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CAPITALIZATION OF RAILWAY PROPERTY.

The amount of railway capital outstanding in the form of funded debt was \$6,169,981,698. This amount comprised the following items: Mortgage bonds, \$3,554,212,911; miscellaneous obligations, \$664,794,588; income bonds, \$242,556,745; and equipment trust obligations, \$889,289,442...

The amount of capital stock paying no dividends was \$1,654,614, or 44.60 per cent. of the total capital outstanding. Omitting equipment trust obligations, the amount of stock which paid no interest was \$294,175,243. Of the stock paying dividends, 28 per cent. of the total capital outstanding paid from 1 to 4 per cent. 18.4 per cent. paid from 4 to 5 per cent. 17.5 per cent. paid from 5 to 6 per cent. 12.78 per cent. paid from 6 to 7 per cent. and 5.54 per cent. paid from 7 to 8 per cent. during the year 1915-1916...

UNITED STATES TRADE WITH CANADA

Exports from the United States to Canada during the first ten months ended show a larger total than in any preceding year. The department has announced that the value of exports to British North America has been \$12,000,000 in the eleven months of the present year...

WHEAT SUPPLIES AT THE SUMMER MINIMUM.

Visible wheat supplies fell still further toward the minimum of recent years, says Bradstreet's, the stock in the United States on July 1, 1916, was 25,917,000 bushels on July 1, a decrease of 12,069,000 bushels for the month of June, 1916, and a total of 11,304,000 a year ago in that month and of 10,734,000 bushels in 1901, and

an increase of 513,000 bushels in 1900. European supplies also fell off 3,900,000 bushels during June, and the aggregate American and European supplies declined 16,000,000 bushels. The American supply for the year is the smallest reported since July 1, 1905, with that single exception the lightest held in twelve months, with the exceptions the smallest held in nineteen years. The European supply on July 1 is the smallest held since July 1, 1907, and the aggregate American and European supplies the lightest since 1907. Following are the statistics of supplies held in the United States and Canada on the first of each month for four years past:

Table showing statistics of supplies held in the United States and Canada on the first of each month for four years past (1913-1916).

The total supply in the above positions on July 1 is found to be 25,917,000 bushels, a decrease of 60,000 bushels from January 1, a decrease of 3,504,000 bushels from the year ago, 15,100,000 bushels from 1901 and of 29,047,000 bushels from 1900. Compared with July 1, 1915, stocks are 4,912,000 bushels larger, as the following table of supplies on July 1 for nineteen years shows:

Table showing supplies on July 1 for nineteen years (1900-1916).

Following are the figures of European stocks on the first of each month for eight years past:

Table showing European stocks on the first of each month for eight years past (1908-1916).

The consolidated American and European supply is the smallest held since September 1 a year ago, and is little larger than that held on July 1 of 1908 or 1907, as the following figures will show:

Table showing consolidated American and European supply for eight years past (1908-1916).

SETTLERS AND THE CROPS AT EDMONTON.

The past four months in the Edmonton district is a continued story of unprecedented progress. It has been the history of the district has received such a steady flow of immigration. A pleasing feature of this is that the settlers are a very superior class, being in most cases, fairly well-to-do. A large number of English and Scotch farmers, who are equally as well endowed with brains as with money, have settled in the district and many more will follow on their report of the country. It is not so important that the Edmonton district receives a large number of old country settlers as that those which it does receive are of the right class. If these settlers understand or are willing to study the conditions as they exist here there is no doubt but that they will succeed, and if successful, immigration from their particular districts in the old country will receive a decided impetus, greatly to our benefit. Be-

sides old country settlers, numerous settlers from Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces have been attracted to this district. A very large percentage of these have settled along the Vermilion. Perhaps the larger portion of the arrivals are veterans who have been from the western states. Although we like to see people of our own country and those who have been brought up under kind and intelligent institutions to ourselves, we are nevertheless glad to have a willing disposition to rejoice at the coming here of the new country farmers. They bring to us years of experience, similar climatic and agricultural conditions, and the growing crops of many of our cases they bring capital and also the spirit of enterprise, which does not hesitate in investing capital.

In other words, the average American farmer will not delay investing a few dollars until he sees a sufficient reimbursement at his fingers' end. Such a spirit is absolutely necessary in the development of a new country. Settlers of a thrifty, industrious nature are constantly arriving from Germany. With such conditions as have been created the splendid future of our district is assured.

During the close of settlers that are seeking this district, to the weather and condition of our crops, we find few complaints of the migration. The district is eminently suitable for farming and the climatic conditions are most favorable. Abundant showers of rain have fallen and the crops have been bounding along. The country on every side is a scene of verdant beauty and nothing less than an imprudent settler will keep the district from enjoying the most successful year in its history. The growing country is one of producing a record-breaking yield, and this will put the district and the whole of the growing country on a basis, from which it will never recede. -Edmonton Wrapping.

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A machine for wrapping oranges and other fruits with paper has recently been patented. The machine is installed in some of the large orchards and packing sheds in California and Florida. It is operated by hand or power, and has a capacity of 25,000 to 40,000 oranges, or other fruit per hour. The paper fed is an endless roll and cut in squares. The machine will wrap fruits of the size of most of the oranges and will handle eggs without breaking. It is said to save two cents to four cents per box on oranges.

CROP NOTES.

Hartney, Man., July 11.-Recent showers of rain have improved the condition of the growing crops. Wheat is now headed out and on many fields there will be heavy crops although the average yield of the district will not be so high as that of last year.

Souris, Man.-Considerable rain has fallen since our last report, but too late to carry out the magnificent prospect which it has generated. From 10 to 20 bushels per acre, according as the locality was affected by the rain, is the average yield to be looked for. In isolated cases the crop will be as heavy as last year. The wheat is being well.

Cypress River, Man.-The weather during the past week may be said to have been not too favorable, but more rain would have been of great benefit. Since our last issue several heavy showers have fallen and the wheat is making good progress toward maturity most of it being now headed out. It has generally been admitted that the yield will be lighter than last year and that the harvest will begin rather early.

Medicine Hat, Assa., July 5.-There is a great improvement in the weather conditions. The district has had rain. There has been a number of splendid showers of rain and all classes of crops are looking better than of late. These rains will practically assure the hay crop and crops sown for fodder which will be greatly benefited. The rain has been general all over the district, being showered rather than poured. In some parts the thunder storms amounted almost to a cloud-burst. There was a heavy shower at Walsh on Sunday and one at Star Wednesday afternoon. After the dry weather of the week, the rains have been very welcome. In the district of some grass are in blossom and show a good growth.

The C. P. R. Main Line

Special Correspondence of The Commercial.

The main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway runs in a westerly direction from Winnipeg for a distance of two hundred miles through the province of Manitoba. This line passes through a varied country, some of which is the best in the Canadian west. On leaving Winnipeg we enter at

Portage la Prairie the land is all good and the country has a rolling surface, though not in any way abrupt. Small poplar bluffs dot the view. The soil is in most cases light, especially on the higher land although when well cultivated there has always been very good results. Further to the north at a dis-

walks. The residences are tastefully placed and have in most instances a fine lawn with here and there ornamental trees and shrubs. We cannot begin to enumerate the men in business here as every line is fully represented and thoroughly worked. There are ample banking facilities, two weekly newspapers, branch houses of all important manufacturing establishments and plenty of hotel accommodations. The Lake of the Woods Milling Co. have a branch here, turning out their product at a rate of eight hundred barrels a day. There is also The Alex. Brown Milling Co., a branch of the Toronto firm, whose daily capacity is two hundred and fifty barrels. Met-

ple. The mill owned by C. J. Hurt does a good local trade. Brown & Armstrong hold a flourishing hardware business. Jas. White owns and operates the planing mill and has a good trade.

Brandon, which comes next, we shall not now speak as to do justice to a place of Brandon's standing requires more space than can be afforded in an article of this nature.

Passing on then to Alexander we find one of the regular little country towns, not large, but doing a nice little local business. Just a few miles west of Alexander is Graveland, about the same size, but rather more enterpris-



Flour Mill of Alex. Brown, at Portage la Prairie, Manitoba.



P. W. Martin's Residence, at Magregor, Man.

ness on a section of purely prairie country. The first few miles of this is not above the average, although the immediate vicinity of Rosser is considered very good. The land is low and at present much better suited to grazing and hay than to grain farming. The higher parts have proven themselves very fair wheat farms but are rather too isolated. Just following this we come to a district that is fast changing from hayland to grain farms. At the present time it is about half of each, but yearly the area broken and cultivated is increasing. This section merges gradually into the celebrated Portage Plains, which for years have held first place in the public estimation as a grain country. The land is nearly level and of excellent quality and the seasons are earlier than in other parts of Manitoba. Perhaps no part of the province boasts better farms and farm buildings, and certainly for a term of years no other place has been equally productive. The Portage Plains are not confined to the neighborhood of Portage but also embrace several of the smaller towns on either side.

Between Portage and Brandon there is a large stretch of country wooded in parts, and with fertile sections and ranges of sand hills alternating. As the word implies these sand hills are of very light soil and vegetation is sparse. The tree life is found in scrub poplar, jack pine or stunted oak. It is worthless for cultivation and about the only use it could have in for a sheep ran. There are between these ranges, however, some pieces of good land, which though generally rather

lance of five or six miles the land is much better and has been found to give a better yield.

Until we reach Portage la Prairie, forty-six miles from Winnipeg, we do not find any village of large size. Fifteen miles out is Rosser, which is rather too near the city to ever expect to be very large. Still, as there is a

calfe & Son own and operate the oat-mel mills and carry beside a line of harvesting machinery and Ontario wagons. J. & E. Brown have what is, perhaps, the largest departmental store in town, although closely followed by several others.

Nearly twenty miles west of Portage we reach the village of Magregor,



Street View, Elkhorh, Man.



School, Elkhorh, Man.

very fine locality around, it may become quite a local centre.

Poplar Point and High Bluff are the only other places before reaching Portage that are worth notice and naturally they suffer from most of the trade going to the town. High Bluff has, however, quite a little local business and is surrounded by the same conditions of soil as Portage.

from which point the Wellwood branch opens the country to the northwest. While not large, this village is a first class business place, the general stores of Jas. Martin, P. W. Martin and Merrick Bros. being worth attention. In the hardware line we have H. Glover and H. B. Fryer doing a good trade, while a monopoly of the meat business is in the hands of Chas. Street. Mac-

gregor. Several good firms are here, the chief of which are E. Hill & Co. and Speers & Paul, in the general store lines, and J. C. Humphry, with furniture and implements.

At Oak Lake the most important concern is the milling business of Leitch Bros. The product of these mills has a wide sale, both east and west, a good deal finding sale in Japan. There are several other men having good establishments—W. A. Clow, the butcher; J. S. Ledgerwood, confectioner and baker; T. J. Parsons, hardware merchant, and Mr. A. Thompson, general store man, are instances.

Virden, fifty miles from Brandon, and with a population of 1,000, is our next point. This is one of the best towns on the line, and in proportion to size, probably does most business. Nicely situated and well looked after, it is a pleasant place to live in, and surrounded by a good farming settlement the merchants are kept going. This year the mill changed hands and is now controlled by Nichols, Hubbard & Drine, who are gradually working business up to a profitable point. The hardware business is in the hands of Fyame & Miller and the Virden Lumber and Hardware Co. W. J. Whitox has a very fine building for general store purposes and handles an excellent stock. McEllen & English also hold a good business, particularly in dry goods. There are several others of importance whom we cannot mention.

Elkhorh, the last town on the line

light produce well when the moisture is plentiful. The land around Brandon is good, especially when one gets well to the north of the Assiniboine river. Of course this locality has been well un-der any since the early eighties and many of the houses and buildings around one of farm homes in Ontario, although orchards are here unfortunately unproductive. From Brandon west to the Assini-

boine Portage la Prairie has second place among the towns of Manitoba, both in size and in volume of business, and in appearance we think it stands first. The population is now almost four thousand and a busy, bustling population it is. A great deal of care has been taken to make the town as attractive as possible, all the streets but those exclusively business being lined with trees. These have reached large size and formed an arch over the side-

gregor is a brisk little town and has a good tributary settlement. Austin and Sidney, the next villages worth noting, are in the favored spots among the sand hills. Neither one is large the population being between two and three hundred.

Carberry, one hundred and five miles from Winnipeg, is quite an important little town. Judging from its appearance one would not suppose it to contain nearly twelve hundred peo-

ple in Manitoba, is not of great size, but has a very fair location and a steady, if not very rushing business. There is a fairly good trade with the settlement around. The general store of G. W. Marsh, the hardware of G. Silvester, the flour mill and bakery of C. F. Travis, and the butcher business of E. B. Guest are of deserving mention. A good work is being done by the Indian school here, whose pupils now number over a hundred.



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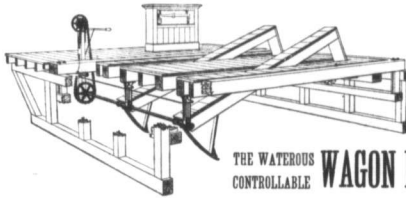
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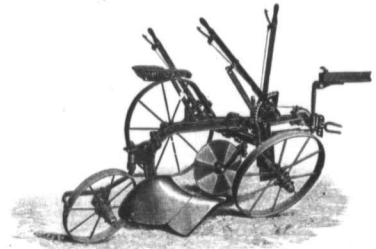


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TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE

(Special to The Commercial)

Toronto, July 18.

Dry Goods—Fair demand for fall goods. Noting quiet. Prices of prints and cottons for spring are expected to advance a month and are likely to show late advances.

Hardware—Less demand—The outlook is promising. Prices are firm. There have been no new contracts or extra charge for small lots of washers and nuts. One hundred pounds will pay 24c outside to 24c inside. 25c. The discount for standard and quick opening valves and square heads has been reduced 1/2c. Makers of shot and lead pipe have reduced their terms to sixty days and to 2 1/2 per cent. per day. An advance in poultry netting is expected. Pig tin is 1/2c lower. Black sheets and tin plate 2 1/2c to 2 1/2c lower. Canada plates 20 to 25c lower.

Groceries—Fair movement. Sugars are in bulk demand. Grades have advanced again here today 10 cents, following the same advance at New York today.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE

(Special to The Commercial)

Toronto, July 18.

Offerings of wheat are not large. There is a fair milling demand. Manitoba is firmer. Potatoes in 100 lb. bags steady to firm. Oats are easier. Suet, tallow, lard, tallow and cream are plentiful. Eggs are not much demand. Eggs are in liberal supply and the quality is getting less desirable.

Wheat—7c to 7c for red and white, middle freight; spring wheat, 7c to 8c; Manitoba No. 1, 8c to 8 1/2c; and No. 1 northern, 8c to 8 1/2c; lake ports, grinding in transit, 6c to 6 1/2c.

Barley—No. 1 white, 32 1/2c; 2 white, 31c to 31 1/2c; outside points, 21c wet, 20c dry. No. 3 at 41c.

Flour—40 per cent. Ontario patents, \$2.80 to \$2.85; 100 per cent. \$3.00 to \$3.05; freight. Choice brands are held 1/2c to 2c higher. Manitoba flour, \$1.20 for Hungarian patent, 100 lb. bags included, on track, Toronto.

Milled—Shorts, \$17 per ton, and bran \$14 per ton, middle freight; Manitoba feed, \$21 for cars of shorts, and \$13 for bran, sacks included, Toronto.

Oatmeal—\$3.70 for cars of bags and \$3.85 in wood for 100 lbs. Toronto. Hay—Carrots on track, \$9.00 to \$10 per ton for No. 1 timothy.

Apples—Care lots, new laid, 14 to 15c per dozen. Butter—Dairy rolls, 14c to 15c; tubs, and 15c to 16c; creamery, 15c to 16c; choice, 17 1/2c to 18c; prints, 18c to 19c; Apples—No. 1 green, 90c; No. 1 red, 90c; No. 1 yellow, 90c; No. 1 orange, 90c; No. 1 white, 90c; No. 1 red, 90c; No. 1 yellow, 90c; No. 1 orange, 90c; No. 1 white, 90c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 15 to 16c; unwashed, 8c to 9 1/2c. Beans—\$1.80 to \$1.90 per bushel for jobs of hand picked, and \$1.25 to \$1.75 for unpicked.

Apples—Evaporated, 6 to 6 1/2c; dried 3 1/2c. Maple Syrup—\$1.10 per imperial gallon, in bulk or gallon tins. Honey—\$2 to \$2 1/2c per gallon in bulk; in frames, \$1.50.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE

(Special to The Commercial)

Winnipeg, July 18.

Wheat—Quiet under heavy reser-voir. Prices about steady at last week's figures. Colored is very scarce. There is some export inquiry for butter which is slightly firmer.

Oats—No. 2 white, 36 1/2c to 37c alfalfa. Barley—No. 3, 52 1/2c alfalfa. Flour—Manitoba patent, \$4.20; Manitoba, strong brand, \$4.25; standard, \$3.90; \$3.50 to \$3.75; winter patents \$3.20 to \$4.00.

Feed—Manitoba bran, bags included, \$1.10; shorts, \$21.00; 100 lb. Ontario bran, in bulk, \$11.00; shorts \$20.50 to \$23. Hays—No. 2, \$12.00 to \$12.50 per ton. Hay—Finest Ontario, 3 1/2 to 3 1/2c; finest Quebec, 3 1/2 to 3 1/2c; butter—Creamery, 18 1/2 to 18 1/2c; for best; seconds, 18 to 18 1/2c; dairy, 15 to 15 1/2c. Potatoes—Carlots, \$1.10 for choice varieties or low, \$2.50 per barrel.

Eggs—New laid, 14 1/2c in round lots. Maple Syrup—70c to 75c for large tins; sugar, 8c to 8 1/2c.

Honey—White cream, comb, in large sections, 12c to 13c.

Hogs—Fresh killed, \$8.25 for best weights of 250 lbs. to 300 lbs. Hides—No. 1 beef hides, 8c; No. 2, 7c; No. 3, 6c; with calves to tanners at 1 1/2c for 100 lbs. of skins. Lambskins, 25c; catkins, 11c for No. 1 and 3c for No. 2.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK

(Special to The Commercial)

Winnipeg, July 15.

Receipts at the stock yards on Tuesday amounted to 95 cars, including 1773 head of cattle, 342 sheep and lambs, and 40 hogs. Extra choice exporters, sold at \$4.90; \$3.15 per cwt. General run of choice cattle at \$4.60 to \$4.75, medium, steady at \$4.40 to \$4.50, and cows from \$2.75 to \$4.00; picked lots of butchers sold at \$4.00 to \$4.75; general run of choice cattle at \$4.00 to \$4.69. Fair to good brought about \$4.40 to \$4.50, and cows \$2.50 to \$4.25. There was very little demand for stockers and feeders and not many are offering. Prime, unchanged, at \$3.60 for feeders and \$2.75 to \$3.00 for stockers. Export sheep steady at \$2.50 to \$3.65; butchers, \$2.25 to \$2.50; and spring lambs, steady at \$2.50 to \$3.00 each, and 4 1/2c to 4c per lb. Hog—Run was quiet. Choice prices are quoted unchanged at \$5.65 per cwt. for select and \$5.40 for standard rates.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS

Toronto, July 18.

Receipts at the stock yards yesterday amounted to 36 cars, including 407 cattle, 600 sheep and lambs, and 300 hogs. Not many choice export cattle were offering. There is good demand for best which were higher at \$5 to \$5.25. Good to choice \$4.60 to \$4.80. Butcher cattle were scarce, especially choice. \$4.65 to \$4.75 was paid. Stockers, firm at \$3.40 to \$3.45; feeders, \$2.75 to \$3.00; cows firm at \$2.50 to \$3.00; and lambs, unchanged. Sheep in good demand and all sold. Export, 2.50 to \$3.75. Butchers, \$2.25 to \$3.00. Lambs, \$2.00 to \$2.50 in good demand and unchanged.

MON' REAL LIVE STOCKS

(Special to The Commercial)

Montreal, July 14.

The offerings at the Canadian stock and East End Abattoir market yesterday were 900 cattle and 800 sheep and lambs. The demand for cattle was good and an active trade was done at steady prices. There is good demand for hogs at 4 1/2 to 4 3/4; fair at 3 1/2 to 4c; and common at 2 1/2 to 3 1/4c per lb. An active trade was done at 82 to 84c for hogs and lambs. Export sheep sold at 3 1/2 to 4c, and butchers' stock at 3 to 3 1/2c per lb. The demand for calves was good and prices ranged from 82 to \$10 each.

HOGS AND HOG PRODUCTS

(Special to The Commercial)

Toronto, July 18.

Dressed Hogs—Farmers' lots, dressed, \$7.75 to \$8.25 for heavy and \$7.00 to \$7.50 for light. Carcasses, short cut, \$2.00 to \$2.25; heavy meat, 20.50 to \$21.00; clear, \$10.00. Smoked and Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, tons and cases, 10 1/2 to 10 3/4; medium, 10 1/4 to 11 1/4; 12c; shoulder, 11 to 11 1/4; backs, 14 to 15c; breakfast bacon, 14 to 15c; green meat out of the backs are quoted at 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 10c; tubs, 10 1/2c; and retail, 10 1/2c to 10 3/4c.

BRITISH LIVE STOCK

London, July 13. The tone of the market for Canadian stock was easier with sales of choice 11 1/2c as against 11 1/4c a week ago. Sheep were steady at 12c, and American cattle were unchanged at 12c.

Liverpool, July 13.—There was no change in the market for Canadian cattle, the range being from 11 1/2c to 12c.

FRIDAY'S CABLE

(Special to The Commercial)

London, July 17.

Canadian cattle, 9 1/2c to 10 1/2c; United States, 10c to 11 1/2c; United States dressed weights, and 12c was paid for very choice American 10 1/2c to 11 1/2c. Sheep, 10 1/2 to 12c.

LONDON SUGAR

(Special to The Commercial)

London, July 17.

July option, 8s.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE

Following are the figures at which the Chicago market closed on each day of the past week:

Table with columns: Commodity, July, Sept., Dec. Includes Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, and various grades of flour.

NEW YORK WHEAT

Closing prices for the week:

Table with columns: Commodity, July 18, July 11, July 4. Includes No. 1 hard, No. 2 hard, No. 3 hard.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT

Closing prices for the week:

Table with columns: Commodity, July 18, July 11, July 4. Includes No. 1 hard, No. 2 hard, No. 3 hard.

DULUTH WHEAT

Closing prices for the week:

Table with columns: Commodity, July 18, July 11, July 4. Includes No. 1 hard, No. 2 hard, No. 3 hard.

WINNIPEG GRAIN INSPECTION

During the week ending July 14 there were inspected at Winnipeg 48 cars of grain, comprising the following:

Table with columns: Commodity, Cars. Includes Wheat, Corn, Oats, Barley, Hay.

The total number of cars of grain inspected as above was 48, of which 300 were in the hands of the N. E. R. made during the same week a year ago there were inspected 27 cars, of grain, of which 823 were wheat. Two years ago the total movement was 239 cars.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, July 17.—The recovery in prices of securities which was interrupted yesterday by the late slump in amalgamated copper, was resumed to-day, being well in force as the day progressed, and in the final hour the level of the wheat market was lifted and 2 points over last night. N. Y. C. and St. Paul, Reading, Erie and pressed, Union Pacific, Atchafon, amalgamated and smelting.

The opening advance in the market was first checked by a renewed attack on amalgamated copper, but then a recovery followed. Another basket of wheat caused by the drop in sugar to 14c last night. Cotton advanced today a violent slump of 1-8 points on the 10c being made. The general market feeling over the money outlook was somewhat better, but not without assigned authority that many proposed loans by railroad corporations were not to be made. The general interest in to-morrow's bank statement will be about the same as last week. It is supposed that the Pennsylvania Co. has issued a statement regarding the matter in regard to the movement in the market. The feeling of confidence that has prevailed the market closed active and well advanced. The market was well inclined to rally in sympathy with the general market, but some weakness was made in the wheat market, which was held near value \$2.50 to \$2.75. It was well against the flames.

LIVERPOOL PRICES

Liverpool, July 17.—Wheat: Spot No. 1 northern spring, 48s. 6d.; No. 2, 47s. 6d.; western winter, 46s. 6d.; No. 1, 45s. 6d.; No. 2, 44s. 6d.; putres, quiet, 43s. 6d.; No. 3, 42s. 6d.

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

The political event of the week is the announcement of the resignation of Hon. A. B. Blair from the post of minister of railways and telegraphs in the Dominion cabinet. Mr. Blair's resignation was announced in a statement given by himself and his colleagues. He holds that this will jeopardize the Dominion government's investment in the Canadian Pacific Railway. He holds that this will jeopardize the Dominion government's investment in the Canadian Pacific Railway. He holds that this will jeopardize the Dominion government's investment in the Canadian Pacific Railway.

B. C. SUGAR SITUATION

(Special Correspondence)

The feature of this week was the unexpected advance in sugar, which not only recovered its sensation but advanced to 4 1/2c to 4 3/4c and is expected to reach the 5c mark to-day. The news that foreign countries are likely to offer a bounty on the cultivation of beet sugar may have something to do with the advance. It is believed that many and other countries have given a bounty per ton on sugar.

The manufacturers of the Dominion of Great Britain has sent word that unless these bounties are stopped the matter. It is said that the sugar trade of the West Indies was being gained by the government, urged such of Germany and Austria, hence the mandate of the British government. A great deal of sugar that comes to British Columbia is sold in the Northwest Territories, but the situation in this respect is liable to change very materially.

Big beet farms for the manufacture of sugar have been established in the Northwest Territories, and large consignments of machine refined sugar are being shipped to the sugar refineries in Ontario.

Large manufacturers of sugar in Ontario propose to sell sugar in British Columbia, as well as in the Northwest Territories. They will have no duty to pay and as there is 1 1/2c cents per bushel in the Northwest Territories, sugar and fifty cents in refined, they will have a great advantage in competition with the sugar that is produced here. There are five or six plants in Ontario where beet sugar is being manufactured, and the cost of time Canada will not be obliged to import the enormous quantities of sugar she does to-day.

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STATISTICAL WHEAT REPORT.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

	Bushels
Montreal	43,400
Toronto	19,000
Winnipeg, Ont.	32,000
Winnipeg	25,000
Port Arthur and Keewauwinist	162,000
Winnipeg elevators	2,000,000
Manitoba elevators	1,900,000
Total, July 1	2,400,000
Total, previous week	4,820,000
Total a year ago	4,450,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's, July 4, were 24,142,100 bushels, as against 23,300,000 bushels the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 26,786,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on July 1 were 1,130,000 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ending July 4, was 14,100,000 bushels, being a decrease of 1,000,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 19,000,000 bushels, 10 years ago 27,500,000 bushels, three years ago, 26,000,000 bushels, four years ago, 34,550,000 bushels, and five years ago, 34,610,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, is 482,000 bushels, compared with 1,200,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 7,400,000 bushels, compared with 10,000,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago market report.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe and other foreign ports on July 1 in each year for a series of years was as follows—Bradstreet's report:

Year	Bushels
1901	81,000,000
1902	85,000,000
1903	100,000,000
1904	120,000,000
1905	130,000,000
1906	80,000,000
1907	75,000,000
1908	120,000,000

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States wheat receiving markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1902, to date, compared with the same period of last year.

This Crop. Last crop.	
Minneapolis	87,220,000 84,068,127
St. Louis	2,077,721 10,000,000
Duluth	24,886,173 41,958,127
Chicago	25,120,440 26,250,125
Total	139,294,334 172,286,449

The following table gives 12½ cents' receipts of wheat at the four principal United States wheat receiving markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1903, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

This Crop. Last crop.	
Toronto	51,900 67,317
St. Louis	44,000 1,170,000
Detroit	1,000 8,000
Kansas City	372,700 179,000
Total	901,600 1,889,317

WESTERN GRAIN STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat at Port William and Port Arthur on Saturday, July 1, are as follows:

Port William.	
Wheat	Bushels
1 Hard	84,560
1 Northern	7,200
2 Northern	146,773
3 Northern	264,000
Other grades	99,467
Total	1,279,620
1 Hard	208,163
1 Northern	2,262
2 Northern	7,000,000
Port Arthur.	
Wheat	Bushels
1 Hard	118,420
1 Northern	14,673
2 Northern	20,735
Other grades	15,294
Total	369,122
1 Hard	30,865
1 Northern	18,411
2 Northern	20,070
Other grades	3,869,986

This figure shows a total quantity of wheat in store at the two points of 1,887,586 bushels, a 50 per cent. total increase over the 775 bushels of receipts of wheat for the week at these points, and 271,500 bushels and shipments, 28,512 bushels.

Stocks of wheat in store at Port William and Port Arthur, Ontario, and other western points are approximately 4,000,000 bushels, 5,000,000 bushels a week ago; 2,000,000 bushels a year ago; 2,700,000 bushels two years ago; 5,000,000 bushels three years ago; and 4,100,000 bushels four years ago.

The report of Manitoba, wheat stored at Duluth and London for the week ending July 13 is as follows:

Duluth.	
Previously reported	Bushels
Shipments during week	272
Bushels in store	11,881

Grain and Milling Notes.

The Brackman-Ker Company will add another storey to their oatmeal mill at Strathcona, Alberta.

Show estimates the winter crop at 440,000,000 bushels and spring wheat at 300,000,000 bushels; total, 740,000,000, and the condition of corn at about 85.

According to statistics issued by the Montreal board of trade the exports of grain from that port from the beginning of navigation to the end of June were as follows:—Wheat, 2,530,590 bushels; corn, 1,647,574 bushels; oats, 233,403 bushels; barley, 140,119 bushels; rye, 250,121 bushels; total, 7,530,877 bushels. It is estimated that there are still fifteen millions of old crop grain still awaiting shipment from the west.

The Canadian Northern Railway has awarded the contract to the Barnett & Record Company of Duluth and Minneapolis for the construction of the additional grain elevator capacity at Port Arthur, to the amount of 5,500,000 bushels, which will give that road elevator capacity at that point of 4,000,000. The contractors will proceed at once with the work. It is estimated the cost of the new elevator plant will be a million dollars. The work is to be completed before January 1.

Barlett Frazer received the following message from St. Louis, Mo.: "Through returns from principal winter wheat states central valley in nearly every instance reveal yield very far below even expectations of farmers who looked for a short yield. This is especially the case with Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and South Ohio. Reports continue to come of averages of 8, 9, 7 and 3 bushels per acre and the fact that millers in the states credited to St. Louis territory have a large stock of wheat on hand is buying here is evidence of the extreme shortage in their wheat crop."

An Indian Head, Assiniboia, correspondent in a recent letter said: "Major Bell's elevator scheme is being watched with interest by the farmers of this district. He is now erecting a plant on a special site secured from the C. P. R., a steel elevator on concrete foundation, 30,000 bushel capacity. It will be followed by others of various capacities from 12,000 to 20,000. If he meets with encouragement from the farmers, these elevators are to be leased to individual farmers at an annual rental of \$100 per bushel capacity. They can be filled and emptied any number of times during the year without any extra charge beyond the annual rental."

CANADIAN MADE.

It is a painful fact that the sale of inferior goods under the guise of first-class articles is to the increase. Every half dozen townships in older Ontario have shoddy mills, although nobody seems to know where the shoddy goes after it is manufactured. Canadian Tweeds masquerade in some tailor shops as British woolsens, solely because of a foolish prejudice against our own goods. And now The News correspondent in the States reports that "Collingwood hams are sold in the metropolitan as best Cumberland, while our toothsome Canadian hams are denied the credit which it rightfully owns, and is compelled to masquerade as English chamois." The correspondent suggests that our Canadian goods should be indelibly marked. This he points out, would compel the tricky English retailer to pay more than he does for the Canadian article. But gestured another plan. If the English cheese is being cut into—which is what cheese is for—by our product, why does not the British miller proceed to stamp it with a "made in England" stencil? That would be where he will be anxious to try to show the chicanery of the grocer, and, if he can, to prove the superiority of the stilton and the cheddar of the Old Land. No Canadian cheesemonger need fear to take up the gauntlet.—Toronto News.

The Winnipeg school board will institute sewing classes in the school for girls.

The population of Montreal is now 300,000, an increase of about 287,000 are within the city limits.

According to latest advices from London, the prospects for the opening of the ports of Boston and Portland for the shipping of cattle in the near future are being encouraging, as the importation of cattle into foreign markets from the New England States

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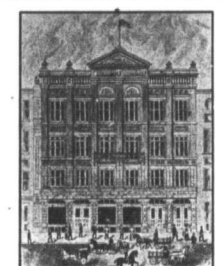
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VANCOUVER REVIEW.

Vancouver, July 13.

Vancouver is the midst of two serious strikes as the result of the mill owners refusing to supply lumber to the contractors owing to the striking mill hands... The fishermen are also on strike and although there are no fish running the strike is a serious proposition to contemplate.

The mining outlook for coast mines particularly, looks more promising. It is reported that the Britannia mines situated a few miles from Vancouver are to put on a large body of men, to work their property.

The good news comes from the "Oregon's Next Coal Co." to the effect that sufficient coal is available to supply all the B. C. smelters and the general news indicates that mining is looking up in British Columbia.

Things are quiet in the lumber and shingle world. The Loggers' Association still continues to urge the government to relieve their distress, owing to the lack of demand for logs, by allowing them to export them to the United States for the next six months. The shingle mills are still running half time until the surplus stock can be worked off.

PRICES AT VANCOUVER.

Special to The Commercial. Vancouver, July 13. Hay has declined \$2 per ton. Sheep and lambs are easier. Ontario and U.S. lower. Sugars have advanced 1/4 all around. FRESH-National Milk, 40¢ per gallon. No. 44, shorts, 42¢; No. 45, 40¢ per gallon. No. 46, Vancouver, including duty paid on imported milk, 42¢.

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B. C. Business Notes.

The ship Lord Templeton Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of \$100,000. The Barkly Sound Pulp Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of \$100,000. The grocery business conducted during the last year of J. A. Dickie at the corner of Port and Blanchard streets, Victoria, has been taken over by Wm. Bart.

The arrival of the big cargoes of steel rails for the Canadian Pacific Railway has arrived at Vancouver. The British Columbia Railway is expected to receive 2,000 tons of steel at that port.

THE EXHIBITION.

One of the best features among the exhibits at the exposition is the exhibit of the life of a fisherman. The exhibit is a model of a fisherman's life, showing the fisherman's life from the time he leaves his home in the morning to the time he returns at night. The exhibit is a model of a fisherman's life, showing the fisherman's life from the time he leaves his home in the morning to the time he returns at night.

The Attractions.

In the ring there is great activity where the stage hands are getting things in shape for the big spectacle. From Parkside to the Lower end of the city faces the centre of the grand stand. A number of the most interesting and interesting features of the production are being shown in the initial performance. The ballet, under the direction of Mr. Von Palm, has been drilled to a high degree of perfection and is perfectly capable of going through the entire performance with the most perfect assurance.

be increased owing to the pyrotechnic display which he will make during the night. Just before he starts down the chute all the lights in the ring will be extinguished leaving all the places in utter darkness. The lights along the sides of the ring will be extinguished simultaneously with his descent, and he will ride down the narrow pathway in a blaze of glory. Attached to the chute will be a net of fire, and as he dives the blaze will trail behind him like the tail of a comet.

The Music.

The following bands have been engaged for the fair, namely, the 90th band, the City band, which will play for the attractions, the A. O. U. W. band, the Forage band, the band from the hotel from Hillsboro, N. D., the Grafton band, the Souris band, and the Minneapolis Journal band, consisting of more than fifty members. It will thus be seen that the musical portion of the programme has been well looked after.

TRADE REVIEW.

New York, July 12.—Bradstreet's weekly review of trade will say to-morrow: "Well high perfect summer weather helps crops, increases confidence in fair trade, and stimulates retail and wholesale business. Speculation drops and sags, but on the whole the tendency even here is in the direction of improvement because it favors progress toward a sounder and healthier base for possible future recovery. Lower activity for many staples are really an encouraging feature, because it indicates that commerce all the world over is recovering."

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practicable under past normal conditions. "The war troubles in textile lines at Philadelphia and in building are a bar to activity in all lines affected. Sluggish tailors for the week ending with July 13, 1917 against 173 against 174 in the like week of 1916.

Canadian trade prospects are good, but there are early indications of a record breaking yield of wheat in Manitoba. Montreal reports manufacturers particularly that of cotton goods, very active. Trade orders are less numerous at Toronto, but shipping of full goods in large. Wholesale trade is active in clothing and also in British Columbia. In June of week number 13, as against 173 in this week a year ago.

R. G. DUN & CO.'S REVIEW.

R. G. DUN & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say to-morrow: "During recent months disturbing factors have been labor, controversy and weather conditions, but each week has brought better thing, in these two respects until the outlook contains much that is encouraging. Crops are making rapid progress and the army of unemployed is diminishing. Retail trade is seasonal merchandise is fully up to the average of 1916 in less than the customary midsummer quiet among wholesalers, while the prep ration of jobbers and manufacturers affords confidence in a large fall business.

Favorable conditions still exist in food and foundry pig iron markets, while business in many lines is steady. Structural steel begins to reflect the sentiment of labor troubles in the building trades. If the nature of uncertainty in the manufacture of cotton goods and clothing, the season of improvement can be expected until the artificial position of the raw materials is radically altered. Supplies of cotton goods, and first hands are low, and there is no effort to make up a deficit.

The Canadian Westinghouse Company has been incorporated in Hamilton, Ont. This is a branch of the Westinghouse air brake company. Its capital will be \$1,000,000. The present works at Hamilton will be enlarged.

Chief Justice Sir John Douglas Armour, of the supreme court of Canada, died at a member of the Alaskan boundary commission, who had been ill for some time, and recently suffered a relapse, died at the residence of his son, in London, England, on Sunday last.

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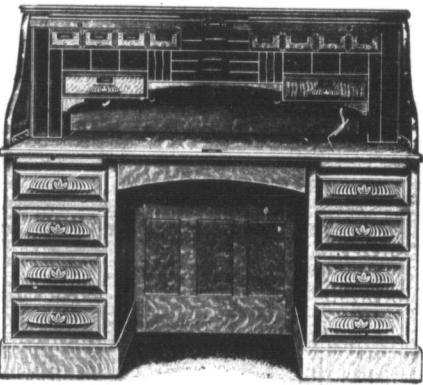



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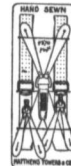
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Forest fires have been regarded as almost inevitable, and few systematic attempts have been made to prevent them, except in the States of New York, Pennsylvania and Minnesota, which have sufficient systems of fire protection.

The Bureau of Forestry has this year undertaken a thorough study of the forest fire problem in several different regions. It has placed men in



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forest districts to study fires while in the process of burning. Instead of waiting until fires are over and relying for information on local reports, as has been done heretofore, the fires are now being observed by the bureau's agents and full data will be obtained as to how they were caused, how fast they burn, what conditions favor or hinder them, and just what damage they do to the soil and to tree growth. Each agent of the bureau has been assigned to a district and is investigating all fires that occur within his territory. For example, one man studies a lumber tract, another a farming district, a third a turpentine orchard, etc.

In connection with this detailed study, the agents will observe the methods of fire protection practiced by railroads and other owners of timber lands. The fire warden systems of the states which have forest fire laws, and the patrol system in use on the federal forest reserves will also be observed closely.

By such methods the Bureau of Forestry hopes to replace with carefully gathered facts the vague general notions that now exist about forest fires. When the problem is solved for any particular region, the bureau will be ready to recommend methods of fire prevention and control for the private land-owner, and to suggest forest-fire legislation for the various states.

The investigation is now in progress in Northern Florida and Southern Alabama and Georgia, under the direction of Mr. Ernest A. Sterling, H. J. Tompkins, with a small corps of assistants. It has begun in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. Later in the season a study of forest fires will be made on the Pacific coast.

A LABOR PROBLEM.

The keen competition of 200 farmers to engage 100 newly arrived immigrants reveals one of the most serious phases of the labor problem in Ontario and the west, says the Toronto Globe. At the present time it seems probable that the farmers of Ontario will not be able to engage a sufficient force to take in the crop when harvest time comes. It is not so much a question of wages, although that may underlie this as it does all other phases of the labor problem. The difficulty will be to secure labor at one time. The farmers seem likely to suffer through the prosperous condition of the Dominion, which has been made for the encouragement of immigration among agricultural laborers. The Bureau of Forestry has this year undertaken a thorough study of the labor problem in several different regions. It has placed men in

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industries connected with the farm has lessened the need for help during the winter. The wood-lot has disappeared. We cannot expect men to remain idle all the year waiting for a call to work in the harvest fields. Every change tending to distribute the work over the year must afford relief. The adoption of mixed farming is an advantage in that respect. Farmers must seek various means of making profitable use of the services of their workmen all the year round. The erection of suitable dwellings for workmen and their families and the setting apart of garden plots may prove advantageous. The problem is to afford continuous profitable employment for a larger proportion of the necessary harvest labor, and the farmers of Ontario and the west must take it up with a full appreciation of its importance.

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