one which has done uncalculable harm to hundreds of individual settlers and to the country. The privilege of second homesteading was abolished none too soon, and it is to be hoped that under no case will it be re-established. Ruin has been brought upon whole districts in Manitoba through the working of this regulation, and hundreds of farmers who by this time should have been in independent circumstances, are not as well off as they were years ago. A visit to the older settled portions of Manitoba will convince any one of the injury to the country which has resulted from second homesteading. From some of these older settled districts, there was a few years ago a regular exodus of settlers, who had received the patents for their first homesteads, and moved to more recently opened districts to take up second homesteads. These settlers had improved their homesteads by building and breaking up the land, and were getting things comfortable around them, but the desire to possess more land, which they were permitted to take up under the second homestead regulations, took hold of them, and they moved away to newly opened settlements, often far from markets, schools, churches, etc. In most instances the settlers mortgaged their farms before leaving to take up a second homestead. The result has been disastrous to many. The cost of moving to a new settlement and getting buildings and other necessities, would usually amount to a good deal more than the amount realized from the mort-

gage. In some instances the settlers were not fortunate in their farming operations on their second homesteads, and the cost of moving and starting afresh had so impoverished them, that they were unable to keep up the interest on their first homestead, and so the place passed into the hands of the loan companies. In other instances they were able to keep up the interest and even pay off the mortgage, but they lost in other ways. The buildings on the abandoned homestead were allowed to go to wreck, there being no person to look after them, and in some instances were burned by prairie fires. Fences were burned or carried off, and the cultivated land soon went back to its wild state and became overgrown with weeds. In almost every instance the taking up of a second homestead meant the loss of the improvements on the first homestead, and in most instances this loss was of more importance than the gain from the acquirement of additional land. In not a few instances farmers have abandoned their second homesteads and moved back to their first location, and this always meant a heavy loss of time in making improvements, expense of moving, etc. In almost every instance, where a farmer was prosperous, and desired more land, it would have paid him very much better to have purchased land near at hand, where he could have looked after his first homestead, even if obliged to pay a high price for the land, than to have moved away to a distant section where he could take up free Government land. The idea with many in moving from their farms to take up second homesteads was, that in a year or two they would be able to sell the farm for which they had the patent at a handsome profit. In this, however, they have been almost invariably disappointed, for where there is so much land in the market as in this country, prices could not naturally be expected to advance very fast. Where sales of the first homestead have been made after waiting a few years, the cost of moving to new districts, interest on mortgages and loss of abandoned improvements has usually amounted to more than has been gained by the move. Altogether the second homesteading privilege formerly permitted has been a very serious injury to this country, and it is to be hoped the Government will not listen to proposals to re-establish the system.

MUNICIPAL DIFFICULTIES.

The Manitoba Legislature devoted considerable time during the closing days of the session last week to the discussion of a rather awkward problem, and one which has been before the Legislature in various forms for the past two years. During the boom days of 1881-82, several municipal corporations in Manitoba contracted heavy indebtedness. Under the influence of the inflation which prevailed at the time, municipal corporations as well as individuals were led into many extravagant schemes, and the disposition to discount the future was followed up to an unwarranted extent.

Bonuses were granted freely to railway and other schemes, and heavy expenditures were made from which little or no good was derived. When the period of inflation passed away, some of our municipal corporations, like many individuals, found themselves so deeply involved that they were unable to meet their obligations. Inflated municipal assessment rolls dropped away to a fraction of their former amounts, and as the assessment roll went down, the proportion of liabilities to assets of course increased. The next step was that several municipal corporations surrendered their charters and the councils resigned, in order to prevent the execution of claims against the corporation. Various schemes have been proposed for the settlement of the difficulties arising from this unsatisfactory state of affairs, such for instance as the assumption by the province of a portion of the debt of the diseased municipalities, or the guaranteeing of interest thereon. This, however, was a very delicate question to handle. Should the province step in and assume the liabilities of a municipality, it would establish a very bad precedent, and the Government would be liable to be besieged with similar claims from all quarters. Another proposition was, that the Legislature should pass an act restraining the creditors of the diseased municipalities from proceeding to collect from the corporations, with the object of allowing disbanded corporations to resume municipal government. A radical measure of this nature to take away the right of a creditor to proceed according to law to collect his due, was, however, too monstrous a measure to find much favor in the Legislature. Finally a bill was passed providing for a commission to investigate the affairs of the bankrupt municipalities, under certain conditions, on the understanding that the Government would guarantee the interest upon a portion of the debt of the municipalities. The commission would make a report stating what portion of its debt the corporation was able to assume, and the rate of interest which it could pay upon such portion of its debt. If the creditors accepted the report of the commission, the Government would undertake to guarantee interest on the bonds issued under the new arrangement, or a portion thereof.

The question was revived during the late session of the Legislature, by the arrival of deputations from the towns of Emerson, West Lynne and Minnedosa, three of the corporations in difficulties, requesting assistance from the Legislature. In the case of Emerson and West Lynne, the Legislature has passed a bill introduced by the Attorney-General, providing for the amalgamation of the two towns under one municipal government, and for the guaranteeing of interest on the debt of the united corporation, to the amount of \$105,000, at three per cent. This does not represent the full indebtedness of the two corporations which are to be united, and the three per cent. is also a consider-

able reduction in the interest upon the debt, but it is understood the principal creditors have acquiesced in the arrangement. As security for the guarantee of interest, the Government will take a lien on the bridge across the Red River at Emerson, now owned by the corporation. This bridge is valued at an amount considerably in excess of the sum upon which interest is guaranteed by the Legislature, but its value as a merchantable commodity is probably nominal, unless at some future day it might be required for railway purposes.

In the case of Minnedosa, the Government will guarantee interest on the full debt of the corporation, amounting to \$75,000, but the interest upon the debt will be reduced to three per cent., the commission which investigated the affairs of the corporation having reported that the town was able to pay interest on the full debt, at the reduced rate of three per cent.

In the case of Emerson, where the guaranteed bonds are for a less amount than the full debt of the united towns, the bonds will be distributed *pro rata* among the creditors. A clause of the acts provides that the creditors shall not proceed against the towns for any debts contracted previous to the passage of the act, except in so far as the act provides for the payment of such debts, so long as the act remains in force. This of course takes away the right of the creditors to proceed against the corporations for any portion of their claims in excess of the portion provided for by the act. This is rather a radical measure, and one which can only be commended on the understanding that the creditors have agreed to the conditions provided for by the bill. If the creditors of the towns are willing to accept such an arrangement for the settlement of their claims, outsiders of course have no reason to object. It will be understood that the claims of the creditors remain in full, and that they are merely prevented in the meantime, by these bills, from proceeding against the towns to collect, while the act remains in force. At some future day some of these corporations may be able to meet their obligations in full, and if this turns out to be the case, the Legislature of the day should see that the creditors are given every facility to collect their claims. In the meantime it would appear the better plan for the creditors to take what they can get, and hope for more, rather than refuse a compromise settlement on any conditions.

As to the action of the Legislature in guaranteeing the bonds of the municipalities, the precedent thus established is certainly not a good one. However, the case is one which it is very desirable to have settled in some way, for the general credit of the province. The Government should make it distinctly understood, however, that the practice will not be followed up in the future, in the case of municipal corporations which may possibly hereafter get into difficulties.

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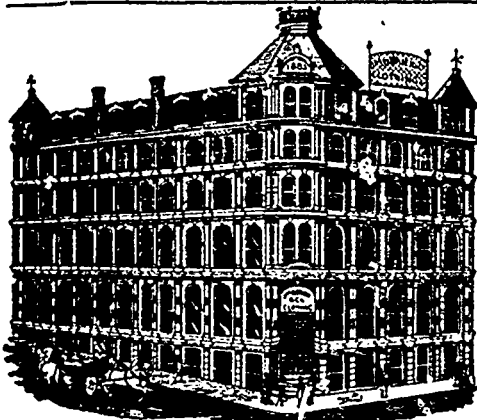
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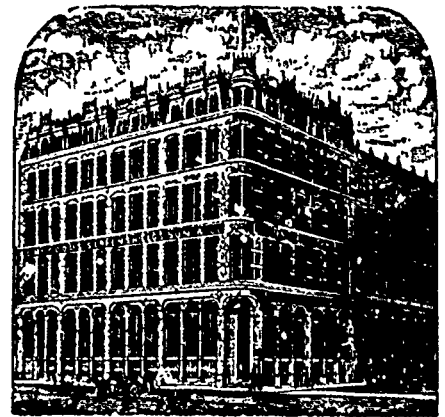
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WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

The fourth of March, which came on Monday of last week, was looked forward to with considerable interest for some time previous. A considerable amount of mercantile paper came due on that date, and this made the day the principal feature of interest for the week. After the results of the 4th of February, which was also a heavy day, very good returns were not expected for last Monday. Some indeed hoped for an improvement in payments in comparison with the 4th of the previous month, but this was confined to hope, while expectations were not sanguine that the returns would be particularly bright. The daily papers, the morning after the 4th of this month, published reports to the effect that payments were very good and very few renewals were made, but careful investigation shows that these reports were entirely unreliable. On the contrary, payments were decidedly poor, and renewals were the order of the day. Of course some dealers found payments better than others, but the average portion of paper met was decidedly small, and considerably less than the amount of paper unprovided for. This means that the proportion of paper met averaged under 50 per cent., but just how much under one half cannot be determined accurately, though a liberal discount can be made from the figures stated. In some individual cases less than 25 per cent. of papers was met. This applies more particularly to the textile trade, in which branch large amounts were due on the 4th. In some other lines of trade, where payments were for smaller amounts, and not particularly heavy last week, collections were reported as fair to good.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

The mild weather which prevailed last week and the previous week, has already had quite an influence on some lines of trade, particularly in agricultural implements, hardware, paints, lumber and building lines, etc. There was quite a noticeable improvement in these branches, undoubtedly due to the signs of spring. Fruits were also moving more freely, both in receipts and shipments. Quite a number of country buyers were in the city, but some of these were perhaps induced to come in owing to the sports going on in the city last week, and they left orders which otherwise would have been given to travellers. Business in country towns continued fairly active last week, owing to fairly large deliveries of grain by farmers, who are rushing in the balance of their crop, so as to be ready to commence seeding operations. In the city retail trade, business is still quiet. The seasons' immigration has already set in quite actively, a good many new settlers having arrived during last week, and passenger traffic, which was very light on the railways a few weeks ago, is now quite heavy. Prospects for a large immigration this season are considered good, and if expectations in this direction are realized, business will be considerably benefited thereby.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

The very mild weather of late, with every prospect of an early spring, has caused quite a bustle in this branch of trade. Supplies of

implements were being sent out to the different agencies as rapidly as possible, and not any too soon, as already implements for putting in the crop are in demand. Indeed, reports were coming in freely last week from different sections of the country that seeding had commenced. With the prospect of a large increase in the acreage likely to be sown this season, and also favorable prospects for a good immigration, the outlook for the implement trade is considered very bright. With a good harvest, the trade in agricultural implements, machinery, etc., this year will certainly be the largest in the history of the country.

DRUGS.

Business continues steady in this branch. The only change in prices to note is a reduction in tartaric acid of 5 to 10c. Quotations are: Howard's quinine, 75 to 90c; German quinine, 65 to 75c; morphia, \$2.25 to \$2.75; iodide of potassium, \$1.25 to \$1.75; bromide of potassium, 65 to 75c; American camphor, 45 to 50c; English camphor, 55 to 60c; glycerine, 30 to 40c; tartaric acid, 65 to 75c; cream of tartar, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg, \$8 to \$10; bicarb soda, \$4.50 to \$5; sal soda, \$2.50 to \$3; chlorate of potash, 30 to 35c; alum, \$4 to \$5; copperas, \$3 to \$3.25; sulphur flour, \$4.50 to \$5; sulphur roll, \$4.50 to \$5.25; American blue vitrol, 8 to 10c.

DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING.

There is very little buying yet in this market for present requirements and it is too early to look for much sorting trade, as dealers are not yet through shipping out first spring stocks. Foreign advices from Dundee and Belfast are uniform in reporting an active and strong market for nearly everything in the line of linen goods. Manufacturers are busy at all points, and prices are gradually rising, though not yet up in proportion to yarns. In Scotland there has been a genuine revival of the linen trade. Numerous mills for years standing idle have been re-started, and others are in course of getting new and improved machinery introduced.

FISH.

The mild weather has not been beneficial to the trade in fresh fish. In Lake Winnipeg frozen fish, the mild spell denobolized prices for a time, and whitefish sold as low as 3c on the market. The price henceforth will depend a good deal on the weather. Stocks of fresh sea fish are not large, but some are still held. No more will be brought in. Finnan haddies are in large supply, and it is reported that sales were made as low as 5c, dealers being anxious to get rid of stocks. Other fresh fish were generally easier. Oysters have commenced to advance, and are quoted 20c per gallon higher. Can oysters were about out of the market. Lake Winnipeg white irregular in price, owing to mild weather, and may be quoted from 5 to 7c. Pickerel are worth about 3 to 5c; pike, 2 to 3c; Lake Superior trout are quoted at 8c. Fresh salt water fish are offered as follows: Cod, 8c; haddock, 8c; tommy cods, 5c; smelts, 7 1/2 to 8c; per pound, the latter price for choice fish; herrings, \$2.00 per 100 fish; Gured fish are quoted at 1c; Boneless cod in crates of small boxes, 8c per pound; in boxes of from 25 to 40 pounds, 7 1/2c per lb; Labrador herrings, No. 1, \$4.50 per barrel; No. 2, \$8.50; No. 1;

\$5.25 in half barrels; smoked finnan haddies, 8 cents per pound; smoked red herrings, 30 cents per box; St. John hloaters, \$1.60. Oysters unchanged in price and quoted in bulk at \$2.00 a gallon for Standard and \$2.50 for Select. Cans are held at 50c to 60c for the same brands.

FRUITS—DRIED.

No changes to note in the following quotations:—Valencia raisins \$2.25 to \$2.35; Larger Valencias, \$2.75 to \$3.00; London layers \$4.75; Black Basket, 4 boxes, \$1.75; Black Crown, \$6.25. Now currants 7 1/2c; evaporated apples, 9 1/2c; peaches, 30c; apricots, 22 1/2c; peeled peaches, 22 to 23c; unpeeled peaches, 17 to 19c; prupellas, 19c; dried apples, 6 1/2 to 7c. Elemo figs, in 10 to 20 lb. boxes, 15 to 18c per lb; one pound boxes, \$1.75 per dozen; Fancy Tunis dates on stem, 20c per pound; fancy golden dates in 50 lb. boxes, 9c per pound; ordinary dates, 7c per lb; walnuts, 18c per lb; peanuts, raw, 15c; roasted, 17c; almonds, 20c; pecans, 17c; Filberts, 15c; Brazils, 17c per lb; Coconuts, \$10 per 100.

FRUITS—GREEN.

Apples were received freely in car lots from the south last week, and also from Ontario, including a quantity of choice Ben Davis. California oranges in car lots are expected to arrive to-day. Some Florida oranges are still in the market. Prices are: Fancy Ben Davis, \$3.75 to \$4.00 per barrel; other choice varieties in good condition, \$3.50 per barrel. Messina lemons are quoted at \$5.50 to \$6.00 per box. Florida fancy blood oranges, \$7 per box. Good Floridas, \$6.50. Messina oranges, \$5 to \$5.50 per box. California Riverside seedling oranges, to arrive about \$5 per box. California Washington Naval oranges, about \$6.50 per box. Bananas, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per bunch. Malaga grapes in 50 to 65 pound kegs are quoted at \$9 to \$11 as to size of keg. Cranberries are quoted: bell and cherry, \$9 to \$9.50; bell and bugle, \$9.50 to \$10. More or less damaged cranberries, as low as \$7.00 per barrel. Southern red onions, \$1.25 per crate of 50 pounds; Spanish onions, \$1.75 per crate of about 50 pounds; cider, rectified, in barrels, 35c per gallon.

GROCERIES.

The foreign statistical position of sugar is reported strong, and the markets are reported active and higher. It was rumored, last week that the Canadian sugar combine was breaking up, and that prices were being cut in eastern domestic markets. If this is the case, it might prevent dealers from taking advantage of strong foreign markets to advance prices. Japan and Young Hyson teas, especially cheaper grades, are strong at New York and other points. Coffees are strong. Rice is reported a short crop, and prices advancing. Quotations here are:—Sugars, yellows 6 1/2 to 7c; granulated, 8 1/2c; lumps 9 1/2 to 9 3/4c. Coffees—Rios, from 21 to 24c; Java, 25 to 30c; Old Government, 33 to 34c; Mochas, 32 to 35c. Teas, Japan, 23 to 46c; Congons, 22 to 60c; Indian teas, 35 to 60c; young hyson, 26 to 50c. T. and B. tobacco, 56c per pound; P. of W., butts, 46c; P. of W. caddies, 47c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c; Rief, 7s, 53c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d. thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunetto Solace, 12s,

48c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Kalliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40; Tertier, \$30 per 1000.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

There is very little movement, and it is thought country outchers are probably holding and salting down their stocks. Prices are as follows: Winnipeg inspected, No. 1, 3½c; No. 2, 2½c; No. 3, 2c. Calfskins are quoted at 4 to 5c, but few are offering and most are classed at kip, which are worth 2c. Sheepskins 25 to 50c as to quality.

HARDWARE AND METALS.

Business has shown quite an improvement, owing to indications of an early spring. Travellers are now beginning to go on the road. There are no changes in prices to note, and none likely before navigation opens. Prices are generally firm. Iron is reported very firm in English markets. Prices here are: Cut nails, 10d and larger \$2.60; I. C. tin plates, \$5.75 to \$6.25; I. C. tin plates double, \$11.50 to \$12.00; Canada plates, \$3.75 to \$4.; sheet iron, \$3.75 to \$5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, 25 to 45 per cent, according to size, off list prices; ingot tin, 32½ per lb., bar iron, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 9½ to 6½; per lb.; tarred felt, \$2.30 to \$2.75 per 100 lbs. barbed wire, 6½ to 7c

LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Trade is described as quite active in this branch. Orders have been coming in freely for leather. The manufacturing department is especially active. A large demand for shoe uppers is reported. Harness leather is quoted slightly lower, and American oak butts is 5c lower in price. Quotations are: Spanish sole, 26 to 30c; slaughter sole, 26 to 30c; French calf, first choice, \$1.25 to \$1.50; Canadian calf, 75c to \$1.00; French kip, \$1 to \$1.10; B Z kip, 85 to 90c; Bourdon kip, 7c; slaughter kip, 55 to 65c; No. 1, wax upper, 45 to 50c; grain upper, 50c; harness leather, 26 to 30c for plump stock. American oak butts, 45 to 50c; buffe, 17 to 21c a foot; cordovan, 17 to 21c; pebble, 21c; colored linings, 12c shoe uppers, from \$1.25 to \$2.75.

PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.

Business is commencing to move in this branch, and from far western points, orders for immediate shipment are coming in. Orders have been freely taken throughout the province, also for spring stocks, but not for immediate wants. Prices are steady as follows: Turpentine, 90c in five-gallon cans, or 85c in barrels; harness oil \$1.00; neatsfoot oil, \$1.25; linseed oil, raw, 68c per gallon; boiled, 70c in barrels or 5c advance in five-gallon lots; seal oil, steam refined, \$1; castor, 12½ per lb.; lard, No. 1, \$1.25 per gal. olive oil, pure, \$1.50; union salad, \$1.25; machine oils, black 25 to 40c; fine qualities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, silver star, 26c; water white, 29c. American oils, Eocene, 34c; water white, 31c; sunlight, 28c. Calcined plaster, \$3.75 per barrel; Portland cement, \$5 to \$5.50; pure white lead, \$7.25; genuine do. \$7.00; No. 1 \$6.50; No. 2 \$6.00; window glass, first break, \$2.15. Alabastine, \$8 per case of 20 pkgs.

LUMBER.

The mild weather has brought signs of awakening in the lumber trade. Building is

already commencing at some points, and prospects are favorable for a goods season's trade, at firm prices. Millmen have already commenced to make any contemplated improvements in their mills, to be ready to cut as soon as the season opens. In some instances the early break-up has inconvenienced operations in the woods, but to what extent is not fully known.

GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

WHEAT.

Wheat got down last week at Chicago to under the dollar price for May, for the first time for weeks. In Manitoba prices do not seem to be influenced greatly by the weaker feeling in Chicago and Duluth markets, and prices being paid here are now relatively higher than at any previous time this season. Prices had a wide range in the different provincial markets, from 95c at some points to \$1.05 at other places, these prices being to farmers for best hard samples. About \$1 per bushel would be the average price for No. 1 hard to farmers in provincial markets. At the mills in Winnipeg, \$1 was about the best price paid for loads, to farmers. In Eastern Canada markets big prices are occasionally asked for choice Manitoba wheat, and some lots are held away above the market value. Bids are usually under prices asked, and sales are therefore light. About \$1.37 to \$1.38 has been frequently asked for Manitoba No. 1 hard at Montreal, and bids usually about \$1.25. Eastern markets are influenced to some extent by the weaker feeling at Chicago, but prices, however, hold up fairly well. The reason for this is that Eastern Canada markets have been comparatively considerably lower than Chicago and Duluth, and have been slowly coming up to the level with the latter markets. The comparative difference between eastern Canada and Chicago and Duluth, markets is now considerably less than it was earlier in the season. Deliveries of wheat in Manitoba by farmers last week were not as large as the previous week, and showed a considerable falling off by the close of the week. The large increase in prices the week before last, and the early days of last week is thought to have pretty well exhausted wheat held by farmers. With the indications of an early spring, farmers have no doubt pushed in their surplus wheat, so as to be ready for seeding. Some wheat seeding was done in various parts of Manitoba last week, and a few fields were sown during the closing days of the week before last. The colder weather on the last two days of last week would probably stop further seeding for the present.

FLOUR.

Owing to the high prices ruling for wheat, millers have been forced to advance flour prices. Immediately after our last report was issued flour prices to the local trade were advanced 20c all around, and have since held strong at the advance. Quotations therefore are:—Patents, \$3.20; strong bakers, \$3.00; XXXX, \$2.40; superfine \$1.85; Graham flour, \$3.00; middlings, \$3.20.

MILLSTUFFS.

Prices hold unchanged at \$10 per ton for bran, and \$12 per ton for shorts, with \$1 per ton advance asked for small lots.

Some demand is reported, but generally this commodity may be described as rather dull. Stocks of good, however are not large, and probably less than what they have been at this season for the last year or two. However, with the demand light, there is enough to meet requirements. Not much fresh roll butter is coming yet, but receipts of this quality may be expected to increase right along, and the demand upon dealers from the city trade, which will be more fully supplied by farmers as the season advances, will therefore grow gradually less. About 19 to 20c per lb. is the general quotation for best qualities of dairy.

EGGS.

Prices were a little steadier last week, and 20c per dozen was the usual quotation in case lots, for strictly fresh. Sales were heard of, however, at as low as 18c per dozen on some days.

LARD.

Home rendered is usually held at \$2.40 in 20 lb. pails, and Chicago at \$2.35.

CURED MEATS.

The lower prices in the following quotations are for cash or very short time sales, mostly to the city trade. Prices are:—Mess pork, \$19 per bbl; long clear dry salt bacon, 10 to 10½c per lb; smoked breakfast bacon, 13 to 13½c; rolls, 12 to 12½c; hams, 14 to 14½c; pork sausage, 9c per lb.

DRESSED MEATS.

Receipts of hogs continue light. It was thought that the mild weather would bring out any stocks held at country points, but as receipts have not increased much it has been concluded that very few were held. Prices held at 7 to 7½c, with if anything a firmer tendency. A good deal of frozen beef is being offered, for which there is now scarcely any demand, as dealers are afraid to touch it at this late date, with mild weather prevailing. A good deal has been injured in appearance owing to getting soft. Prices for frozen beef can hardly be quoted, as the commodity is worth just what it will bring, but may be quoted at 5 to 4½c for good to choice. Fresh unfrozen beef is quoted at 6 to 6½c. Matton, steady at 9 to 10c. Veal 8 to 10c.

POULTRY.

Chickens are not plentiful, and good fresh dressed fowl will bring 12 to 12½c. Stocks of turkeys and geese held are the balance of frozen lots, and worth 10 to 11c.

VEGETABLES.

There is not much change in this line. Potatoes usually bring about 30c per bushel in quantities; onions, \$1.20 to \$1.50; carrots, 60c; turnips, 25c; parsnips, \$1, beets, 50c, all per bushel. Celery scarce, 40 to 75c per dozen bunches, as to quality. Cabbage average 75c to \$1 per dozen for good.

Sowing Wheat.

For a frozen country, such as Manitoba is considered to be by some ill informed foreigners, it is surprising how early seeding operations are commenced in the spring. Wheat seeding was reported as going on last week in various sections of the country, all the way from the Red River westward to the Rocky Mountains, and several fields of wheat were sown during the previous week. On the Government experimental farm, at Brandon, Man., a field of wheat was sown on Saturday, Mar. 2.

Alex. Tough, grain merchant, Montreal, has gone to Chicago. It is said he is in financial difficulties.

The Ontario Government will assist in the establishment of a smelter at Port Arthur. This should give that famous mining region a great "boom."

GARRETT & MENNIE will establish a foundry at Morden, Man.

BALKWILL, of Deloraine, announces a sale by auction of his grocery stock, etc.

R. BALKWILL, grocer, Deloraine, has closed out his stock and moved to Ontario.

Geo. SILLERS has bought out the blacksmithing business of A. L. Wells, Balmoral, Man.

W. J. MITCHELL, of the Mitchell Drug Co., Winnipeg, returned from the east last week.

JOHN MASON, grocer, Winnipeg, is in difficulties, and is being closed out by his creditors.

G. MANUEL, Deloraine, Man., has again taken hold of his old blacksmithing business at that place.

SELKIRK merchants have decided to close their stores daily at 7.30 p.m., on and after Monday, 11th inst.

P. J. FOULDS & Co., groceries, Westminster, B.C., advertise retiring from business and offer stock for sale at cost.

The selection of a site for Hastings Bros. & Co's flour mill at Port Arthur, has been made and the property secured.

The Morden Monitor says: Strachan & Campbell, of Winnipeg, are about to open out in the dry goods line here.

W. N. Johnson, of W. N. Johnston & Co., wholesale leather, etc., Winnipeg, has returned from an eastern business trip.

PARTIES in Fergus, Ont., are said to be negotiating with a view to erecting a hundred-barrel steam flour and oatmeal mill at Birtle, Man.

N. H. JACKSON, drugs, Winnipeg and Stone-wall, Man., denies a rumor that he intended closing his branch at the latter place.

R. H. GILHULY, merchant, Selkirk, Man., has been appointed agent at that place for the Northern Pacific & Manitoba Railway.

R. T. RILEY, manager at Winnipeg for the W. E. Sanford Manufacturing Co., returned last week from an extended western tour.

An early opening of navigation is predicted on Lake Superior. Open water may now be seen from Thunder Cape, near Port Arthur.

The bankrupt stock of Hamilton & Co., Morris, which was sold by auction in Winnipeg on Tuesday last, brought 62 cents on the dollar. Lawrie Bros., general merchants, of Morris, were the purchasers. From the time Hamilton started in business about a year ago, it was considered that his failure would only be a matter of time. He seemed, however, to have had little difficulty in obtaining credit.

At the last meeting of the Port Arthur board of trade the secretary read a letter from the Department of the Inland Revenue acknowledging the receipt of the communication from the board dated Feb. 28th, and stating that amendments would be made to the Inspection Act which would allow the Governor-in-Council to appoint a representative of the Port Arthur board on the board empowered to fix the standards of western grain. Geo. A. Graham and Geo. T. Marks were appointed a committee to draft resolutions to be forwarded to the Dominion Government with reference to the dredging of Port Arthur harbor and the Kaminiatiquia.

The Cincinnati Price Current of March 1st says: The total pork packing in the West the past week has been about 250,000 hogs compared with 200,000 the preceding week. The increase for the week over corresponding time last year has been approximately 50,000 hogs. So far as can be judged from data now available the winter season will close about 550,000 to 575,000 hogs short of the packing last year, in number. The quality of current receipts continues good, and above the average for the time of the year. Prices of hogs have shifted moderately during the week, and at the close are about the same as a week ago, at most centres. There is a growing feeling of confidence on the basis of current values, and most of the few packers now operating are evidently disposed to continue at work, while the supply is maintained. Not that any special advance in the near future is looked for or deemed likely to occur, but that the previous tendency to a decline in the prices of product has given way to a steadier condition, justifying the view that changes hereafter may be expected to be in the direction of some improvement.

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Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

On Monday, March 4, May wheat opened at 1/2c higher than Saturday's close, at \$1.03 3/4, and ranged during the day from \$1.03 1/4 to \$1.04 1/4. The market was fairly firm, and with good outside buying. Closing prices were:

Table with 5 columns: Commodity, Mar., May, June, July. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, and Short Ribs.

May wheat opened at \$1.03 3/4 on Tuesday, and ranged from \$1.00 1/4 to \$1.03 1/4. July wheat ranged from 88 to 90 3/4c. The decline seemed due to the feeling that prices were above the commercial value of the cereal. Receipt of hogs were light, and provisions advanced sharply. Closing prices were:

Table with 5 columns: Commodity, Mar., May, June, July. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, and Short Ribs.

May wheat opened at \$1.00 3/4 on Wednesday, and ranged from \$1.00 1/4 to \$1.02 1/4. July wheat ranged from 96 to 97c. The market was nervous but, with light offerings, prices were kept up fairly well. It is said said some large lots of wheat are held in strong hands. Provisions experienced good buying. Closing prices were:

Table with 5 columns: Commodity, Mar., May, June, July. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, and Short Ribs.

May wheat opened 1/2c higher, on Thursday, and ranged as high as \$1.04. Closing prices were:

Table with 5 columns: Commodity, Mar., May, June, July. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, and Short Ribs.

Trading in wheat was quiet on Friday, and the market had a lower and nervous tendency. Prices opened at about yesterday's closing figures, which were the highest quotations of the day. May wheat went as low as \$1.01 1/4. Closing prices were:

Table with 5 columns: Commodity, Mar., May, June, July. Rows include Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, and Short Ribs.

Closing prices on Saturday were: March 90 3/4c; May, 99 3/4c; June, 93 1/4c.

Minneapolis Markets.

Closing quotations on Change on Thursday for wheat were from 3 to 6c lower than a week ago, as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Commodity, Mar. 4, May, On track. Rows include No. 1 hard, No. 1 northern, No. 2.

Quotations for flour had a range of 10c lower than a week ago on bakers' and patents, as follows: Patents, sacks to local dealers, \$6.20 to \$6.40; patents to ship,

sacks car lots, \$5.90 to \$6.20; in barrels, \$6.15 to \$6.35. Delivered at New England points, \$6.90 to \$7.15; bakers, here, \$4.10 to \$5.20; superior, \$2.50 to \$4.10; red dog, sacks, \$1.35 to \$1.60; red dog, barrels, \$1.60 to \$1.85.

Bran and Shorts—The market was fairly steady with sales of bran at \$8.75 to \$9 and \$9.25. Common shorts were about 25c per ton below bran.

Barley—Common lots sold slowly at 40 to 45c; good at 45 to 50c and damaged by frost and stain not selling.—Market Record.

Duluth Wheat Market.

Closing prices on Change for No. 1 hard on each day of the week were:

Table with 5 columns: Day, Cash, Mar., May, June. Rows include Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

Closing prices Saturday for wheat were: Cash, \$1.10; March \$1.11; May \$1.15; June, \$1.14; July, \$1.13.

Montreal Stock Market.

The following quotations on March 8 as compared with prices on Feb. 22, will indicate the course of the stock market:

Table with 6 columns: Location, Offered, Bid, Offered, Bid. Rows include Montreal, Ontario, Toronto, Merchants, Commerce, Molson's, Union, N. W. Land Co., C. P. R.

Chicago Provision-Prices.

Prices on Wednesday for cash meats were: Green meats—shoulders, per pound, 1 1/4 to 5c; hams, per pound, 8 3/4c. Loose dry salted shoulders, per 100 pounds, \$5.25 to \$5.50; short ribs, per 100 pounds, \$6.25 to \$6.30; long clear, per 100 pounds, \$5.30 to \$6.35; short clear, per 100 pounds, \$6.40 to \$6.45. Boxed meats—Long and short clear, per 100 pounds, \$6.50 to \$6.55; Cumberlands, per pound, 7 1/4 to 7 1/2c; Staffordshire sides, per pound, 7 1/4 to 8c; smoked hams, per pound, 8 1/2 to 9 1/4c.

Chicago Barley Market.

Nothing new transpired in the barley market. About enough is sent along each day to supply the moderate wants of buyers and there is no activity in the trade, with the good to choice lots relatively firmer than poor and common, which forms the bulk of the supply. Prices a day averaged only steady, with very poor to fair salable at 26 to 48c and good to choice at 52 to 67c. Trading in barley above 63c is mostly in lots to arrive.

Sales on track of cars were reported as follows: New No. 4 car at 28c; Lat. 35c; Lat 36c: 1 at 40; 10 at 42c. New No. 3 1 car at 46c; Lat 48c: 1 at 50c; 1 choice at 55c; 1 at 58c, 4 at 61c. Special bin No. 3, 2,500 bushels at 30c.—Daily Business, March 9

A. W. E. THOMPSON, manufacturers' agent and commission dealer, Winnipeg, returned from a business trip east on Thursday.

Wheat Statistics.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The following shows the stocks in bushels, of wheat at the principal points in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains; also, in transit by lake and rail, on the dates named, according to the Chicago statement:—

Table with 4 columns: Date, 1889, 1888, 1887. Rows include February 16, February 23, March.

Decrease for the week ended March 2, 739,769 bushels.

BREADSTUFFS ON PASSAGE.

The following shows the quantity of wheat and flour equivalent to wheat, expressed in quarters, (8 bushels to the quarter) on passage to Great Britain and Europe, on the dates named:—

Table with 4 columns: Date, March 2, Feb. 23, March 3. Rows include To Great Britain, To Europe.

WHEAT IN STORE.

The following shows the wheat in store, in bushels, at the points mentioned, on the dates named:—

Table with 2 columns: Location, Date. Rows include Chicago, Minneapolis, Duluth, Montreal, Toronto.

EXPORTS FROM THE UNITED STATES.

The exports of wheat and flour (expressed in bushels) for the first seven months of the fiscal year ending January 31, last, were as follows:—

Table with 3 columns: Location, 1888-89, 1887-88. Rows include Atlantic ports, Pacific ports.

Total... 57,164,164 79,654,529

The exports for the month of January were:—

Table with 3 columns: Location, 1889, 1888. Rows include Atlantic ports, Pacific ports.

Total... 6,257,104 7,520,360

Exports from principal Atlantic ports for the week ending Mar. 2, and the corresponding week last year, were:—

Table with 3 columns: Commodity, 1889, 1888. Rows include Flour, brls., Wheat, bu.

WHEAT AT PRIMARY MARKETS.

The following table shows the receipts of spring wheat at the markets mentioned from June 30, 1888, to March 2, 1889, compared with two previous years:—

Table with 4 columns: Location, 1888-89, 1887-88, 1886-87. Rows include Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Duluth.

Total bu... 50,075,000 65,718,000 67,625,000

The total receipts of winter wheat at the markets mentioned from July 30, 1888, to March 2, 1889, compared with two previous years, were as follows:—

Table with 4 columns: Location, 1888-89, 1887-88, 1886-87. Rows include St. Louis, Toledo, Detroit, Kansas City, Cincinnati.

Total bu... 27,519,000 27,563,000 30,103,000

T. NIXON, of Nixon & Co., boots and shoes Winnipeg, returned from an eastern business trip last week.

W. A. HASTINGS, of Hastings Bros. & Co., returned from an eastern trip last week. Geo. V. Hastings and S. A. McGaw, of the same firm, went to Montreal on Friday.

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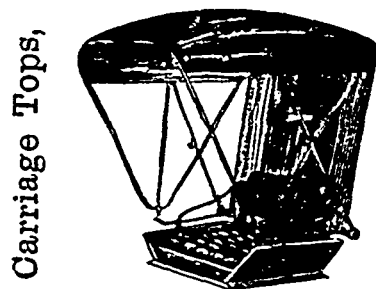


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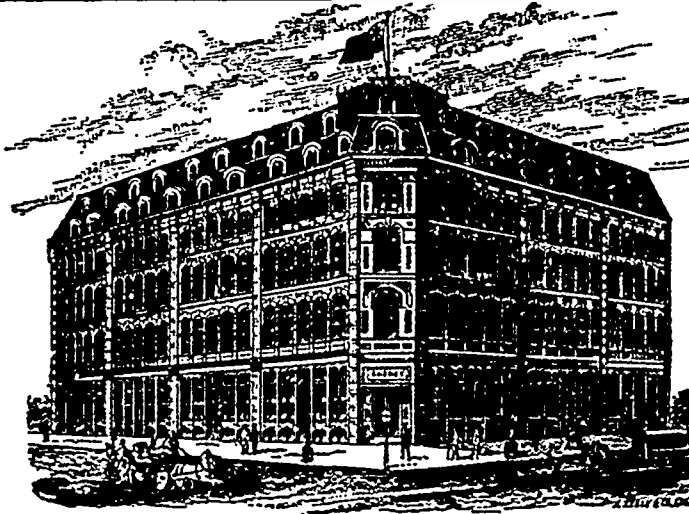
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Lumber Cuttings.
Geo. P. Wells, of Palliser, B.C., states that
they have enough logs out this winter to cut
2,225,000 feet of lumber.

Vigars Bros., Vancouver, will put in a new
125 horsepower engine in their mill. This will
double the horse power of the mill.
Hughes & Kennedy, lumber, Rat Portage and
Braudon, have dissolved partnership. J. H.
Hughes winds up the business of the late firm.

The Moodyville Mill, opposite Vancouver, B.
C., has started up, having been thoroughly
overhauled and its cutting capacity greatly in-
creased. Springer, the manager, says that
several vessels are on their way to load with
lumber, for which he has already orders on
hand to the extent of ten million feet.

Fred. Robinson, of the Beaver sawmill, B.C.,
has disposed of his mill business to an in-
corporated company, to be known as the
Columbia River Lumber Company, Limited, of
which Ross & McKenzie and himself are the
principal shareholders. The capital of the
company is \$30,000. Robinson will be general
manager. The company will at once com-
mence the erection of a new gang and circular
mill, and expect to have it in running order by
May 1st. The mill will have a capacity of 80,-
000 feet a day, besides shingles and lath.
Work will be continued in the old mill until
the completion of the new one. The company
already have 21,500 logs in the yard, and will
employ from 100 to 150 men.

The Vancouver Lumber Company's new mill,
Vancouver, B.C., proprietors Anderson &
Grady, is being rapidly put in shape and will
be, the management confidently expect, run-
ning within thirty days. The machinery of the
most approved pattern will be all here in a
fortnight and will at once be placed in position.
The engine will be of 195 horse power. The
machinery is of Wm. Hamilton's manufacture
and will include a Cunningham steam feed, E.
B. Allis' set works, 6 saws, heavy edge, ad-
justable feed, Allis' live rolls and a full set of
lath machinery. The capacity of the mill will
be from fifty to sixty thousand feet per day
of lumber and 20,000 laths. The mill itself
will when completed be 200 feet in length
and 40 feet in width. The number of men
employed will be thirty-five to forty. A
full line of planing machinery will be put in
as soon as the mill has been completed.

THE announcement is made from Ottawa that settlers in Manitoba and the Territories will be allowed to take burnt or fallen timber from unpatented Dominion lands without the payment of the usual timber dues. Permits will be granted settlers who desire to avail themselves of this privilege, at the nominal cost of 25 cents for each permit. Permits may be obtained from the agencies of the department in this country. Settlers will be allowed to take under these permits only such timber as they may require for their own personal use for fuel, fencing, etc., but not for sale.

THE difficulty between the Manitoba Government and the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway Company, regarding arrears of interest on the bonds of the company, guaranteed by the Government, has been arranged to the satisfaction of all parties interested. The company it is understood, will settle for the interest within a year, and in the meantime the Government is given additional security on certain lands owned by the company. The amicable settlement of the difficulty will be received with general favor, as it is not desirable for either the Province or the company that any harsh means should be resorted to.

THE movement in Eastern Canada to shorten credits in the dry goods trade, apparently is not proving very successful. The *Montreal Trade Bulletin* relates that a Toronto wholesale dry goods house has recently been extending its business in that city through offering long terms of credit, orders having been taken for goods that have already been delivered, the promissory notes for which are dated six months from May 1st, 1889, thus giving customers eight months' time on a class of goods which have hitherto been bought at four months. "Of course the Toronto house referred to," says the *Bulletin*, "can upon such terms obtain orders without much difficulty, but we must say that it is a step in the wrong direction and will probably lead to other houses following suit, in order to prevent this pushing concern encroaching upon their business to any extent. At this rate we fear the repeated resolves made by our merchants to shorten credits will receive a further serious check by the competitive action of the house referred to, in offering long time in order to extend its connection. A splendid opening is now offered for weak buyers, if they can only catch on."

A. R. TRACEY, of Medicine Hat, Assa., was recently charged by Inland Revenue Inspector Barret with manufacturing malt, and also malt beer. He was found guilty on four charges and given the option of paying a fine of \$300 and costs, which amounted to \$34, or imprisonment for a term of eight months. There seems to be a very great hardship in connection with this sentence. A number of breweries for the manufacture of light beer, had been from time to time established in the Territories. In some instances quite an amount of money was invested in these industries, and in most cases the investment represented the total capital of the proprietor. These breweries were not interfered with for years, and by common consent the business was looked upon as perfectly lawful. Suddenly an

official announcement was made that all the breweries in the Territories must be closed. This order has subjected the proprietors of these industries to great hardship. Subsequently an order was issued allowing the importation into the Territories and sale therein of light beer, to be not over four per cent. in strength. Thus, while the brewers in the Territories are compelled to close their establishments, the importation of beer is permitted. This is a very anomalous situation. The closing of the breweries has practically amounted to the confiscation of the property of the proprietors of these institutions, and it does seem rather hard that these investments should be rendered valueless while the importation of beer is allowed. The Government, in allowing the establishment and operation of breweries in the Territories for years, tacitly recognized the business as legal, and therefore the brewers have vested rights, which should not be so ruthlessly destroyed. At any rate, while the importation of light beer is permitted, there would seem to be no genuine reason for prohibiting the manufacture of a similar article in the country.

THE great scheme to take the members of the Canadian Parliament on a trip through the United States, has fallen through. Late reports from Washington indicate that the matter has been dropped for the present. The organizers of the scheme wanted Congress to appropriate a few hundred thousand dollars to pay the expenses of the trip, and this is where the difficulty came in. The House appropriation committee it is said was in favor of recommending the granting of the money, but a majority of the Senate could not be secured in favor of the scheme, hence it was allowed to drop for the present. The scheme of inviting the members of the Parliament of Canada to make a tour of the United States, at the expense of that nation, is quite a novelty. The idea of the originators was, that the visitors should go in a body, and be escorted through the country, visiting the great cities and principal points of interest, while enjoying the fullest freedom of the country and hospitality of the people. The scheme was apparently quite popular with many politicians and people in the United States, judging from the utterances of the press. Perhaps the idea in that country was, that the Canadians would be so impressed with the greatness of the Republic, that they would all be made annexationists, and on their return to Ottawa would at once vote Canada into the Union. However this may be, the favor with which the proposals were received, must be taken as an indication of friendly feeling for this country on the part of the United States. Had the scheme been carried through at Washington, we see no reason why our legislators should not have accepted the friendly invitation which would have been given them to visit the United States as guests of the nation, in the same friendly spirit which would have accompanied the invitation. Some government organs in this country have professed to sneer at this scheme, but all the same the carrying out of the proposals should result in good, by assisting in cultivating a friendly feeling between the

two great English speaking divisions of this continent. The more the people of Canada and the United States become acquainted with each other socially and commercially the better it will be for both countries, and every opportunity for the cultivation of international friendship should be taken advantage of. Canada has only one neighbor on this continent and that is the United States. The same is almost true of the United States with the names of the two countries transposed. As the scheme of inviting the Canadian legislators to the United States has been dropped, it might not be a bad idea for Canada to take the initiative in such a friendly move, and invite Congress to visit this country in a body. Many politicians in the United States are sadly in need of a little personal knowledge concerning our country. A half a million dollars or so would do the business, and it would be money well expended. Besides it might lead Congress, on its return to Washington, to vote the United States into annexation with this country, and then we would have the big surplus of the Republic to draw upon to pay the expenses of the trip.

Dairy Matters.

A. Patterson's cheese factory, near Rapid City, Man., will be carried on on a larger scale this season than heretofore.

R. Scott, of Shoal Lake, Man., will establish a creamery in that district, if he can induce a sufficient number of farmers to take an interest in the scheme.

It is reported that the cheese factory at Carman, Man., is not expected to be put in operation next summer, though an effort may yet be made to start the factory.

Stock books have been opened to subscribers, with the object of securing the establishment of a creamery at Wapella, Assa. A committee has also been appointed to push the scheme.

Waldock, who operates the cheese factory at Shoal Lake, Man., has decided to continue the manufacture of cheese for another season. Recently it was announced that he would turn the cheese factory into a creamery, but after further consideration he has decided to abandon the creamery scheme for the present.

Grain and Milling.

The Carberry mill has been closed for some time.

A correspondent writes that \$5,000 can be secured as a bonus in aid of a flour mill at Broadview, Assa.

At a public meeting held at Arden, Man., recently, it was decided to submit a by-law to Lansdowne municipality for the granting of a \$4,000 bonus for a roller mill at Arden.

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Employer (after a moment's pause)—Do you drink?

Applicant—Thanks. Don't care if I do.—
Burlington Free Press.

London Fur Sales.

Phillips, Polizer & Co., of London, England, have issued the following report of C. M. Lampson & Co.'s last fur sale:

Almost every article was disposed of at a substantial rise; dealers and manufacturers from all parts of the Continent participated in the purchase of goods, and orders for American houses were executed in articles which were not usually secured by them in this market. For the first time on this occasion C. M. Lampson & Co. included in their catalogue Australian furs, and have in so far scored a success that these goods, through their strict and reliable assortment, realized about 10 per cent. more than the same goods in the hands of other brokers.

Beavers, 12,672 skins; last year, 18,248.—Average about 20 per cent. advance, the large skins meeting with more favor; principally secured by English and German buyers.

Musquash, 610,000 skins; last year, \$62,855.—Old stocks being entirely cleared and the fresh supply unusually small, resulted in an advance of 50 per cent. on firsts and seconds, and 80 to 90 per cent. on thirds and fourths; the largest portion went to Germany; a part was bought for France and England.

Musquash, black, 22,000 skins; last year, 33,759.—Were 75 per cent. higher.

Fox, gray, 5,000 skins; last year, 5,071.—Declined 10 per cent.

Australian opossum, 175,000 skins; last year, none.—Realized about 10 per cent. more than in the sales held during last week, and consequently, 20 per cent. over November prices.

Wallaby 9,400 skins; last year, none.—Have only lately come into extensive use, and commanded very high prices compared with former years.

Both rock and swamp wallaby are of equal value, prices for good blue skins being as follows: Extra large, firsts, 2s 3d; seconds, 2s 1d; thirds, 10d. Large, firsts, 2s 6d; seconds, 1s 8d; thirds, 8½d. Small, firsts, 1s 9d; seconds, 1s 3d; thirds, 9d.

Wombat, 3,000 skins; last year, none.—Like wallaby, have only lately come into more request, and prices were considerably above those of last week; best skins sold at 13d to 16d.

Fox, Japanese, 1,760 skins; last year none.—The prices for first large, according to quality and size, varied from 3s 3d to 4s 6d; seconds, 2s 1d to 2s 9d, and thirds, 1s 1d to 1s 7d.

Raccoons, 150,000 skins; last year, 103,000.—First and seconds advanced 20 per cent; thirds, 40 per cent., and fourths, more than double of what they brought in June; chiefly bought for Germany, some for France and England and some of the lower sort for American account.

Skunk, 135,000 skins; last year, 137,000.—A considerable portion consisted of somewhat dry and faded skins, which, compared with the same sort sold last summer, show an advance of 25 per cent; fresh goods rose fully 40 per cent.; the striped skins being eagerly competed for at very high prices.

Lynx, 3,217 skins; last year, 8,110.—At the low value of this article last year it found ready sale, and stocks have been entirely disposed of;

besides the importation of the Hako's Bay Company, being less than half of last year's, the result was an advance of over 50 per cent. on first large, and just about 100 per cent. on all other grades.

Fox, white, 2,264 skins; last year, 4,825.—Has not sold very freely yet; owing probably to the present supply, we have to record an advance of 10 per cent.

Squirrel, 50,000 skins; last year, 62,668.—This article has been greatly neglected of late years, and prices were so low that gradually it has forced itself into general and very extensive use; values since last summer have been constantly advancing, and in the present sale a rise of 40 per cent. was obtained, compared with January, 1888.

Wolves, 1,663 skins; last year, 4,377, are in very little demand and somewhat lower than last June.

Badger, 1,500 skins; last year none. A very indifferent parcel, of which one lot of really fine skins realized 31s 6d.

Cat, common, 1,000 skins, last year, 1,039, sold very high, in some instances at more than double of last year's prices.

Cat, house, 6,000 skins; last year, 7,060. Average considerably less than last year.

Hair seals, 9,000 skins; last year, 7,880, are not in request and declined about thirty per cent.

Marten, 23,000 skins; last year, 23,521. Even at the extremely low prices of last year, this article could not be satisfactorily disposed of in England; but judging from this sale, a more promising future seems to be near at hand, for, although the lower class skins show scarcely an improvement, yet the largest portion of the present collection, consisting of superior goods, advanced to an enormous extent, all better grades and good colored skins being eagerly competed for at double and even treble the price of last year. Purchases were chiefly for America.

Mink, 65,000 skins; last year, 117,833. The demand for this article is decidedly increasing; considerable orders for American account were received, which fact, coupled with the present small collection, caused an advance of forty per cent., more especially on the better grades.

American opossums, 68,000 skins; last year, 74,175, in good request. Firsts were twenty per cent. and seconds even fifty per cent. higher.

17,133 Northwest Coast and 5,500 Lobos Island, 1,009 Japanese and Cape Horn; last year, 26,605 Northwest Coast, 7,402 Lobos and 4,321 Japanese, Cape Hope and Cape Horn. All sold readily at November prices and were bought chiefly for America, but also a good many for England and France.

British Columbia.

W. H. S. Perkins, dry goods, Nanaimo, style now Spencer & Perkins.

A. J. Smith, of Smith & Clark, planing mill and contractors, Victoria, has formed a partnership with R. McIntosh, under the style of Smith & McIntosh.

The annual report of the Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion for the year 1888, just issued, shows that British Columbia received

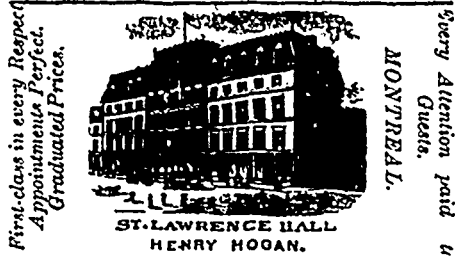
11,000 immigrants, distributed as follows: Vancouver City, 7,000; New Westminster City and district, 1,000; Yale and Kootenay district, 1,000; Victoria City, 1,000; Nanaimo, Wellington and East Coast, 1,000.

Peter Birrell, salmon packer, has purchased from the estate of W. T. Coleman & Co., of San Francisco, the British Columbia Packing Co's cannery, situated on the Fraser river, near Westminster. The cannery was built by Birrell some years ago and operated by him for a time. The purchase includes all the boats, nets and plant of the establishment.

There seems to be little doubt of the truth of the report that the Northern Pacific Railway Company has secured control of the railway now in course of construction, destined to connect Westminster, and probably Vancouver, with Puget Sound points. The Vancouver World says: Thomas F. Oakes, vice-president and general manager of the Northern Pacific Railway, is in Tacoma. He will visit Seattle, Whatcom and New Westminster, before he returns to St. Paul, and possibly may extend his visit to Vancouver. All matters connected with the construction of the New Westminster Southern Railway and the Fraser River Ferry will be settled during this gentleman's visit to the coast.

Through the kindness of Langley & Co., wholesale druggists, Victoria, we have received a report of a movement to form a Pharmaceutical Association for British Columbia. A few weeks ago a meeting of the druggists of Victoria was held in the office of Langley & Co., to consider the advisability of forming a Pharmaceutical Association for this province. T. M. Henderson, who had outlined of an act, presented it for approval, and a committee composed of Messrs. Shotbolt, Moore, Blanchard and Henderson, was appointed to draft in detail. A copy was forwarded to each of the druggists in the province who have approved of its provisions. The bill, which has been placed in the hands of T. Davie, to bring before the House, provides that all engaging in the business of chemist and druggist in this province shall be properly qualified persons to be known as the British Columbia Pharmaceutical Association. The affairs of the association shall be conducted by a council composed of six licentiates of pharmacy resident in the province, who shall appoint annually a board of examiners. The examining board shall meet biennially. The annual general meeting of the association shall be held alternately in Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and Nanaimo on the second Thursday in the month of June. Every person engaged in the practice of pharmacy will be required to register under the Act. The leading clause of the Act provides that no person shall keep open shop for retailing, dispensing or compounding poisons (named in a schedule) unless registered under this act, under a penalty of a fine of \$20 and costs of prosecution for the first offence, and \$50 and costs for the second offence, which shall be recovered in a summary manner before two justices of the peace or a police magistrate. Nothing in the act shall prevent any person from selling goods of any kind to any person legally authorized to carry on the business of an apothecary or interfere with wholesale dealers in the sale of poisons.

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W. H. Cross, crockery, Toronto, has sold
out.

R. J. Graham, builder, Carwright, has sold
out.

W. J. Dalton, flour, etc., Toronto, has sold
out.

S. E. Quinlan, hotelkeeper, Trenton, has sold
out.

R. M. Racey, hardware, Clinton, has as-
signed.

Geo. Braxer, blacksmith, Dublin, has as-
signed.

Peter T. Smith, baker, Kemptville, has as-
signed.

J. Hillison, second hand goods, Toronto, has
assigned.

W. J. Robinson, dry goods, Paris, has
assigned.

John P. Hayden, merchant, Prescott, has
assigned.

Thos. Brady, dry goods, Brockville, has as-
signed.

John Carroll, contractor, St. Catharines, has
assigned.

White & Co., dry goods, St. Marys, have
dissolved. Business carried on by J. White
under old style.

Samuel Perrin, hotel-keeper, Chatham, has sold out.

Walter Grobb, blacksmith, Dunnville, is selling out.

E. A. Newton, publisher, Alliston, was burned out.

Chas. K. Stewart, grist mill, Milton, was burned out.

Bonj. McNichol, grocer, Orangeville, was burned out.

Schleihauf Bros., saw mill, Wallacetown, burned out.

John F. Otwell fruit canner, etc., St. Marys, has assigned.

Robt. P. Leask, gents' furnishings, Hamilton, has assigned.

T. H. Broad, general storekeeper, Aurora, has assigned.

Francis Wilson cheese manufacturer, Strathroy, is dead.

Brwnell & Shaver, dry goods, Cornwall, have assigned.

J. B. Hughes, tinware, St. Thomas, has gone out of business.

Sheffield Bros., general storekeepers, Berlin, have dissolved.

Fobt. Mann, grocer, Orangeville, stock damaged by fire.

Win. Eustis, hotelkeeper, Dutton, was partially burned out.

A. C. McKenzie, general storekeeper, Kirkfield, has assigned.

Chas. Leggat wagons, Rainham Centre, removed to Winnipeg.

J. P. Wells, general storekeeper, Dunvegan, is about leaving there.

Somerville & McNab, general storekeepers, Carleton, have assigned.

M. H. McGarvin, auctioneer, Chatham, has sold out to C. P. Pilkey.

David H. McMahon, general storekeeper, Crookstown, has assigned.

W. F. Schooley, general storekeeper, Alymer, style now Schooley & Lyon.

Clark, Maitland & Co., general storekeepers, Smith's Falls, have assigned.

Husband & Co., general storekeepers, Toronto, stock advertised for sale.

McPhail, Hewat & Co., wholesale furs, Toronto, succeeded by Stirling, Macredie & Co.

Groff & Hymmen, dry goods and millinery, Berlin, style now Groff, Sheffield & Hymmen.

B. Greening & Co., wireworkers, Hamilton, incorporated as the B. Greening Wire Co., Limited.

Brydges & Trato, painters, Chatham, have dissolved. Business continued by E. P. Bridges.

QUEBEC.

M. Markus, fancy goods, Montreal, has assigned.

Robitaille & Fils, shoes, Montreal, have dissolved.

Joachim Laberge, trader, Chateauguay, has assigned.

F. L. Dery, general storekeeper, St. Hilairo, has assigned.

J. L. Brown, general storekeeper, Inverness, has assigned.

A. J. Fortin & Co., dry goods, Three Rivers, have assigned.

Frere Frenette, safe manufacturer, Montreal, has dissolved.

R. T. McArthur, general storekeeper, Brownsburg, has assigned.

Beauchamp, Pigeon & Co., wholesale grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Ulric Lovesque, general storekeeper, St. Sophie, offering to co-promise.

Charbonneau & Vermette, saw mill, etc., Coteau St. Louis, have dissolved.

W. G. Brown & Co., rubber goods, Montreal. W. Godbee Brown registers as the only member.

NOVA SCOTIA.

J. A. Robicheau, Metoghan, has assigned, J. M. LeBlanc, dry goods, Arichat, has assigned.

C. C. Hart, general storekeeper, Sheet Harbor, has assigned.

H. W. Lydiard, general storekeeper, Kentville, has assigned.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Bardley Bros., hats and caps, St. John, business closed.

P. E. ISLAND.

McEachern & Co., general storekeepers, Souris, have assigned.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

J. Edens, grocer, St. Johns, is dead.

Arye & Sons, general storekeepers, St. Johns, have dissolved.

The Macleod Board of Trade.

This association of business men and merchants of Macleod, and ranchmen of the surrounding districts, was organized last fall, with the following officers:—President, D. W. Davis, M. P.; vice-president, J. B. Smith; secretary-treasurer, D. J. Campbell. Executive committee—J. Hollies, J. Cowdry, T. H. Stedman, C. E. D. Wood, H. Taylor, A. F. Grady and Dr. Kennedy.

The objects of the board of trade may briefly be described as the advancement of the interests of the whole district by all legitimate means, and not the least important of these objects is the settlement of the fertile vacant lands of the district. It numbers among its members nearly every business man in Macleod, and a large number of the most prosperous and influential settlers in the district.

Among other things, the board of trade during its brief history, has accomplished the following:

A bridge will in all probability be built across the river here before high water, or at any rate before next fall; and one will also be put in at Kipp in the near future. Through its representations a surveyor was sent, and surveys made at both places.

Samples of grain have been placed in the C. P. R. exhibition car, and in the permanent C. P. R. exhibition at Toronto.

A move has been made toward the securing of railway communication, and a joint application from Calgary and Macleod is now before the House of Commons, for a charter from the former place to Great Falls in Montana via Macleod, traversing one of the richest countries in North America.

Through its representations, it is probable that new mail routes will be opened up and old ones improved.

Last, but not least, is this issue of the *Gazette*, which will be very widely circulated, and it is expected to do an immense amount of good in removing false ideas about the country, and inducing a fair proportion of intending settlers to locate here.—*Macleod Gazette*.

British Columbia.

Following were the customs collections at Victoria for the month of February:—Duties, \$36,093.13; Miscellaneous, \$263.46; Chinese Immigration Act, \$65.50. Total—\$36,427.09.

M. S. Davys has opened a laboratory and assay office at Nanaimo.

A consignment of Montreal eggs sold by auction at Victoria last week, at seven cents a dozen.

J. C. Holden, of Ames, Holden & Co., Montreal, has been on a visit to the coast, and left for home via California.

"The Vancouver Fisheries Company, Limited," applies in the *B. C. Gazette* for incorporation. The capital stock is \$100,000, of 1,000 shares of \$100 each. Headquarters of the company is Vancouver.

W. D. Port & Co., fish dealers, Westminster, have brought their supply of ice for next season all the way from Donald. The winter has been so mild on the coast that ice has been a scarce commodity.

Westminster *Columbian*: A prominent architect says that fully 80 building are at present in course of erection or under contract to be commenced within the month. Present appearances indicate that fully \$500,000 worth of new buildings will be erected in Westminster this year.

The *Budget and Town Mayors Journal* is the name of a new weekly paper which has been started at Victoria. The *Town Mayor* was lately connected with the *Victoria Times*. The salutatory says *The Budget* will be devoted to social, commercial, manufacturing and industrial interests of the city of Victoria and the province at large.

British Columbia swells its exchequer by a provincial revenue tax of \$3 per capita, commonly called "poll-tax." The tax is collectable from all persons 18 years of age resident in the province. Employers of labor are required under a penalty to supply the assessor and collector with a list of their employees, and may deduct the \$3 from the salaries of such employees.

The prospectus of the British Columbia Tanning Co. (limited), of Nanaimo, has been issued. The capital stock of the company is \$50,000 in \$50 each. The object of the company is to carry on the business of manufacturing all kinds of leather, belting, trunks, and the manufacturing of all kinds of leather goods, etc. The provisional directors are E. Quennell, J. W. Stirton, T. D. Jones, A. Haslam, T. Glaholm, R. Craig and James Abrams.

Victoria Times: It is understood that two new canneries are about to be erected on the Fraser river, one on the North Arm on a small island near the mouth, and another on the South Arm at Steve's. The former will be erected by the Bon Accord Company, the latter by Hobson & Co., a Montreal firm. Some think that the business is going to be overdone and in considering the fate of Columbia and Sacramento rivers it does not appear to be the best thing in the world that new canneries should go upon the Fraser.

Personal.

Mr. A. W. MacKenzie, representing the McAlpine Tobacco Company of Toronto, and New York, arrived in Winnipeg last Monday, and will spend some time in the city, looking after the company's interests here, which have extended very rapidly within the past year or so.

Westminster Columbian: The heavy rain of Tuesday night, and the breaking up of the winter in Kamloops district, caused heavy floods and several washouts on the Thompson section, delaying No. 1 and 2 which were held over night at North Bend and Kamloops. This is the first serious delay this winter on the Pacific division, and it is expected it will be the only one. The snow slides are about all down in the mountains and owing to the snow sheds and other improvements, they have caused no delay to trains to speak of.

The "Myrtle Navy" tobacco is not burdened with the usual costs which swell the price of most articles to the consumer; the firm employs no travellers whatever, their orders come to them instead of being sought by them. The merchant does not require to keep a large stock on hand swelling its price with interest, for the factory is an immediate source of supply to him, at the cost of a postal card or at most a telegram. He loses nothing, therefore, from being overstocked. The article is a staple one, for which there is as constant a demand as for wheat or flour, and the merchant can therefore sell it at a minimum rate of profit.

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6 15 p.m.	Winnipeg	9 70 a.m.	
6 05 "	Portage Junction	9 20 "	
6 48 "	St. Norbert	9 40 "	
6 27 "	St. Agathe	10 20 "	
4 42 "	Silver Plains	10 47 "	
4 20 "	Morris	11 10 "	
4 01 "	St. Jean	11 23 "	
3 43 "	Catharine	11 35 a.m.	
3 23 "	West Lorne	12 20 p.m.	
3 03 p.m.	Perth	12 35 "	
6 25 a.m.	Winnipeg Junction	8 50 "	
8 35 p.m.	Minneapolis	6 35 a.m.	
8 00 "	St. Paul	7 05 "	
6 40 "	Helena	4 00 p.m.	
3 40 "	Garrison	6 15 "	
1 05 a.m.	Spokane	9 45 a.m.	
9 00 p.m.	Portland	6 30 "	
7 40 "	Tacoma	3 50 "	
4 30 "	via Cascade	6 40 "	

P	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
2 30	8:00	St. Paul	A.M.	7:30	P.M.
10 30	7 00	Chicago	A.M.	9:00	P.M.
6 45	10 15	Detroit	P.M.	10:45	A.M.
9 10	9:05	Toronto	A.M.	9:10	P.M.
7 00	7 50	New York	A.M.	8:00	P.M.
8 30	3:00	Boston	A.M.	10:50	P.M.
9 00	8:30	Montreal	P.M.	8:15	A.M.

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Read Down.	STATIONS.	Read Up.
GOING EAST. No. 1 Daily.		GOING WEST. No. 2 Daily.
14 00 De	Lethbridge	Ar 1 20
15 55	Woodpecker	23 25
16 50	Purple Springs	22 40
17 46 Ar	Grassy Lake	21 45
18 00 De	Cherry Coulee	20 55
18 50	Winnifred	De 20 00
20 00	Seven Persons	Ar 19 55
20 55	Dunn Ore	De 18 45
22 10 Ar		De 17 30

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Taking Effect November 24th, 1888.

PASS Tuesday Thursday and Saturday	Miles from Portage	STATIONS.	PASS Monday Wednesday and Friday
LEAVE			ARRIVE
10 00	35	Portage la Prairie	13 20
17 45	61	Gladstone	12 05
18 45	81	Nepawa	10 38
19 45	79	Minnedosa	9 55
20 50	94	Rapid City	8 30
21 30	115	Snoal Lake	8 00
22 30	138	Hirtz	7 00
23 30	155	Bismarck	5 55
24 10	160	Bess II	5 15
24 40	180	Lanenburg	7 15
1 45	206	Salcoats	3 40
ARRIVE			LEAVE

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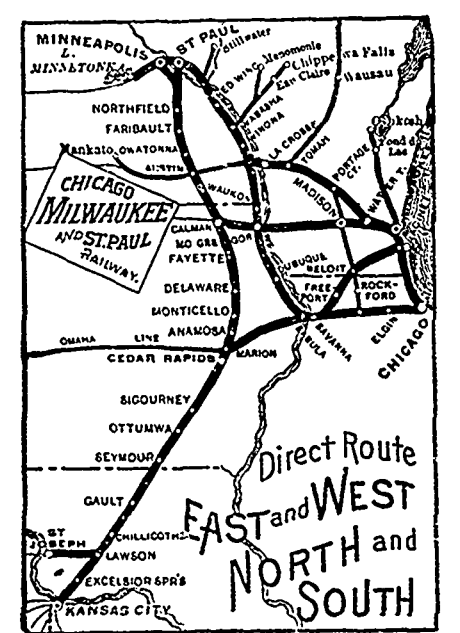
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