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## FARM INSTRUCTORS.

It is reported from Ottawa that the Dominion government will appoint instructors to work in the new manse British colony, which is about to be established in the Territories. This is a move in the right direction. The Commercial recently pointed out the need there would be to secure competent farm instructors for this large settlement of British people, many of whom will be entirely inexperienced in farm work, and practically all of whom will be inexperienced, so far as the knowledge of farming in Western Canada is concerned. It was suggested that the managers of the colony should obtain experienced teachers, who could visit among the new settlers and give such instructions as would be most needed. The fact that the government has undertaken to furnish some instructors, will give satisfaction. All good citizens will not regret the small expenditure in this connection. The success of this British colony is greatly to be desired, and Canadians will certainly do all they can to help these new settlers to succeed. There will undoubtedly be many very inexperienced persons in this colony. Probably many who have had little experience in hard work of the kind which will be required.

They will have much to contend with, and many hardships to put up with, before they can become comfortably settled in their new home. Anything we can do to help them we should cheerfully and gladly do.

## THE BONUS NUISANCE.

The stupid policy of granting bonuses to industries is still flourishing in Ontario. Bonuses are constantly being granted to all sorts of concerns. Every now and again some old established industry pulls up stakes and moves to some other place, in order to secure a bonus. It may be taken for granted that any established industry which will move in this way, is not prospering, or there are other good reasons for moving. The policy of offering bonuses enables industrial corporations to "hold up" the towns where they are located, by threatening to move to some other place where a bonus is offered. This is a kind of rivalry which should be put a stop to at once. It is remarkable that in a profoundly intelligent and civilized community, this custom should be continued. If the people

did not the good sense, to stop it, the legislature should step in and effectually prevent the granting of bonuses. At the recent annual meeting of the Ontario Furniture Manufacturers, it was stated that the custom of granting municipal bonuses had made competition much keener. Established manufacturers of good repute should bring influence to bear upon the legislature to make bonusing illegal. This is a matter which the Manufacturers' Association might take up, with a view to having the custom suppressed by law.

## WATER POWER FOR WINNIPEG.

One of the evidences of the prosperity of Manitoba is the flotation of various new companies in different lines of business—financial, industrial and commercial. Among these new companies are corporations formed for the purpose of developing water powers in the Winnipeg district. Three different proposals have recently been made to the Winnipeg city council, from companies which are anxious to supply the city with power. We have first the Great Falls Power and Light Company, which proposes to develop

matter. It is estimated that the price offered by the Great Falls Company would reduce the cost of electric lighting in the city by about one-third. It is presumed that power would be supplied to private citizens at a proportionate reduction on the present cost.

The cost of steam power in Winnipeg varies greatly. It has been variously estimated to range from about \$60 or \$70 up to \$350 per horse-power per year. Steam power in Winnipeg is certainly costly at the present high price of fuel. The development of one or more of the several great water powers on the Winnipeg river and the transmission of that power to the city should be well within the range of feasible enterprises. The great cheapening of power which would follow would materially assist in building up industries here. One of the great obstacles in the way of the establishment of industries here at present is the high cost of power. The city government, however, should approach this question very carefully. Full time for consideration should be given before any agreement is made with any one of the companies. As for the giving of a monopoly to any company, we feel

to drop. Now that the matter of water power has come up again it will be interesting to recall some of the statements made in connection with the proposed Assiniboine river water power.

J. T. Fanning, C. E., in his report to the city council, estimated the cost of constructing dam, canal, etc., necessary to utilize the Assiniboine river power at \$239,000. This cost would be for a capacity of 10,000 gross horse-power. The rental of only 2,500 horse-power at \$10 per horse power per annum, would return an interest of 5 per cent on the cost of this proposed work. It is indeed surprising, in view of Engineer Fanning's report, that the Assiniboine water power has been lost sight of. If, as he estimated, the rental of only 2,500 horse-power per annum would pay 5 per cent interest on the cost of the work, it is almost remarkable that this matter has been lost sight of all this time. With power costing in Winnipeg on an average probably fully \$100 per horse-power per annum on existing steam plants, this valuable water power has been left to rust to waste all these years.

Now that the water power question



MANITOBA FARM HOMES—RESIDENCE OF S. SCOTT, STONEWALL.

a water power on the Winnipeg river; then there is the Lac Du Bonnet Mining and Development Company, and thirdly the company which controls the water power at Keewatin.

The first named company offers to supply the city corporation with 2,000 horse power of electrical energy at a rate of \$50 per horse power per annum, the company to receive in return a franchise for a period of 50 years, to erect poles, wires, etc., on or over public streets, etc. The company agrees to develop 50,000 horse power and bring it into the city as soon as it is required here.

The Lac Du Bonnet Company offers to furnish the city corporation 2,000 horse-power at \$40 per horse-power per year, providing the company is given the franchise to supply private parties in the city with power and light for a period of thirty years, giving the company a monopoly of the right to erect poles, wires, etc., upon or over public streets, etc.

The offer of the Keewatin Power Company has not yet been made public, but it is said that it is a liberal one.

Cheap power is, of course, a very important matter to any city, and particularly to Winnipeg, where the present cost of power, on account of the high price of fuel, is a serious

satisfied that the council will not consider any such proposal for a moment.

The question has been asked: Why should not the city own its own plant? Why should not the city secure and develop a power for civic purposes, supplying any residue of power developed to private citizens? This is a matter which might receive serious consideration. The corporation of Toronto has had an enterprise of this kind under consideration for some time, and has even endeavored to secure legislation from the provincial legislature to enable the city to undertake such an enterprise.

The present situation regarding the development of water powers on the Winnipeg river recalls the proposals under consideration ten or twelve years ago for the development of a water power on the Assiniboine river right at Winnipeg. At that time a great deal of interest was taken in the Assiniboine water power proposals, and it was proved quite conclusively on paper that quite an extensive power could be developed on the Assiniboine river at Winnipeg, at a cost which would permit of supplying the power at comparatively low prices. Competent engineers were secured, a survey of the proposed work was made, and estimates made thereon were published. The work, however, was allowed

has come up again, it might be well to re-consider the Assiniboine river power, especially in view of the proposal that the city should develop a water power. It is stated that it will cost \$2,500,000 to develop 10,000 horse-power at the property of the Great Falls Company, on Winnipeg river. There will be a loan, it is said, of 20 per cent, in conveying this power to the city. The Assiniboine water power, right at Winnipeg, according to the reports of City Engineer Rutman and Engineer Fanning, should be a better proposition than the Winnipeg river power.

## THE RAILWAY COMMISSION.

The much-talked-of railway commission bill has been introduced in parliament at Ottawa. It is proposed by this bill to abolish the custom of bringing matters pertaining to the railways before the railway committee of the privy council, and substitute therefore a railway commission. The commission will exercise control over the question of rates, equipment, crossings, etc. The commission is apparently to be given large powers, and will practically constitute a court of record. The bill does not name the number of members. That has been left blank for the present, but it will be either three or five. The term of

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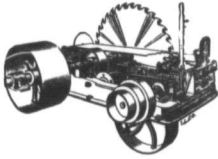
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F. Mariaggi, proprietor of the Alexandra restaurant, Winnipeg, has leased the whole of the building in which his business is located—known as the Alexandra block—and will convert it into a hotel.

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There is an active demand for Canadian dress goods. The scarcity of goods continues to perplex jobbers who could sell more if they saw the means of ensuring delivery in time for the coming season. The New York Economist says that the stuff being sold for delivery later will not show any radical change in style, but that it will be more extended along the same line. Zibelines have been very good for this season and they will be very strong for fall. Goods now shown will, perhaps, in some lines, have a more woolly effect for the fall and the newest things now displayed are considered a very good forecast of fall styles. Winter effects will be popular. Checks will be strong, but they will not be strong as checks, but rather as checks, or rather as disapparing, or made subordinate to some striking grounds, and stripes will be strong but in the same way as checks, stripes and checks not being the conspicuous features of the goods.—Toronto Globe.

**Dry Goods Trade Notes.**

Cheviots ranging in price from 50c to \$1 are in increased demand for fall and are considered good property. A good demand is reported from New York for English mohairs with small dots in the better grades.

Both plaid and striped effects in woolen material will be fashionable this spring. The smartest of the new tailor goods are made of fabrics of which the stripe or plaid is of the same color so that the pattern itself makes the figure.

The strong color so far for the present is the blue which is displaying a stronger hold on the trade than in any previous season. The colors and the styles of some of the most popular goods now selling for the spring, especially in Canadian dress goods, are being put in for the fall. The goods, it is claimed, will be equally salable for spring or fall.

Large lace collars are still modish, and the latest collars not only cover the shoulders but a piece runs paneled down the front to the waist line. The very wide collars are not appropriate for costumes, but they are very effective on wraps of all kinds. Motifs in lace seem to be growing smaller. The flit lace so fashionable is very fine, which indicate that heavy lace will be entirely supplanted by the finer variety.

The western representatives of Premier watersports clothing states that they had good success in the canvases for business this season. Merchants were much pleased with the goods. Their quality is such that the best class of trade demand them, even when they are compared with goods from other lines. The makers

of Premier goods guarantee the quality. The western headquarters for these goods is at 216 Portage avenue where a well selected stock of goods is carried.

For the coming season white and cream cloth of all kinds, serges, mohairs, broadcloth, homespuns in plain and fancy goods will be popular. Mercurized cotton goods, such as Bedford cords will be good sellers. Dress linings, in plain and stripes, should be good for the coming season and blouse goods silkline, in white, creamy goods in stripes as well as plain, are selling well. Silver greys, green greys and blue greys in all light shades in homespuns are expected to sell well.

**Dairy Trade Notes.**

Canadian cheese advanced last week in England three shillings a cwt. choicest quality white and colored selling at 70s. New Zealand 68s. It is years since similar prices were obtainable for Canadian cheese.

**Live Stock Trade Notes.**

A petition is being prepared for circulation in Great Britain urging the government to remove the embargo against Canadian stocker cattle.

Reports from Wyoming state that the past winter has been the severest since 1890. It is estimated that throughout Southern and Central Wyoming stockmen who fed their cattle lost from 4 to 6 per cent, and those who did not feed lost from 20 to 30 per cent of their herds. Cattle and sheep were terribly weakened by preceding storms and perished in large numbers.

**Hardware Trade Notes.**

The price of shot at factories has increased. Morrill saw sets, Nos. 1 and 3, are 10 per cent cheaper.

Factories report the sale of lawn mowers exceptionally heavy.

Wooden tubs and pails have advanced 10 per cent in the east. Stone pipe wire has been reduced at Montreal to meet United States competition.

Hat and coat hooks have been the subject of an advance at factories, also sad irons.

New prices are now being prepared for poultry netting, and an advance may be looked for.

Ordinary auger bits are higher by about 7 per cent in the United States and 10 per cent in Canada. Japanned goods, such as latches and door handles, are stronger and are quoted at an advance of 10 per cent.

Hollow ware is very scarce and has been for some time. The price is slightly higher, the discount now being 40 per cent.

**Implement Trade Notes.**

The Cockshutt Plow Co. has promised a cash contribution towards the price list of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition.

Implement dealers in Western Canada are looking forward to a heavy demand for goods next season when the new settlers now moving into the country get settled down to business.

Wagon stocks and nearly all dealers are over-sold. The demand has been exceptionally heavy. Dealers are being urged to catch up with their orders before the necessity for wagons becomes imperative.

Spring shipping is now well advanced at Winnipeg implement houses. The season has been the most active ever experienced in Canada, so it is to be expected that a much larger quantity of goods could be sold were they available. Factories did very well on the whole in filling their specifications.

**Labor Notes.**

The wages of building laborers at Montreal will be increased to \$2 per day this season.

Chas. Williams, a striking sailor, of Vancouver was fined \$50 for picketing on C. P. R. trains.

Bert Calhoun and Ernest Clegg, employees of W. L. Johnston & Co., wholesale clothiers, were fined \$75 each last week by the police magistrate for intimidating non-union men.



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The recent reduction in the postal rate on newspapers from Canada to England has been the occasion of some misapprehension, which is now corrected by the postmaster general, who states in a circular that the reduction only works one way, and does not apply to newspapers posted in England for Canada.







# Cheap Oranges

Some dealers want cheap Navel Oranges, we have them at \$3.00 per box. We don't advise the purchase of them, but we guarantee them equal to any offered at that price. We quote our Sunflower Navel at \$3.75, Margarett at \$3.50. 10c less on 5 box lots.

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To your orders for Rubber Footwear for fall, our Travellers are now on the road showing THE MAPLE LEAF Brand Rubbers—something new in shapes, something new in designs.

They are recognized as the highest grade (being exclusive manufacturers) of Rubber Footwear. Prices and discounts—the lowest.

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Winnipeg.

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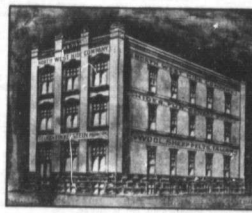
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in season, before they require salting.

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we pay the highest market price.

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MANITOBA.

D. Irwin, general merchant, Engin...
A. photograph gallery has been open...
Mr. Tomfield, Man. by Mr. Towns...

The Prairie Lumber Co. is opening...
yard at Nesbitt, with J. W. Clark as...

C. McLean has sold his stock of...
hardware, etc., at Holland, to J. J...

Why has disposed of his hardware...
business at Holland to Mr. Sheran...

H. E. Waley, importing dealer...
in hardware, is adding trade...

The Liberal has absorbed the...
rights at Portage la Prairie and the...

Robert Lindsay has disposed of his...
bookbindery and business at...

R. W. Sager, general merchant...
MacGraw, has made an assignment...

D. W. Ferguson has sold his harness...
business at Hartney to J. J. Shephard...

Harvesting Co. has...
been established a branch at...

Letters patent have been issued to...
the Land Company of Winni...

Banky & Burgess, butchers, Boise...
have decided to incorporate...

The Winnipeg Pure Milk Company...
is applying for leave to enlarge its...

Nichol & McDonald, manufacturers...
of harness, Winnipeg, have dissolved...

Letters patent have been issued to...
the Glenwood Trench Company...

The Winnipeg Paint & Glass Co...
is a new corporation...

Bill another Winnipeg river power...
company scheme has been laid before...

A. C. Blackwood, general...
merchant, Estera, has been assigned...

The Canada Wood and Coal Com...
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not obtain possession for some time...

In Brandon the season now open...
ing promises to be the busiest ever...
performed. The Baptist church and...

On Wednesday evening the special...
committee appointed by the city...
and council to look into the charges...

The plans for a large warehouse...
for the Boile Drug Co. on Princess...
have just been completed. The build...

The annual meeting of the Melita...
Board of Trade was held on the 16th...
of last month. Blackwell, president...

ALBERTA.

J. H. West and W. J. Sickettwell...
will shortly open a new store at...

G. W. Robinson & Co., stationers...
Lethbridge, have sold out to Robert...

J. W. Rickers has sold his grocery...
business at Pincher Creek, Alberta, to...

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SASKATCHEWAN.

The department of Indian affairs...
advertised for sale Indian reserve No...
100, near Prince Albert on the 25th...

ASSINIBOIA.

Geo. Cooper is opening in imple...
ments at Arcola...

Mr. Cook formerly of the C. P. R...
dining car service, is opening a co...

J. W. Bertin, confectioner, Medicine...
Hat, has made an arrangement for the...

Henry Noble, formerly of Winnipeg...
is opening a printing office and start...

Lockerie & Halliday, Pierson, are...
adding implements to their existing...

Geo. Thompson has opened in busi...
ness at Indian Head handling imple...

Carroll & Johnston are opening an...
implement business at McLean. They...

Frank R. Shortreed is opening up...
at the new town of Tantallon, in the...

E. J. Brooks, general merchant, In...
dian Head, has admitted his son,...

A new town is being started on the...
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Canada's Greatest Seed House.



We quote this week's jobbing...
price ex-warehouse, Winnipeg, as...
orders executed at lowest possible...

GRASSES.

Table listing various grasses and their prices, including Western Rye Grass, Canadian blue grass, Timothy, etc.

CLOVERS.

Table listing various clovers and their prices, including Red Fencer, Lucerne or Alfalfa, etc.

SEED CORN.

Table listing various seed corn and their prices, including North Dakota White Flint, Longfellow, etc.

FODDER CORN.

Table listing various fodder corn and their prices, including Giant Proctor, Red Cob, etc.

SEED GRAIN.

Table listing various seed grain and their prices, including Barley, Flax seed, etc.

BEANS.

Table listing various beans and their prices, including Choice White, California, etc.

RAPE (for Sowing).

Table listing various rape and their prices, including Broad Leaf, English, etc.

ONIONS (for Planting).

Table listing various onions and their prices, including Yellow Dutch Sets, Red Dutch, etc.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Table listing various miscellaneous items and their prices, including Linnseed Meal, Oil Cake, etc.

"PLANET JR." HAND TOOLS.

Table listing various hand tools and their prices, including No. 1-Comb'd Drill, No. 2-Drill, etc.

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

We carry the largest and best...
stock in Canada of all kinds of...

The Steele, Briggs Seed Co., Limited.

Toronto, Ont. Winnipeg, Man.



EGGS—Eggs are now down to 14c per dozen, commission basis. Sales are reported low at 13 to 13 1/2c. They are coming in fairly freely. Some in the trade expect to see a rise this year, as they say the dealers in Ontario were bitten badly on their last year's trade and are being read to pay the eggs right this season. Eggs are now on a 12 1/2c basis at Montreal and Ontario eggs are being offered in Winnipeg this week at 14c per dozen.

DRESSED MEATS—We quote: best beef, 4 1/2c to 7 1/2c per pound; country stock, 5 1/2c under those figures; mutton, 8 to 10c; lamb, 11 1/2c; hogs, 7 to 7 1/2c.

HIDES—The market is weaker and hides are hard to dispose of. In both eastern and southern centres quotations are hard to obtain, buyers being very indifferent. Local dealers are accumulating stocks and waiting for a chance to sell. Some December hides are still in store here. Frozen hides will bring less money today than a week ago by 1/4 to 1/2c per pound. We quote: From hides, 5 to 5 1/2c per lb., less 5 lbs. tare; city butchers, 6 1/2c per lb. for No. 1s; Sheepskins, 30 to 50c each.

TALLOW—No. 1 tallow is worth 12 1/2c per pound delivered here, and No. 2, 4 1/2c.

SENECA ROOT—Market nominal.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Receipts are light and prices are not likely to be changed in the market. There is still considerable cold storage beef on hand and the market is being supplied with this. We quote: Best steers, 4 1/2c; butchers' ordinary, 3 1/2 to 4c. Stockers, yearlings, 3 1/2; two-year-old, \$22 each.

SHEEP—Market nominal.

HOGS—Packers are paying 6c per pound on best weight, ranging from 150 to 250 pounds and for heavy and light weights 1/2c less. Receipts are fair.

MILCH COWS—There is a good demand for cows at prices ranging from \$100 to \$145 each.

HORSES—Farmers are buying freely. Prices are high, good teams being sold all the way from \$300 to \$450, according to weight and quality. Drivers are also in good demand at high prices.

The Weather.

The weather has been quite cold this week for the season, and colder than many days of the month. Country roads are still in fairly good condition, which is an advantage to the farmers, as it enables them to get their hauling done. An early break-up of the roads is not desirable. It is just as well to have the roads to be main solid until it is time to start seeding on the farms.

Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this date last year: Wheat—No. 1 hard winter closed at 72 1/2c in store Fort William. No. 1 best, best bakers', \$1.06. No. 2, 95c. No. 3, 85c. No. 4, 75c. No. 5, 65c. No. 6, 55c. No. 7, 45c. No. 8, 35c. No. 9, 25c. No. 10, 15c. No. 11, 5c. No. 12, 0c. No. 13, 0c. No. 14, 0c. No. 15, 0c. No. 16, 0c. No. 17, 0c. No. 18, 0c. No. 19, 0c. No. 20, 0c. No. 21, 0c. No. 22, 0c. No. 23, 0c. No. 24, 0c. No. 25, 0c. No. 26, 0c. No. 27, 0c. No. 28, 0c. No. 29, 0c. No. 30, 0c. No. 31, 0c. No. 32, 0c. No. 33, 0c. No. 34, 0c. No. 35, 0c. No. 36, 0c. No. 37, 0c. No. 38, 0c. No. 39, 0c. No. 40, 0c. No. 41, 0c. No. 42, 0c. No. 43, 0c. No. 44, 0c. No. 45, 0c. No. 46, 0c. No. 47, 0c. No. 48, 0c. No. 49, 0c. No. 50, 0c. No. 51, 0c. No. 52, 0c. No. 53, 0c. No. 54, 0c. No. 55, 0c. No. 56, 0c. No. 57, 0c. No. 58, 0c. No. 59, 0c. No. 60, 0c. No. 61, 0c. No. 62, 0c. No. 63, 0c. No. 64, 0c. No. 65, 0c. No. 66, 0c. No. 67, 0c. No. 68, 0c. No. 69, 0c. No. 70, 0c. No. 71, 0c. No. 72, 0c. No. 73, 0c. No. 74, 0c. No. 75, 0c. No. 76, 0c. No. 77, 0c. No. 78, 0c. No. 79, 0c. No. 80, 0c. No. 81, 0c. No. 82, 0c. No. 83, 0c. No. 84, 0c. No. 85, 0c. No. 86, 0c. No. 87, 0c. No. 88, 0c. No. 89, 0c. No. 90, 0c. No. 91, 0c. No. 92, 0c. No. 93, 0c. No. 94, 0c. No. 95, 0c. No. 96, 0c. No. 97, 0c. No. 98, 0c. No. 99, 0c. No. 100, 0c.

British Columbia OFFICE OF THE COMMERCIAL

Vancouver Business Review.

Vancouver, March 23. Wholesalers report that in spite of the strike freight rates for flour will not and no serious inconvenience is being felt just at present from this source. Much trade, however, has been lost to Vancouver, that can never be regained. This applies particularly to the Klondike and Yukon trade, which has been lost to Vancouver. It so happened that the strike had barely taken place when shippers began to run goods to points on the Yukon river over the ice, that they might be shipped more readily to their destination at the opening of navigation. The depression getting abroad that the C. P. R. fleet was tied up on these shippers sent their goods via Seattle and the trade was lost to this city.

The wholesale market itself is almost featureless, as the trade department it is noticed that there is a big supply of September creamery on hand. This, however, has been made to keep and was manufactured in September. It has, however, been kept sweet and full flavor in cold storage. It is claimed by those now putting it on the market that it has a better taste than a local production. This, however, is a matter of opinion. There is very little Manitoba creamery on the market as it is the wrong season for the product. What is of inferior quality and is being put on the market at a low price. The local supply of creamery butter is still far short of the demand. There is a good supply of local and California eggs on the market, but the price for 21c and 22c. Cured meats are strong, but the quotation remains unchanged. The price has advanced in the eastern United States, but dealers have not been able to advance it in British Columbia. It is strong and advancing. Potatoes are weak, local potatoes being offered at \$3 to \$10.

Prices at Vancouver.

Special to the Commercial. Vancouver, March 23. FEED—National Mills chop, 87 per ton; bran, 23; shorts, 25; oil cake meal, 28 per ton. Flour, Vancouver, including duty paid on imported stuff. WHEAT—Manitoba 29 per ton, United States 22. OATS—25 to 28 per ton. FLOUR—Manitoba patent, per barrel, 14.8c; strove bakers', 15.0c; Embury patent, 14.7c; O. K., 14.7c. HAY—Fraser River Valley, new 12; straw per bale, 60c. MEAL—Rolled oats, 90lb sack, \$3.00; 4 lb. 10c sacks, \$3.40; 25 1/2 lb sacks, \$3.30; on the sacks, \$2.50; oatmeal in 10b sacks per 100lb \$2.50; in 60lb sacks, \$2.35 per 100lb. LIVE STOCK—Steers, 25 to 26 per 100lb.; sheep, 25 to 26 per 100lb.; hogs, 25 to 26 per 100lb. POULTRY—Turkeys, 15c; geese, 16c; fowl, 12c; chickens, 15c. DRESSED MEATS—Beef, 9c; mutton, 11c; Calgary frozen mutton, 9 1/2c; pork, 8c; veal, 10c. CURED MEATS—Hams, 15c; bacon, 16c; long clear, 12 1/2c. EGGS—Fresh local, 15c. BUTTER—Local, 15c. MANITOBA creamery, 22; Manitoba dairy, 18 1/2c. EGGS—Fresh local, 22c. CHEESE—Local, 15c. VEGETABLES—Potatoes, local, \$4.00 per ton. Asahrocks, \$4.00 per ton. FISH—Smoked, 15c; sea bass, 4c; white fish, 5c; sole, 5c; halibut, 6c; salmon, 7c; cod, 8c; crab, 9c; per dozen; smoked salmon, 16c; smoked halibut, 18c. GREEN FRUITS—Lemons, \$2.50 per 100; oranges, navel, \$2.00 per 100; seedling oranges, \$1.75 per 100; lemons, \$2.00 per 100; grapefruit, 4c; extra C. 4c; yellow, 4c. STRAW—Per gal. barrels, 2 1/2c; 10 gal. kegs, 2 1/2c; per 100 gal. 25c; 1 gal. tin, \$4.50 case of 10; 1/2 gal. tin, 25c case of 20. HARDWARE—Bar iron, base, \$3.00 Hops, already mentioned, 20 and 18 per cent; horse shoes, kept, 5c; nails, 10c; price, cut 2 1/2c; wire, 8c; rope, Manila, 12c; white line, 12c; 2 1/2c barbed wire, \$4.50 per 100 lb; glass, first break, 8c per 100 feet.

E. M. Kallmeyer will represent the Standard Clothing Manufacturing Co., of Montreal, in the West this season.

B. C. Business Notes. The value of permits for the month of March for new buildings in Vancouver will reach \$200,000. Stockham & Dowley's store and post office at Nootka, was destroyed by fire on the 19th inst., as a result of an overhauled stove. The loss was \$3,000, with no insurance.

A writ was issued recently in Nelson by the M. Lamb Lumber Company, of Minneapolis, claiming \$8,000 damages against the Revelstoke Lumber Co., for breach of agreement.

Leuz & Leiser, wholesale dry goods and clothing merchants at Victoria and Vancouver, are incorporating. M. Lenz, the leading member of the firm, is to retire from active management for the sake of his health and will be succeeded by Joseph York.

Stoves Not Higher. A rather belated report of an advance in stoves appeared in one of the city daily papers this week, the amount of the advance being stated as 5 per cent. The advance referred to occurred several weeks ago. There has not been any change in prices lately and local jobbers have no hint of one coming. Such a thing is not probable, in view of the extremely high cost of iron and steel, but in the meantime prices unchanged. Demand for stoves, ranges and kitchen utensils is good, and stocks on hand here are low in some lines.

Will Call at Cleveland. The Merchants Steamship line, which operates the three freight steamers, Arabian, Advance and Wacouah, between Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton and Port Arthur and Fort William, will call at Cleveland this year. A lot of freight for Western Canada, including iron, wire, oils, etc., is shipped from Cleveland. Much of this has heretofore gone to Duluth. By making Cleveland a port of call for the Canadian line, freight will be brought to Fort William or Port Arthur, instead of Duluth. The line

has been recognized by the regular lake and rail lines to the extent of securing a preference. The Yaconda is a new Glasgow-built boat.

May Abolish Grain Tax. London, March 23.—According to the Pall Mall Gazette, Chancellor of the Exchequer Ritchie is likely to abolish the grain tax in the forthcoming budget, besides making a reduction of three pence in the Income tax. This belief, however, is hardly borne out by the chancellor's recent statement to a deputation of grain dealers.

Late Western Business Items. A. G. Irwin is opening a boot and shoe store at Cartwright, Man.

J. Leaman has purchased the bakery business of M. Haer at Gladstone, Man.

A roller flour mill is to be erected in Morden, Man., this year by Mr. Peters, of Winkler.

W. C. Carter has sold his general store business at Minto, Man., to Mr. Flack, of Swan Lake.

Dingle & Stewart, commission agents, Winnipeg, have let the contract for the erection of a new warehouse on Stanley street for themselves.

A change has been made in the management of the lumber business of J. D. McArthur at Winnipeg. J. M. Chisholm has retired and Mr. McArthur assumes the management personally.

Insurance Notes. Owing to the frequency of railway wrecks in the east the business of accident insurance companies in the past few months has shown an increase of over thirty per cent.

At the meeting of the Ontario grand lodge A. O. U. W., held last week in Toronto, a new tariff of rate was accepted and it begins with 60 cents a month at 18 years of age and goes to \$1.20 at 45, instead of \$1.50, as recommended by the report of the special committee. The new scale begins July next.

Practica Capability Sheet Metal Buiding Materias The necessity you demand, and that we offer you in Sheet Metal Buiding Materias Honest, capable goods that give the acme or artistic effect, as well as enduring reliability—the lines that are called for by the most experienced builders all over the country. Come to us for every requirement in CEILING SHINGLES, SIDINGS, LATHING, or other building needs, and profit by the unstinted high quality of the lines, made by The Metallic Roofing Co., Ltd. of Toronto.

THOS. BLACK 131 BANNATYNE AVE. WINNIPEG

Reports from St. John say: "Lobsters are already obtainable here for the reason that Boston people are willing to pay almost any money to get them. A Dingle fisherman, recently shipped a crate to Boston containing 110 lobsters, and a check was received by him after all expenses had been paid, for \$54."



STATISTICAL WHEAT REPORT.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Montreal	40,000
Toronto	29,000
London	15,000
Port Arthur	25,000
Keewatin	5,525,000
Winnipeg	280,000
Manitoba elevators	12,300,000

Total March 14

Total previous week	19,828,000
Total a year ago	18,862,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS

Total stocks in the United States and Canada east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's March 21, 1914, 100 bushels, as against 72,886,000 bushels the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 80,441,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on March 7 were 2,650,000 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ending March 21, was 45,000 bushels, being a decrease of 1,011,000 bushels for the week over and the visible supply was 50,948,000 bushels; two years ago 57,140,000 bushels; three years ago 54,083,000 bushels; four years ago 30,957,000 bushels; five years ago 30,957,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 7,182,000 bushels, compared with 8,270,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 10,687,000 bushels, compared with 10,687,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

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

1906	Bushels.
1906	140,000,000
1907	142,000,000
1908	142,000,000
1909	139,000,000
1910	134,000,000
1911	118,000,000
1912	127,000,000
1913	175,000,000

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1913, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

This Crop.			Last Crop.		
Minneapolis	72,840	91,828,875	72,840	91,828,875	
Chicago	7,186,974	8,861,480	7,186,974	8,861,480	
Duluth	21,215,880	20,485,741	21,215,880	20,485,741	
Milwaukee	31,088,510	34,188,118	31,088,510	34,188,118	
Total	142,807,794	153,811,213	142,807,794	153,811,213	

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1913, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

This Crop.			Last Crop.		
Toledo	11,397,312	6,190,328	11,397,312	6,190,328	
St. Louis	10,215,230	10,886,854	10,215,230	10,886,854	
Detroit	3,349,987	2,776,254	3,349,987	2,776,254	
Kansas City	17,288,948	17,288,948	17,288,948	17,288,948	
Total	67,026,699	41,899,584	67,026,699	41,899,584	

Western Grain Stocks.

Stocks of grain at Port William and Port Arthur on Saturday, March 21, were as follows:

Port William.			Port Arthur.		
Wheat—	Bushels.				
1 Hard	1,125,114				
2 Northern	602,902				
3 Northern	487,447				
Other grades	491,649				
Total	3,804,177				
Oats	389,141				
Flax	5,274				
None	None				
Port Arthur.			Port Arthur.		
Wheat—	Bushels.				
1 Hard	570,178				
2 Northern	629,529				
3 Northern	139,728				
Other grades	394,546				
Total	2,868,987				
Oats	24,028				
Barley	10,643				
Flax	11,355				

The figures show a total quantity of wheat in store at the two ports of 6,191,460 bushels a year ago for the same quantity was 5,072,000 bushels. Receipts of wheat for the week ending March 21 at the three principal points were 37,124 bushels, and shipments 174,125 bushels.

Stocks of wheat in store at Port William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior country points are approximately 18,000,000 bushels, as against 43,000,000 bushels a year ago, 5,300,000 bushels two years ago, 10,000,000 bushels three years ago, and 8,300,000 bushels four years ago.

Winnipeg Grain Inspection.

During the week ending March 21 there were inspected at Winnipeg 705 cars of grain, comprising the following:

Wheat—	Cars.
1 Hard	297
2 Northern	272
3 Northern	18,862
No. 4	19
Rejected 1	10
Rejected 2	4
No Grade	3
Condemned	1
Total	68

Outs—	Cars.
Extra No. 1	1
No. 1	25
No. 2	27
No. 3	4
Rejected	4
Barley—	
No. 3	16
Feed	5
Flaxseed—	
No. 1	4
Total	36

The total number of cars of grain inspected as above was 705, of which 514 were on the C. P. R. and 291 on the C. N. W. roads.

During the same week a year ago there were inspected 323 cars of grain, of which 288 were wheat.

The foregoing figures bring the total inspection of wheat from the first of September, the beginning of the crop year, up to 37,373 cars.

Grain and Milling Notes.

Manitoba mills report a steady demand from Australia for flour. Those mills which make a feature of this business have orders ahead.

The amount of Canadian wheat passed by the inspectors of Minneapolis between September 1, 1913, and March 1, 1914, for grinding at that point was 805 cars.

General Manager McNicol of the C. P. R. states that there is no truth in the report which has been going the rounds of the press in the west to the effect that the opening of navigation his company would haul no more grain from the Territories to lake terminals. Mr. McNicol says that the C. P. R. is now hauling grain away from country points faster than farmers are delivering it. Referring to the matter of shipments to Duluth he states that whereas some six weeks ago the C. P. R. was asked to provide cars to haul 6,000,000 bushels of wheat to Duluth, the quantity actually hauled so far does not exceed 700,000 bushels, and cars have had to return from shipping points empty.

Winnipeg City Council.

The Winnipeg city council had a number of important matters under discussion at their night session. Two rival waterpower schemes were applicants for municipal favors. One, The Great Falls Power Co., offered to furnish the city with 1,000 horse power for a period of ten years at \$50 per h.p. at \$40 per annum, with a franchise of 30 years. A third offer of the same character from the Keewatin Power Co. was mentioned, but as the documents were not presented its terms were not given. After the discussion the three offers were referred to the fire, water and light committee for report.

The Canadian Northern Railway submitted its proposals for the acquisition and hotel, a bridge over the Assiniboine, extensive additions to its yards, yard building and other improvements. These require the closing of Broadway east and portions of one or two smaller streets and lanes. The road, however, proposes to open another street at its own cost north of Broadway from the last-named street in place of the one referred to. This matter was referred to the board of public works. The finance committee recommended a large appropriation for increase in the police force. Twenty more men are asked

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St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 10, 1902.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the ingredients used by Mr. W. G. Douglas, Winnipeg, Manitoba, in the manufacture of his Carnefac Stock Food has been submitted to me for my opinion regarding their value. I may say with reference to them that I am satisfied they are all healthful. If properly blended they should make a splendid tonic for live stock, more especially animals not in the best working order, more especially an appetizer and will also tend to stimulate the digestion so that when fed in their condition, I would suppose that the result should be to quickly improve in feeding horses in preparing them for spring work, and in putting hard in feeding. It should also render good service when fed to calves that are not prospering because of indigestion.

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## C. N. R. Grain Storage Plants.

The illustrations herewith show the grain elevator plant at Port Arthur owned by the Canadian Northern Railway Company. This plant consists of the wooden elevator built in 1911 and completed early in 1922; and the new tank elevator, recently completed. The wooden building has a capacity of 1,250,000 bushels. This elevator, which is situated alongside of pier No. 5, is built on piles and concrete piers. The building is 239 feet long, 188 feet high, and measures from level of the foundation to the top gables 157 feet 6 inches. There are 2,340,000 feet of lumber in the structure, and 4,000 piles underneath it and the chimney and the power house.

The elevator contains 108 bins, each of which have a capacity of 9,500 bushels. For elevating purposes the building has ten lofters or legs, each of which has a capacity of 10,000 bushels per hour. There are also ten shipping spouts, which have even a greater capacity. The scales are 85,000 pound ones, and can weigh the

## The Furniture Trade.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Canadian Furniture Manufacturers' Association was held at the head office of the company in Toronto, and the report of the directors for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1922, was considered. It showed that the earnings had not been sufficient to pay the dividend of 7 per cent, which the management explained was due to the very large expenditure incurred and the losses sustained in the company's endeavor to establish itself in the export market.

The president stated that the board realized that the establishment of an export market was necessarily accompanied by many risks and disappointments, and that the record of the company's affairs would have been better during the past two years if its operations had been confined entirely to the home market, but the board considered that it was in the company's interests, as well as in the interests of the furniture trade generally, that a determined effort should be made to establish a market abroad, and that there would be a reserve to fall back upon should things in the home market become quiet.

He also stated that the price of furniture, being fixed in designs illustrated by catalogue, are not readily or easily changed to follow a rising or

falling market, and lumber and flour and feed industries were represented at the meeting. The secretary, W. T. Stein, reported that two delegates from the provincial branch of the association, J. Rittallack and L. Pratt, were present at the meeting of the Dominion Association at Toronto.

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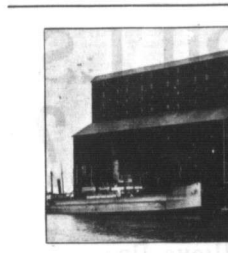
lake and rail route to be held at Sarnia pending the opening of navigation, but at the following through rates to Winnipeg—

Class 1	100 lbs.	1.13
2	115	1.19
3	130	1.25
4	145	1.31
5	160	1.37
6	175	1.43
7	190	1.49
8	205	1.55
9	220	1.61
10	235	1.67

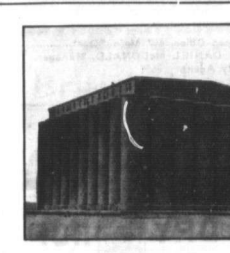
These rates include marine risk between Sarnia and Port Arthur. The Canadian Northern will establish a fast freight service between Port Arthur and Winnipeg on the opening of navigation and guaranteed quick dispatch to through freight between eastern Canada and the hub of the Northwest.

## Ontario Cannery Combine.

Reports have reached Winnipeg from reliable sources to the effect that the reported amalgamation of Ontario companies is an accomplished fact. The Canadian Cannery's Consolidated Company, Limited, is the name under which the combined factories will do business. The headquarters will be at Hamilton. The company will take over the factories and business of



Canadian Northern Elevator, Port Arthur, Ontario.



Canadian Northern Elevator, Port Arthur, Showing Grain Storage Tanks.

largest car used on any road. There are two tracks leading up to and alongside the elevator.

The building supplies its own lighting and motive power, the engines being 750 horse-power. The engine has an eighteen-foot fly wheel and a twelve-foot, eight-inch shaft. It has a twenty-four by forty-eight cylinder. The building is also supplied with the latest apparatus for extinguishing fire.

The main frame of the structure is of red pine, the piles of tamarac and cribbing of hemlock.

The tank storage plant is of a modern, fire-proof character. There are 80 circular bins or tanks, built of tile. These bins are 21 feet in diameter and 85 feet deep. Besides these large bins there are 63 smaller spaces for storing grain, consisting of the interstices between the large bins. The tile tank plant has a capacity of 7,100,000 bushels, making a total capacity of 3,350,000 bushels, including the wooden building. The tank plant is simply for grain storage. The one working plant handles the work of both elevators. This tank plant was built by the Barnett and Record Co., of Minneapolis, and is the only plant of its kind in Canada.

The construction of these elevators adds very materially to the importance of Port Arthur as a grain storage point, and it is quite probable that it will soon be necessary to construct another elevator at the Canadian Northern Railway late terminal, in order to provide storage accommodation for the rapidly increasing grain production of the west.

fluctuating market, and that the prices of all classes of material and wages had gone steadily and gradually advanced during the past year that the full effect of this advance and the profits were not realized until the books were actually closed. The experience of this company had been similar to that of the other companies during 1922, notwithstanding that the volume of business was satisfactory. It was this fact that had forced the manufacturers at their meeting at Stratford to raise prices 10 per cent.

The secretary-treasurer in his report stated that, in addition to the company's branches at London and Liverpool, England, agencies had been established in the West Indies, Bristol, Glasgow, Vienna, Constantinople, and Alexandria, and selling agencies had been established in Sydney, Australia and Cape Town, South Africa.

He concluded his remarks by stating that one of the reasons for effecting the amalgamation which had brought the company into existence was the hope of eliminating to some extent something that was a matter of thought by all who favored the movement that the formation of the company would have the effect. It was a fact that, however, that it had not done so, but that more and larger foreign factories had gone into existence during the past two years than before. This might be attributed to the general development all over the country.

## Manufacturers' Meeting in Vancouver.

Car shortage, export duty on lumber and shingles, and reciprocity in food stuffs were the principal questions taken up at the meeting of the British Columbia branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association last week. These questions were thoroughly threshed out and decisive action taken upon them. The meeting was presided over by W. Sulley, provincial chairman. The iron, lum-

ber, shingle, cannery and flour and feed industries were represented at the meeting. The secretary, W. T. Stein, reported that two delegates from the provincial branch of the association, J. Rittallack and L. Pratt, were present at the meeting of the Dominion Association at Toronto.

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It is the province of the provincial branch of the Manufacturers' Association to submit their wishes to the central association at Toronto, where the wishes of all the provincial associations are threshed out together, and any requests not limited to the manufacturing interests of the whole province or any section of it, are then taken up, and every effort made to induce the federal government to have the requests granted. To-day the British Columbia Association made the following requests to the central organization:

That they take up the question of shortage of cars in British Columbia with the Dominion government.

That they again consider the question of duties on lumber and food stuffs, as the British Columbia Association confirm their previous action in requesting that the rate of 90 cents per thousand feet be placed on lumber and of 30 cents per thousand on food stuffs.

That they again consider the question of duties on lumber and food stuffs there be reciprocal trade relations with the United States.

The association also decided to endorse the recommendations of the B. C. Mining Association regarding lead duties. The association is a very representative one and indications were not wanting that this organization is growing in strength and influence.

## Canadian Northern Rates.

Commencing April 10, the Grand Trunk railway and its connections will receive freight for shipments to Winnipeg and all points in Manitoba on the Canadian Northern railway via the

about 75 per cent of the leading fruit and vegetable packers in the Dominion. Over \$1,000,000 of the stock has already been subscribed and has been taken by the leading packers throughout the country. Under the new plan it is intended to secure safer and better conditions of the industry by co-operation and a united effort will be made to promote and extend the export trade with Great Britain and elsewhere. It is the intention to establish an agency in London, England, and to largely increase the export trade in Canadian canned fruits and vegetables. One of the main objects will be to standardize the quality of the goods throughout the country and a school of instruction will be established, probably at Hamilton, where experts will instruct in the latest modern methods of fruit and vegetable packing. What changes in the trade of the west this amalgamation will involve have not yet been made known. It is probable that the numerous Winnipeg brokers selling various makes in the jobbing trade will be reduced to one.

A new packing combine has been incorporated in Chicago which includes the most important plants in the Chicago area and other cities. The directors, whose names follow, are all interested in the big packing company: P. Lyman, J. O'Grady, J. O'Grady, G. F. Swift, Edward Morris, P. A. Valentine, Arthur McKee and W. J. Broderick. The president is James D. Standish and Kenneth McLaren.

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**FRAUDING THE CUSTOMS.**

There is complaint that the settlers now moving into Western Canada in such large numbers from the United States are abusing the privilege they have of bringing in effects free and at a low rate of freight. The fact has been clearly proven at a number of points on the west that when the freight cars which these so-called effects are unloaded they are found to contain in some cases quite large quantities of new goods, which have never been in use, and which can in no sense be considered as effects within the meaning of the customs act. The line about which some complaint is made is farm machinery. In some cases reported from western points individual settlers have been known to have among their effects two or three, and even four binders, which have never even been out of the crates in which the manufacturers put them up. These machines can be bought at a low price for cash on either side of the line, and are brought in as 10th class freight, thereby making their cost laid down fully 30 per cent. less than the Canadian price. The same thing may be said of other classes of machinery. Not only are these settlers supplying themselves with cheap implements in this way, but they are bringing in extra machines for neighbors and friends already here. The customs examination of settlers' effects at the boundary is a very cursory one, and often extends only so far as a casual peep in at the door of the car. The slim and shifty Yank is, of course, cute enough to provide that nothing shall be visible to such examination. It is winkling at this thing in the past. If so, it is time they discontinued the practice, as their leniency is being abused. We need the settlers, but there is nothing to be gained by allowing them to continue this dishonest practice.

**Tenders.**

Bids are wanted for the work of putting a new front in the Morris bank, Main street, Winnipeg, to be in by the 31st inst. Geo. Browne is the architect.

Tenders addressed to the chairman of the finance committee, Winnipeg, for the supply of stationery, will be up to 3.30 p. m. on Friday, April 3, 1903.

The trustees of the Elkhorn public school will fence in the grounds this spring. They invite tenders for about 87 rods of suitable wire fencing, 5 feet high with posts 10 feet apart. C. F. Travis is secretary.

Tenders will be received up to and inclusive of the 30th of April, 1903, for the supply (f.o.b. Minnedosa, Man.) of one car load of pipes, suitable for building culverts. E. C. Fisher, secretary-treasurer, Minnedosa.

Proposals, addressed to the chairman of the fire, water and light committee, Winnipeg, for a recovery plant for the line used in the water softening of the city, will be received at the office of the city clerk up to 12 o'clock p. m. on Monday, April 27, 1903.

Scaled tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock noon, on Saturday, the 4th day of April, 1903, for the grading of roads required by the municipality of Minnedosa during the year 1903. Estimated number of miles, 20 cks. The municipality will furnish the contractor elevating grader and road leveler to do the work.

**Anthracite Coal Lower.**

Winnipeg fuel dealers have reduced their prices for Pennsylvania anthracite coal to \$11.50 per ton retail. This is the result of reduced consumption and liberal offerings of lower priced coal. Dealers are anxious to clean out their stocks of anthracite before the winter closes as they anticipate lower prices next season.

**MINING**

**Mining Stocks.**

Montreal Gazette: The greater attention that has been devoted to the copper stocks lately, and the advance in price which has accompanied it, has led to conjectures locally as to whether a revival, in general mining stocks, might not be worked up, provided there is any improvement in the speculative situation. Mr. Blackstock's speech at the recent War Eagle meeting, however, is hardly calculated to encourage expectations of any such development in the immediate future, for, if people who have large amounts at stake, are in such a mood as Mr. Blackstock describes, the speculative public is not likely to be enthusiastic, no matter how much it might desire to recoup itself for the heavy losses incurred during the boom in 1908-09. That the amount of money sunk in mining stocks during the period in question was enormous is a comparison of the high level and the low level of the six leading mining properties listed on the local exchange plainly shows. The depreciation of a value resulting from the collapse of the boom was over 30% per cent., as will be seen from the following table:

	High.	Low.	Boom	Level.
Centre Star...	\$1.63	0.99	\$ 5,776,000	\$1,050,000
North Star...	1.20	0.69	1,560,000	156,000
Payne.....	4.20	0.11	10,500,000	28,000
Viribus.....	1.25	0.08	2,000,000	100,000
War Eagle.....	3.88	0.19	6,290,000	175,000
Republic.....	1.42	0.07	4,831,788	238,184
Totals.....			\$22,906,788	\$2,065,184

**British Columbia.**

English and French capital has been secured to develop the Spitzee mine at Rossland on a large scale.

The management of the Payne mine at Sandon has perfected plans for the building of a roasting and magnetic plant to treat the zinc ores of the mine.

Shipments from Rossland for the week ended March 21 were: Le Roi,

3,500 tons; Centre Star, 1,440; War Eagle, 1,650; Le Roi No. 2, 700; Velvet, 150. Total for week, 6,840 tons; for year to date, 82,870 tons.

The ore output of the mines in the Boundary district during the week ended March 21 were very small, owing to the restriction of smelting operations due to the lack of coke. The shipments only reached 5,240 tons, as follows: Granby mines, 4,200 tons; Emma, 420 tons. During the same period the Granby smelter treated 5,047 tons of ore, or 72,631 tons for the year to date.

**Northwestern Ontario.**

Work is to be resumed at the Redeemer mine, Wabigoon district.

The proprietors of the Indian Joe mine, near Flat Portage, are buying machinery for the development of their property.

A group of Kalamazoo, Mich., capitalists and business men have secured a valuable mineral property in the Manitow, near Mud Lake, and adjoining the Imperial group, now owned by the Summit Lake Gold Mining Co.

The Free Gold Mining & Milling Company, owning valuable holdings in the Imperial group, has commenced operations on their property. This company is also a Detroit aggregation. The locations they have secured adjoins the Little Master and is considered an excellent mining property.

The Manitow Mining and Milling Co., a new company recently organized in Detroit, will commence active operations as soon as conditions will permit. This company have secured a fine location on Three Hundred Lake, not far from Gold Rock. There are at least three good veins on this property and further development may reveal several more.

**THE LUMBER TRADE.**

**B. C. Timber Laws.**

There will be no joint petition of loggers and mill men for amendments to the British Columbia timber laws. That is according to the statement of a prominent mill man. Being asked

why, this informant said that it was because the views of the loggers, as represented by the committee who called upon the mill men, were not in such accord with the views of the millmen. In the first place the personnel of the committee was such that it represented the broker or speculative interest more than the working loggers. In the second place to accede to what this committee wants, that is to make a special license transferable, and with a life of 15 years, would enable outsiders to barter licenses, and tie up all the timber in the country. It was through the efforts of the loggers that the special license laws were put in force by the provincial government, now through this committee they desire to amend them. In making the laws easier for outsiders to acquire timber, as they say the government would be playing into the hands of speculators who could hold the timber for a rise for 15 years and thus keep it from loggers and established industries. If the committee would consent to have a clause inserted among the amendments requiring the licensee to cut within a short enough time to prevent speculation, then there would not be the same objection to their suggested amendments.

**Lumber Trade Notes.**

The heavy fall of snow in the Lake of the Woods district has been welcomed by the lumbermen, as the slighing was seriously affected by the recent mild weather. Logging is now well advanced, and no trouble is anticipated in getting out the remainder of the season's cut.

Goldie & McCulloch, of Galt, Ont., who are represented in Winnipeg by Burrige & Cooper, have contracted with the town of Fort William to supply the power plant for the new municipal system of electric lighting. This plant includes a 500 horse power compound condensing Wheelock engine, boilers, pumps, etc. and will cost \$21,000.



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## PIG IRON IN CANADA.

The American Iron and Steel Association has received direct from the manufacturers the statistics of the production of pig iron in Canada in 1902. They show an increase of 74,581 gross tons, or over 30 per cent, as compared with 1901.

The total production in 1902 amounted to 319,557 gross tons, against 234,975 tons in 1901, and 856,000 tons in 1900. In the first half year of 1902 the production was 157,804 tons, and in the second half of it was 161,753 tons, a gain of only 3,949 tons, of the total production last year, 302,712 tons were made with coke and 18,845 tons with charcoal. A little over one third of the total production was basic pig iron namely, 107,315 tons. The Bessemer iron has amounted to about 9,000 tons. Spiegeleisen and ferromanganese have not been made since 1900.

The following table gives the total production of all kinds of pig iron (including spiegeleisen and ferromanganese) in Canada from 1864 to 1902. Prior to 1864 the statistics of pig iron production in Canada were not collected by the Association. The figures are in long tons:—

1864.....44,791 1889.....84,077

1865.....27,528 1901.....86,986

1886.....60,000 1902.....214,979

1897.....53,796 1902.....319,557

1898.....8,776

On December 31, 1902, the unsold stocks of pig iron in Canada amounted to about 20,000 gross tons, as compared with 50,472 at the close of 1901 and 12,465 tons at the close of 1900. Of the unsold pig iron, on hand in December 31, over 10,000 tons were coke pig iron.

On December 31, 1902, Canada had 14 completed blast furnaces, of which 7 were in blast, and 7 were idle. Of this total 5 were equipped to use coke for fuel, and 4 to use charcoal, and 1 to use mixed charcoal and coke. In addition, 4 coke and 2 charcoal furnaces were being built or were partly erected on December 31, but work on several of the furnaces was temporarily suspended.

The bulletin of the Association gives the following notes on Canadian blast

furnaces at the opening of the present year:—

The Cramp Steel Company, Limited, has put in the foundations for a blast furnace at Collingwood, Simcoe county, Ontario. Work upon the furnace was temporarily suspended a short time ago, but it is to be resumed early in the spring. The company expects to have the furnace ready for operation next fall. Coke will be used. Its daily capacity will be about 250 gross tons. The company is now erecting a rolling mill at Collingwood, to be equipped with one 10 and one 18-in. train of rolls, which it expects to have completed early in March. Two 18-ton open-hearth steel furnaces will be connected with the mill.

The Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited, of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, broke ground in June, 1902, for a new furnace at Sydney Mines, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. The furnace will be built 85 by 17 ft. and will have a daily capacity of about 200 tons of basic and foundry pig iron. Coke will be used and red and brown hematite ore will be obtained from Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. The furnace will be equipped with four Robert hot-air blast stoves. It will probably be completed in September. The company now has a furnace at Ferrona, Nova Scotia, with an annual capacity of 35,000 gross tons. It ran for 44 weeks in 1902, and was active on December 31.

The Londonderry Iron and Mining Company, Limited, of Londonderry, Nova Scotia, is rebuilding furnace A, at Acadia Iron Mines, and will begin in May. The stack will be 75 by 17 ft. and will have an annual capacity of 45,000 tons of foundry iron. The company does not contemplate blowing in furnace B in the near future, but may build it later on.

Bridgeville Furnace, at Bridgeville, Pictou county, Nova Scotia, was idle during the whole of 1902. The furnace was last active in 1896, when mixed coke and charcoal were used for fuel and pig iron, spiegeleisen, and ferromanganese were made. It is not likely to resume work in the near future.

The Algoma Steel Company, Limited, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, had not completed on December 31, 1902, the erection of the two furnaces which it began building over a year ago. They will have a total annual capacity of about 100,000 tons. One will use coke and the other charcoal.

The Dominion Iron and Steel Company, Limited, of Sydney, Nova Scotia, had two of its furnaces in blast on December 31. The two idle furnaces will not resume until a sufficient supply of coke can be assured. In 1902 the company made basic and foundry pig iron.

The Canada Iron Furnace Company, Limited, had its charcoal furnace at Radnor Forest, Quebec, out of blast for relining on December 31. It resumed work on January 20. The furnace ran for thirty-eight weeks in 1902.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

## HOG SUPPLY DIMINISHING.

The marketing of hogs at all points throughout the east and west continues to diminish, as compared with a year ago. During the week the eleven markets received 329,000 hogs, making a total of less than a million, or 953,000 for the same weeks of the present month, showing an average decrease of 270,000 as compared with the corresponding period of the three previous years. The present month being among the smallest in about ten years for March. For 1903 to date the eleven markets have received 4,856,000 hogs, showing 1,061,000 decrease compared with a year ago, 735,000 decrease compared with two years ago, and 573,000 decrease compared with the corresponding period of 1900. The average price at Chicago for the week was \$7.35, against \$7.40 the previous week, \$6.41 a year ago, \$5.92 two years ago, \$5.05 three years ago and \$5.50 four years ago. Levi-headed dealers in the trade seem more sanguine than ever that hogs will reach \$8.00 in the near future. They figure the high point this year will be reached before the end of May, whereas the high point in 1902 was reached

in July, when hogs sold in Chicago at \$8.25, the high time since 1893. Receipts of hogs at the Chicago Stock Yards for March, 1903, promise to fall short of 250,000, or the smallest March total since 1893. The average weight for this month will fall below 215 lbs., the lightest for March since 1891.—Drovers' Journal, Chicago.

## Trans-Canada Surveys.

The chief engineer of the Trans-Canada Railway has received news from the engineering party now working on the railway at the north end of Lake Winnipeg. Mr. Perry, the engineer in charge, has completed twenty miles of location east and west of Norway House, and has explored a large area of additional country in both directions. The lines located are absolutely straight without any curves or grades, and a most favorable bridge site has been found across the large Nelson river, the outlet of Lake Winnipeg. It was feared that this great river, which flows into Hudson Bay, would prove very expensive to cross, but the engineers, by making use of an island, have succeeded in finding an excellent crossing. Mr. Perry reports that, contrary to the general impression, the country at the north end of the lake, although in some places covered with muskeg for a few inches, consists of rich clay and loam, and the timber is good spruce. The snow-fall in this region is so light that the engineers were able to do all their work without snowshoes.

A meeting of the directors of the Trans-Canada was held to consider these reports and approve the plans and profiles of the work done before forwarding them to Ottawa. The directors were so well pleased with the work done that instructions were immediately telegraphed to Mr. Perry, to increase his force and push on the surveys with all the energy possible.

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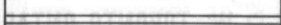


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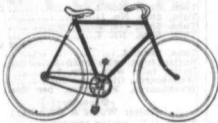
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values should more than hold their own, especially with moderate, conservative marketing during the next few weeks. While the top price this week was nearly \$1.35 below the high point of the year, the average price of good beef steers was within about 10 cents of the highest week's average for 1903 to date.—Drovers' Journal, Chicago.

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Burridge & Cooper, Winnipeg, have contracted to supply machine tools for the new Manitoba Iron Works, Ltd., at the value of about \$15,000.

The Northwestern Hide and Fur Co., of Minneapolis, report the following changes in the market on hides, wool, furs, etc. It will be noticed by looking over the revised prices that hides of all kinds are lower. Wool and sheep pelts are from 5 to 10 per cent lower. Skunk and mink furs are 20 per cent lower. The average receipts coming to market, now are considerably lower than last month.

The British Government has introduced its Irish Land-bill in parliament. It proposes that the government shall provide the money at a low rate of interest wherever the Irish farmers and peasantry may purchase from the landlords the farms from off which they derive their living.

This bill is expected to solve the long standing question of Irish land rights and to secure the peace of the British Isles. It has been favorably received in parliament.

Hide and Leather of Chicago reviews the hide market in that city as follows: Concessions were made which led to the sale of from five to ten thousand hides of the above selections to a western tanner. Buffs are held at \$4½, with 8c generally bid. One dealer says he was offered \$4½ for a car, but refused it. Receipts are very small. Dealers being well sold up on heavy stock are not anxious to sell at the bid price for buffs. Tanners, on the other hand are holding out of the market, believing prices will settle down still further unless a better demand springs up for leather. Calfkinks command full prices, but many of the tanners are well supplied and are talking an easier market.

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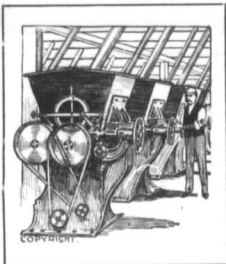
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