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WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 20, 1890.

## Manitoba.

Smith's sale and feed stables, at Brandon, have been purchased by J. Elliot.

Jos. Broadley, lumber dealer, Elkorn, is adding hardware and stoves to his business.

C. A. Godfrey, hardware, Killarney, has gone out of business. He has been succeeded by Thos. A. Liddle.

D. A. McArthur, hotelkeeper, Winnipeg, has left the London house, and resumed business at the St. Nicholas hotel.

Geo. Manson, dealer in groceries, boots and shoes, Shoal Lake, has added dry goods and clothing to his business.

McElrea, general merchant, Sydney, has erected a new store. It is said there is an opening for a blacksmith at that place.

Winnipeg post office was burglarized one night last week. A number of letters were opened but only a few dollars secured.

Clougher's restaurant, Winnipeg, will after the 20th inst., be under the management of W. H. Saults, formerly of the New Douglas, Winnipeg.

C. N. Bell, secretary of the Winnipeg Board of trade, will represent the board at the meeting of the dominion flour and meal examiners at Montreal.

Alex. Fraser, representing R. C. Macfie & Co., wholesale hats, furs, etc., of London, Ont., was in the city last week, and later started on his western trip.

The partnership existing between Ben. Zimmerman and S. Fenn, general dealers, Winnipeg has been dissolved. Ben. Zimmerman continues the business.

A company is applying for incorporation under the name of the Selkirk Electric company, for the purpose of establishing a system of electric lighting for the town of Selkirk.

A proposal has been received by the Winnipeg city council from Ross, Holt & Co., to construct the works necessary to make available the water power of the Assiniboine river at Winnipeg.

THE COMMERCIAL last week published an item from the Emerson Times about high express rates. The Times now acknowledges that it was in error. Through an oversight the value of the goods was added to the express rate.

Word has been received here from Ottawa, says the Winnipeg Free Press, of Thursday last, that the Northwest Central railway company has decided to operate the completed fifty miles of its line from Chatoor to Arrowton this winter. A train service will probably be inaugurated next week. A mixed train will likely be run three times weekly each way.

Green & Sons Co., of Montreal, men's furnishings, etc., are already looking after the spring trade of western Canada. The celebrated Dr. Jaeger's woolen underwear, solely handled in Canada by this house, is already becoming quite popular in the west. This year the house has a new novelty, the "health hat," patented. S. C. Matthews, western representative of the company, arrived from the east last week.

Notice is given that D. E. Sprague, lumber merchant; H. S. Holt, contractor; F. J. Bowles, contractor; Wm. Clougher, inn-keeper; W. D. Taylor, agent; and L. W. Coutlee, barrister, of Winnipeg, will apply for incorporation, as the "Northwest Opera House Company," with the object of building and maintaining opera houses, music halls, and theatres. The business of the company is to be carried on at such places as shall be determined upon in Manitoba, the chief place of business to be in Winnipeg; the capital stock to be \$49,000, in 490 shares of \$100 each.

The last Manitoba Gazette contains a notice of application for the incorporation of the Walthew Manufacturing Company. The applicants are W. D. Douglas, the well-known proprietor of the Leland House, Winnipeg; also J. C. Philip, John Leslie and T. W. Leslie, of Winnipeg; and J. P. Walthew, of Emerson. The purpose of the company is to manufacture an improved bed-bottom, known as Dr. Dickson's health bed rest. The bed is a very simple contrivance, but it has only to be seen to at once show its advantages over the wire spring rests now in common use. The bed rest consists of a long roll of strong canvas doubled, which is attached to two wooden rollers at the head of the bed and stretches down to the foot, where it passes around another roller and back again. Owing to its lightness it can be easily handled and requires but a moment to adjust it. Owing to its construction it will not sag, and there is no limit to its increase of tension. The headquarters of the company will be at Winnipeg, and it is expected it will become quite an industry here.

## Alberta.

Owen Copas will open business at Calgary as a tea and coffee merchant.

Thomas J. Binskin, tobacconist, Calgary died suddenly last week, in a fit.

Malcolm McKenzie has purchased the Russell House property at Lothbridge.

The contract for the erection of the \$10,000 hospital at Lethbridge has been awarded to Wm. Henderson, of Regina.

The Edmonton Bulletin says that the German colony now located near Dunmore, Assa, will move to the Edmonton district.

Monday last, Oct. 6, says the Lethbridge News, was the largest days output in the history of the coal mines here, 720 tons of the best coal having been mined and every ton was shipped away the same day.

J. Herbert Mason, president of the Canada Permanent Loan and Savings Company, of Toronto, says the Calgary Herald, has decided to advise his society to establish an agency at Calgary. He has made a survey of Calgary and its surroundings and has satisfied himself that there is a good field for investment here.

Calgary Herald says: There are lying at the railway station, awaiting transportation to Brandon, some remarkable large and fine pieces of stone. The fine building stone found at Calgary is one of the advantageous features of that place, and in time no doubt a large trade will be done in shipping this stone to all parts of the country.

The mounted police contract for oats has been let to W. Fielders, for Edmonton district, at 38 cents and to Jelllette & Ottewell, for Fort Saskatchewan, at 39 cents. The potato contract has been let to D. Doss, for Edmonton, at 35 cents, and to Moret & Lamoureux, for Fort Saskatchewan, at 44 cents. The bran contract has been let to G. Hutton, of St. Albert, at 1 1/2 cent.—Edmonton Bulletin.

There are now, says the Montreal Gazette, at the Canadian Pacific Railway stock yards 248 head of fine Hereford cattle, bred and raised on the Cochrane ranch, in Alberta Territory. The condition of these cattle is excellent, and practically demonstrates the advantage of breeding from imported stock. This lot comprise the first receipts of a shipment of about 1,000 head which are being forwarded to Great Britain by Robert Bickerdike for the company.

The Macleod Gazette complains of the policy of the Dominion Government concerning the petroleum territory discovered in the Crows Nest pass and vicinity west of that place. It says: "At present there is a very general feeling that their policy is to throw every possible obstacle in the way of those who have taken up claims. The brilliant result of all this is a regulation recently sprung upon claim holders that they must swear there is petroleum on their claims. The absurdity of such an affidavit is apparent."

## Assiniboia.

I. R. Reilly & Co., have been awarded the contract for erecting the new Bank of Montreal building at Regina, and excavating for the foundation has been commenced.

The C. A. C. & C. Co.'s stables at Stair were burned on October 10. One mare and other contents were lost. The supposed cause of the fire was spontaneous combustion of hay.

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#### Victoria Board of Trade.

At the quarterly meeting of the B. C. board of trade of Victoria, the following was presented as a synopsis of the matters dealt with in an interview between the council of the board and the minister of public works, during his recent visit to Victoria.

Memo.—Victoria harbor—more liberal expenditure in consideration of the constantly increasing trade and shipping. Dredging on a more improved and modern scale and plan, both with a view to utility and economy, and in view of the obsolete character of the dredge now in use. Dredging approach to new wharves in outer harbor. General enlargement of Victoria harbor system by constructing a sea wall extending from Brochie Ledge to Ho Land point. [Note:—Suggestion already made to department that Government Engineer should report approximately on this scheme, which, if carried out, would furnish the finest harbor on the Pacific coast.]

Lights, Beacons, and Buoys.—Continued neglect of the department to oft repeated reports, re this much needed work, particularly on the coast of Vancouver Island, north of Nanaimo.

Telegraphs.—No alternative line connecting with United States systems; sanction of Government asked thereto. Present system unsatisfactory and monopolized by railway company.

Graving dock, Esquimalt.—Lengthening of present dock to meet the growing requirements of shipping.

Powder Magazine, Beacon Hill Park.—Suggest that Minister of Militia order removal at once of this dangerous obstruction.

General.—Referring to general contributions of revenue made by Victoria to the Dominion exchequer.

A communication was received from J. Wilson, superintendent of C. P. R. telegraph company, requesting that he be furnished with a detailed statement of the board's complaint against the telegraph service.

Mr. Ward remarked that the frequent interruptions to connections and the bad delivery service were two points. The communication was referred to the council.

A communication was ordered to be addressed to the minister of customs, requesting that instructions be given to have the board furnished with monthly statements containing statistical information, as forwarded to the government.

A communication was presented from Elmer Minnick, of the Northern Pacific railway, asking for all information in possession of the board regarding the attractions and advantages of Vancouver Island.

Nineteen new members were nominated as follows: Henry Croft, M. P. P., Beaumont Beggs, T. W. Carter, Fred. J. Claxton, C. E. Mallette, E. E. Blackwood, J. A. Johnston, J. E. Crane, Joshua Holland, Dr. G. L. Milne, M. P. P., Chris. Spencer, John Braden, Wm. Jensen, W. H. Bone, Wm. Templeman, Morris Moss, R. Erskine, F. Elworthy, and Gus Leiser.

A lengthy discussion took place on the question of advertising the city. The president urged the careful consideration of the matter before any action was taken, and a resolution, introduced by Heistman and Routledge was finally passed favoring the preparation of a souvenir volume of Victoria, and leaving the matter for consideration in the hands of the council.

#### Activity in Dried Fruit.

The Montreal Gazette of October 10 says: "An active business in dried foreign fruit to arrive has been one of the features of the week, the bulk of the Dracona's cargo having been already turned over, and beyond one lot which the importer is holding there is very little in first hands. It seems, therefore, as if those jobbers who have been holding off for more favorable terms would be disappointed. The Dracona, which is now at Quebec, brings out about 63,495 half boxes and 600 quarter boxes of Valencias, which, as we have said, have been pretty well cleaned out of first hands; except the lots that were imported by jobbers direct. The Escalona, which was delayed at Cadiz and which sailed on the 3rd, has only 30,000 boxes, while the Florence, the last direct steamer, now loading at Denia, is only expected to bring moderate supplies. Therefore the total direct importations of Valencia fruit into Canada will fall far short of the average. On the other hand our

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consumption is increasing yearly and is now estimated at 300,000 packages. It would seem therefore as if the stock would run light this fall. The Escalona will not arrive until the end of November, and the Florence some time in November, so that there is a possibility of fruit being wanted before they arrive. The basis on which business to arrive has been done is 6 to 6½ as a rule, although some who got frightened offered for less and are sorry now that they did so. One dealer has cleared out the balance of his lot of ordinary to arrive at 19s 6d and his layers at 2½ 6d ex Dracona. There are a few thousand boxes of currants also on board of her which have been selling at about 5½ to 6c. Otherwise there is no change.

#### Canned Salmon.

The London, England, Grocer says of salmon: "The position of the market for salmon at the moment is certainly stronger, and bids of 1s to 1s 6d per case over the reduced quotations lately ruling have been refused for several large lines, so that purchasers for immediate consumption cannot now execute their orders on the same basis as before." Commenting on this paragraph from the Grocer, the New York Commercial Bulletin says: "Add to this the fact that English buyers have purchased considerable new Columbia river and British Columbia fish, and also some Alaskan for forward delivery, and reason may be found for venturing the statement that the surplus stock of 1899 pack in the market will not go as far as some authorities on both sides of the Atlantic predicted not long ago. Within three days time there have been orders here by cable for some specially favored Columbia river brands for immediate shipment to Liverpool direct via rail and steamer at the highest prices of the season, and fairly liberal quantities of British Columbia stock have also been taken at full prices for shipment via Montreal. As far as export movement is concerned, the market would thus appear to be in very fair shape, and the home trade movement is certainly not discouraging, although showing no particular animation at the moment."

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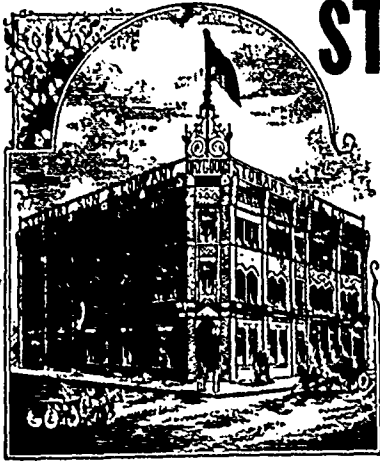
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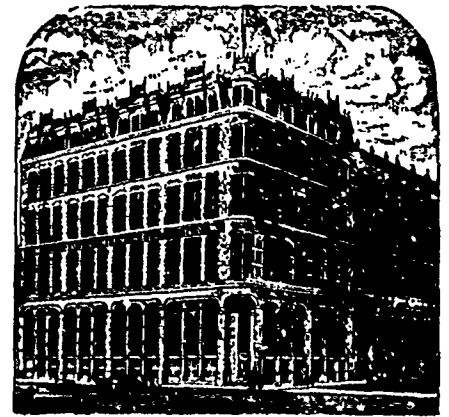
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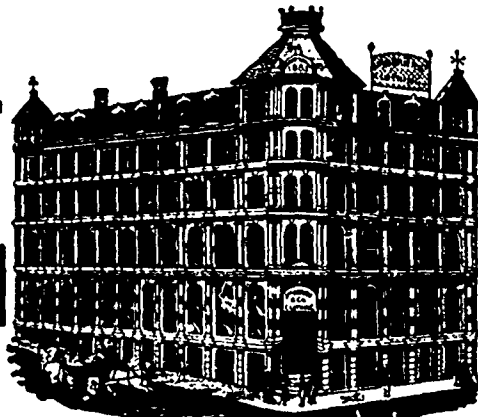
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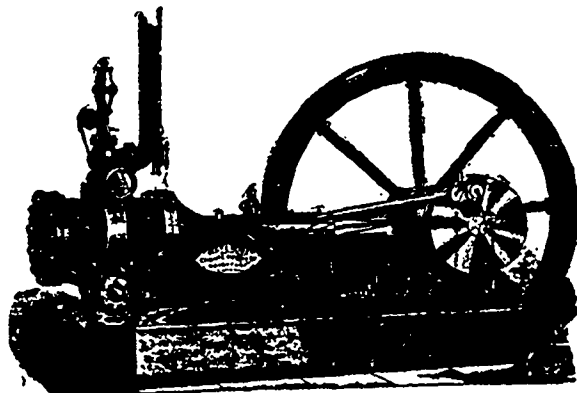
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## DUTIES ON IMPORTS FROM BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

In an article headed "Canada and the United States," *Bradstreet's* journal, of New York, usually a very reliable authority, makes a very serious blunder. That journal in speaking of the new tariff says: "The Canadian tariff is directed against us," that is the United States. This is a very erroneous impression, though one which prevails to a considerable extent in the United States. *Bradstreet's* has not analyzed the Canadian tariff, or it would come to quite a different conclusion. *THE COMMERCIAL* several months ago pointed out that the Canadian tariff discriminated very severely against the United Kingdom as compared with the United States.

It could be claimed with a great deal more show of reason, that the McKinley tariff was arranged to discriminate against Canada, though *THE COMMERCIAL* does not take this view of the case. The Canadian tariff was framed first as a matter of political expediency, and secondly, wisely or not, as a means of encouraging home industries. As a matter of political expediency, it afforded a party out of power a means of gaining office, and by this means the party has continued to hold office for years. With a view to encouraging home industries the tariff has been amended from year to year, just the same as has been the case in the United States. In order to prevail with the strongest type of British sentiment in Canada, which would favor the admission of British goods on more favorable terms than imports from other countries, as well as to conciliate the feeling against the tariff in Great Britain as much as possible, it was proclaimed at the outset that the tariff was intended to discriminate against the United States, on account of the duties imposed by that country on exports from Canada.

The statements that the tariff would discriminate against the United States was made for political purposes, but the impression made by these statements, though false, has remained to the present day.

As soon as the party which originated the high tariff policy came into power, a tariff was framed which practical experience has shown, discriminates against the United Kingdom, and in favor of the United States. That this is the case is due to conditions existing in the trade relationship of the countries, and not to any intentional discrimination in any direction. The Canadian tariff, it has just been stated, was intended to encourage home industries. As our imports from the United Kingdom are more in the line of manufactured goods, while imports from the United States represent large quantities of raw material, products, etc., it follows that the tariff will fall more heavily upon imports from the former country.

Our customs returns show plainly that the tariff discriminates against the United King-

dom. For the fiscal year 1888, Canada imported goods from Great Britain to the value of \$30,433,817, upon which duties to the amount of \$8,972,740 were collected. In the same year imports from the United States was \$15,513,790 upon which duties to the amount of \$7,100,231 were collected. This shows customs collections to have been nearly \$2,000,000 greater on imports from Great Britain than on imports from the Republic, though the total value of imports from the Republic was about \$16,000,000 greater than imports from Great Britain. In other words, 40 per cent. of the total duties collected by Canada in 1888 were on imports from Great Britain, while on a much larger amount of imports from the United States, only 32 per cent of our total duties were collected.

The figures for 1889 tell the same tale. On imports from Great Britain to the value of \$42,249,555, duties were collected to the amount of \$9,450,243, or 40 per cent. of the total duties collected in Canada for that year. On imports from the United States to the value of \$50,368,990, duties were collected to the amount of \$7,371,148, or 32 per cent. of the total duties collected for the year on imports from all countries. This shows the average rate of duty on imports from Great Britain to be about one-third higher than on imports from the Republic.

These figures should be sufficient to counteract the absurd idea prevalent in the United States that the Canadian tariff is especially directed against that country. If the Canadian tariff were entitled "an act to destroy trade with the mother country and extend it with the United States," it would be more in keeping with the facts of the case, than is the idea that the tariff discriminates in any way against the Republic.

## BUTTER.

Storekeepers at some points in Manitoba are paying higher prices for butter than the same commodity is worth in eastern markets. Manitoba appears to be making progress backward in the butter line, judging from the falling off in receipts. No doubt the lower prices this year discouraged some from making much butter earlier in the season. However, unless the butter trade is more satisfactory than it has been in the past, it will not be much loss if the quantity made in the country does drop off considerably. The only way to have the butter trade put on a good footing is to make only choice quality, and those who cannot or will not make good butter might just as well stop at once. Butter is too plentiful a commodity and there are too many competitors in the field, to allow of palming off poor stuff. Unless we make a good quality of butter, there is little use in endeavoring to work up a shipping trade, beyond local requirements.

One result of the expected short make of dairy butter this summer will be to encourage cheese factories and creameries, and this will be a decided improvement. Wherever the factory can be introduced to supplant the home mode of making butter the better it will be. Still in a thinly populated country like Manitoba, factories cannot be made to pay in many sections, and if butter is made at all in the more sparsely settled parts, it will have to be made by individual settlers. There is noth-

ing to hinder such settlers, if they will take the trouble, from making a quality of butter that will be readily marketable at a remunerative price. Farmers could readily put on ice during the winter for use the following summer, which would be a great assistance to them in making good butter. There has been some improvement of late years in the average quality of dairy-made butter, but there is still much need of further progress in the same direction.

## POTATOES.

Vegetables of all kinds have produced an enormous yield in Manitoba this year, the potato crop being especially very large. Potatoes are not an important crop in Manitoba in point of the area devoted to the crop. The large yield this year has made the supply considerably in excess of home requirements. The principal potato section is in that portion of the province adjacent to the Red river, especially in the vicinity of Winnipeg. Settlers close to the city have a ready market for a considerable quantity of garden stuff, and consequently more attention is devoted to vegetables in the Winnipeg districts than in any other parts of the province.

This year there was a great rush just before the new tariff came into force in the United States, to ship potatoes into that country so as to get them over the boundary before the date fixed for the higher tariff to come into force. Within the two or three weeks previous to the enforcement of the higher duties, over 100 cars of potatoes were shipped from Manitoba to the States, the bulk of these going from Winnipeg and other points in the vicinity of the city. The very unfavorable weather which delayed harvesting so long this year, operated to hinder the shipment of potatoes, as farmers had not time to gather their crops. Had the weather been favorable, the quantity of potatoes shipped before the higher duties came into force would have been very much larger. The duty has now been increased from 15 to 25 cents per bushel, and this has had the effect of about stopping shipments for the present. It is not likely that any considerable quantity, in addition to what has been already exported, will now be shipped before winter sets in. In the spring, with higher prices likely to rule, there may be further shipments of potatoes to the States, notwithstanding the high duties.

The average yield of potatoes in Manitoba this year is estimated at between 300 and 400 bushels per acre, and the quality good. The price realized by growers at Winnipeg, was from 25 to 35 cents per bushel, the bulk having been purchased at about 30 cents per bushel. This would make the crop very profitable to the growers, the value per acre being between \$90 and \$100 as compared with an average value of wheat of probably not greater than \$15 per acre. The cost of growing potatoes is probably not any greater if as great as wheat, so that the profit would be vastly in favor of the potatoes. Nevertheless nine out of ten Manitoba farmers would probably prefer to grow wheat alone, rather than "bother" with any other crops. A crop of potatoes is an excellent change for land, and the wonder is that they have not been



more largely grown in past years. The disadvantage in growing the crop is the uncertainty of a market. Much larger quantities, however, could be used at home to advantage. Manitoba is importing and paying duty upon thousands of dollars worth of cured hog products every year, which should be produced at home. The supply of hogs this year is not even sufficient for the home demand for using fresh. Potatoes and barley make excellent feed for hogs, and with the large yield of both these crops in this province, it is a shame that so much money is going out of the country for hog products. Our farmers evidently need a few lessons in thrift and economy.

### THE LUMBER DUTY.

Though the new tariff bill recently adopted in the United States is generally unfavorable to Canada, it is not uniformly unfavorable in its provisions. An exception is apparent in the case of the lumber duties. The duty on lumber is reduced one half, from \$2 to \$1 per thousand feet. Canada, however, imposes an export duty of \$2 per thousand feet on logs. This was done in order to stop the exportation of logs mainly from the Lake Huron and Georgian Bay region to Michigan, and force the manufacture of the logs at home. The new United States tariff provided that any country imposing an export duty on logs could not have the benefit of the reduction in the duty. So far as the United States is concerned, the duty was reduced on lumber to appease the demand for cheaper material in this line, and in order to force Canada to remove the export duty on logs, it was provided that our lumbermen could not take advantage of the reduced duty until this was done. The bait was thus hung dangling before our eyes, and the Dominion Government have not been slow to make a move in the matter. Last week the news came from Ottawa that a proclamation had been issued removing the export duty on logs. This is no doubt the wise policy for our government to pursue in this matter. The lumber trade is none too flourishing just now, and there would have been a great outcry if our government had refused to allow our lumbermen to take advantage of the lower duties in exporting to the United States. The removal of the export duty on logs will benefit Canadian lumbermen in two ways. It will first permit of their taking advantage of the lower duty; and secondly, it will take some of the pressure off the home market, by allowing the export of logs to the States, which would otherwise be sawn for the home market.

So far as the export of logs is concerned, it appears that Canada imports more logs from the United States than she exports to that country. While logs are exported from portions of Ontario, they are imported from the state of Minnesota for our mills on the Lake of the Woods, and also imported into New Brunswick. Therefore it seemed unwise to place an export duty on logs, as it might provoke retaliation of the same nature on the United States. The new tariff reduces the duty on white pine shingles from 35 to 20 cents per thousand, and on other shingles the rate is reduced 5 cents to 30 cents; and on timber hewn or sawn, the

duty is reduced from twenty per cent. to ten per cent. Squared timber is reduced from 1 to  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent per foot.

### UNITED STATES CROPS.

The last official crop report from Washington gives the yield per acre for the entire country, as follows: Winter wheat, 10.8 bushels per acre; spring wheat, 11.5; the wheat crop, 11.1; oats, 19.8; barley, 21; rye, 11.8 bushels. The effect of last winter frosts upon wheat is shown by the low rate of yield to have been severe. The figure would have been lower but for the reduction of area by plowing and planting of the worst fields in other crops. The yield of wheat in Dakota varies from a bushel or two to twenty-five bushels, making an average of nine bushels per acre, Minnesota returns 12 and Wisconsin 12.5 bushels per acre. The estimated yield of oats of 19.8 bushels per acre for the whole country is the lowest ever reported. The indicated yield of oats by the Government crop report is for a little over 500,000,000 bushels. The report points to a probable wheat crop of about 403,000,000 bushels, including nearly 251,000,000 bushels of winter and nearly 152,000,000 bushels of spring. It indicates that the total wheat crop of Minnesota and the Dakotas will be about 82,000,000 bushels. Last year they yielded in the aggregate 87,103,000 bushels and in 1888 65,917,000 bushels. The yield per acre of corn is equivalent to a total crop of about 1,555,000,000 bushels.

The final returns for the United States show the general condition of crops to be quite as poor as has been indicated by earlier reports. Canada will come out a long way ahead of the United States this year in the leading cereal crops. The following table, giving the official estimates of the yield per acre of the crops named, in the United States, as compared with the provinces of Manitoba and Ontario, will be of interest:—

	United States.	Ontario.	Manitoba.
Fall wheat.....	10.8	20.6	
Spring wheat.....	11.5	16.0	24.6
Barley.....	21.0	23.3	34.3
Oats.....	19.8	30.1	41.3

### WHEAT VALUES.

Some time ago THE COMMERCIAL ventured to suggest that the large wheat crop, of fine quality, which has been gathered in Ontario this year, would have the effect of curtailing the demand for Manitoba wheat from the millers of that province, for mixing purposes. Manitoba wheat, THE COMMERCIAL stated, would therefore not likely bring a price this year in advance of its export value, as has been the case in some past years. One of our smaller provincial exchanges gave this journal a sound belaboring on account of the paragraph referred to, stating that it was written with the object of bearing wheat, in the interest of the grain trade. Just here we might say that the support THE COMMERCIAL receives from the grain trade is trifling, and were it vastly greater than it is, it would not have any influence in inducing this journal to deviate from its course in its efforts to fill the position of an impartial commercial authority.

Now it happens that an eastern commercial authority, the *Montreal Journal of Commerce*,

in an article last week upon wheat values makes substantially the same statements as were made in this journal some time ago. The *Montreal paper* says in effect, that eastern millers will want but little Manitoba wheat this year, on account of the large crop of fine wheat which they have at home. On this account, the *Journal of Commerce* believes, that prices "in Manitoba will be fixed by export value to a greater extent than usual."

The increase in the flour duties last winter it is evident will be of no value to Manitoba farmers this year. Were the quantity of wheat grown in Canada considerably less than home requirements, the duty would increase the cost of flour and wheat, but with a surplus of wheat over home requirements, it is difficult to see wherein the wheat and flour duties are of much advantage to the grower, though of course it is some benefit to the miller to have exclusive control of the home market.

### FIRES AT THRESHINGS.

It is time that something was invented in the line of furnishing power for threshing machines, which would be less dangerous in the direction of freedom from fire. The quantity of property destroyed every year by fire at threshings must be very great. No sooner has the threshing season commenced, than reports of the destruction of grain and sometimes other property from fires, begin to come in. No doubt many of these fires are caused by carelessness, or lack of proper knowledge on the part of the operators of the machinery. Still, even with the best of care, the danger must be very great. In dry weather a stray spark from the engine will readily ignite the stacks of grain. In regard to the operators of the machinery, there is complaint that they are not always qualified to take charge of the engines. The wisdom of having properly qualified men is very apparent, and it has even been intimated that the legislature should interfere to prevent the operation of threshing engines by other than parties who had passed an examination entitling them to undertake such work. The difficulty in the way of such a regulation is the scarcity of men, and were anything of this nature enforced, it might interfere with getting the crops threshed out in reasonable time. The owner of the threshing machine usually loses his property as well as the farmer for whom he is threshing in case of a fire. This is probably a very good feature, as it will make threshers more careful. But notwithstanding this, many fires could no doubt be avoided if threshers exercised every possible care.

### WINNIPEG'S HIGH ASSESSMENT.

Last week in these columns, comment was made upon a paragraph from the *Ottawa Citizen* speaking of the effects of the real estate "boom" of 1881-82 in Winnipeg, and of the fact that the assessed value of the city was too high. The *Citizen* said among other things that "Winnipeg is by far the most over-assessed city in Canada, and it is probable that there is no other city on the continent where property is placed at so high a nominal value." THE COMMERCIAL endorsed the statement of the *Citizen* to the extent that in many instances the assessed value of property in Winnipeg is far

to high, and said "Some properties have been assessed for years in Winnipeg for municipal purposes, for from ten to fifty per cent more than they would sell for." Since last week an instance has come to the knowledge of the writer which shows that it was putting it very mild to say that some properties were assessed for from ten to fifty per cent more than their value. In one case it has been learned that a property was assessed for just five times the value at which it was sold. The purchaser appealed to the civic authorities and by considerable exertion had the assessment reduced one-fifth, leaving it still four times the amount of the purchase price. The purchase price may have been low, but even allowing something for this, the difference is too great. Winnipeg real estate has certainly been assessed too high for years. This may suit the interests of a few speculators, but it is not in the interest of the city in general, as it permits of greater extravagance in running the municipal machine.

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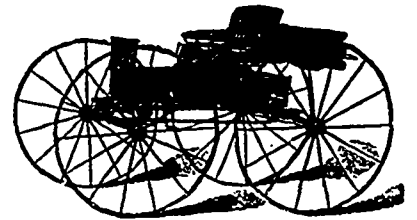
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**WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.**

The outlook is still one of waiting. The grain movement has not assumed sufficient volume to put much money in circulation and the bad weather will cause further delay. Money is about as close as ever, and present indications do not point to any change, the conditions being unfavorable for a lively movement of grain for some little time.

**WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.**

Last week was very discouraging to those who have been looking for a brisk business, following a lively movement of grain. The very unfavorable weather put a damper on business. With an almost incessant drizzle for the past ten days, business in the country was practically stopped. The grain delivery which was only commencing to be large, has been stopped, and as country roads must be in very bad shape, the movement must be small for some time. Besides, it is now so late in the season that farmers will have to hurry their plowing, and until frost puts a stop to this work a large grain movement cannot be looked for. In the meantime cash will be scarce. The bad weather has been felt most in branches such as lumber and building supplies, as it has stopped outdoor work, and will delay considerable contemplated work till next spring. Receipts of country produce have also been very light, on account of the wet weather.

**DRIED FRUITS.**

The first direct steamer has arrived at Montreal with valencies, and a sharp demand for the fruit set in, at good prices, with future prospects firm. Sales to jobbers from the cargo were at about 6 to 6½c. Dried and evaporated apples are firm. Prices are: California London layer raisins, \$3.00 per box, do. ¼ boxes, \$1.00; Valencia raisins, \$2.75 to \$2.80 per box; Valencia layer raisins, \$3.25 per box; currants, 7c per lb.; dried apples, 8 to 3½c per lb., evaporated apples, 14½c; choice new Eleme figs in 10 lb. boxes, 16c per lb.; choice figs, 13c per lb.; fancy Eleme layer figs, 20 lb boxes, 18c per lb.; figs in 1 lb cartoons, per doz., \$1.75; golden dates, in 50 lb. boxes, 9c per lb.; California evaporated fruit—apricots, 22 to 24c per lb.; peeled peaches, 27 to 30c per lb.; pitted plums, 13c; raspberries, 35c; prunes, 8 to 11c per lb. as to quality, the higher quotation for choice of best varieties; nectarines, 21 to 23c.

**GREEN FRUITS.**

Fall varieties of apples are getting short, but the market is well supplied with winter stock. Anything good is held firm at \$5.00 per barrel for winter fruit, with a probable early advance. Fall fruit may be obtained a little lower. Oregon pears are firmer. Ontario fruit, except apples, are getting short. Grapes are still obtainable. California peaches are scarce. Quotations are: Apples \$4 to \$5 a barrel; Louisiana oranges, \$9.50 a box. Jamaica oranges \$8.50 per box. Lemons, Messina \$9.00 to \$10 per box. Bananas, scarce and firm at \$3.50 to \$4.50 per bunch for choice. Ontario tomatoes, in 20 lb baskets, 75 per basket. California peaches, \$2.50 per box; California pears, \$4 per box; Oregon pears, in 40 lb boxes, \$4.25 per box; Ontario pears, 75c to 80c per 20 lb baskets; California grapes, \$2.25 to \$2.75 per crate as to variety; Ontario grapes are quoted at 4 to 6c per pound, as to

variety and quality. Crab apples, \$6 per barrel. Wisconsin cranberries, \$10 to \$10.50 per barrel.

**FISH AND OYSTERS.**

The variety of fresh fish is still limited. First arrivals of finnen haddy are expected to-day. White fish are in large supply, at 6c per pound. Pickerel is worth about 4c. Lake Superior trout 8c per pound. British Columbia halibut is obtainable at 15c. Salmon was out of the market, and normal at 15c. Oysters are worth \$2.50 per gallon. Smoked whitefish is held at 10c lb.

**GROCERIES.**

Teas are reported quieter, recent active buying having apparently supplied present wants. Prices are well maintained. In sugars there is nothing new to note. Considerable strength is reported in canned goods from the east, fruits and vegetables being especially strong, with holders claiming that prices must advance, as they say the pack is short. Canned salmon has an improved feeling. Prices are: Sugars, yellow, 6½ to 7 as to quality; granulated, 7½ to 8; lumps \$7 to 9c. Coffees, green,—Rios, from 24 to 25c; Java, 27 to 29c; Old Government, 29 to 32c; Mochas, 33 to 35c. Teas: Japan, 23 to 46c; Congous, 22 to 80c; Indian teas, 35 to 60c; yound hyson, 26 to 50c. T. & B. tobacco, 56c per pound; lilly, 7s, 52c; diamond solacs, 12s, 48c; P. of W., butts 47c; P. of W., caddies, 47½c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c; Brier, 7s, 53c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 56c; Index d thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunette Solace, 12s, 48c. McAlpine Tobacco Co's plug tobacco: Old Crow, 46c; Woodcock, 52c; Beaver, 63c; Jubilee, 69c; Ancho, 59c; cut tobacco: Silver Ash, 65c; Cut Cavendish, 70c; Senator, 80c; Standard Kentucky, light, 85; do dark, 80c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40; Terrier, \$30 per 1000. Mauricio, \$42.50; Soudau Whips, \$40.00; Turkish Caps, \$35.00; Commercial Traveller, \$25. Lion "L" brand mixed pickles in kegs, are quoted: Three gallons, \$2.50; do five gallons, \$3.50; do 10 gallon kegs, \$8.50.

**HARDWARE.**

The situation in hardware is firm, but quotations are unchanged on the spot. There has been some nervousness and irregular prices in a speculative way in British markets, due to the financial stringency, but cash values have been steadier. Iron and tin plates are strong, and there have been advances east. Prices here are:—Cut nails 10d, and upwards, \$3.25; I. C. tin plates, \$5.75 to \$6.25 astograde; I. C. tin plates double, \$11.75 to \$12.50; Canada plates, \$4 to \$4.15; sheet iron, \$4.25 to \$5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, net prices, 1 inch, 10½c; 1½ inch, \$13½c; 1½ inch, \$16½c; 2inch, 25½c per foot; ingot tin, 30c per lb; bar tin, 31c per pound; sheet zinc, 7½ and 8c per lb.; galvanized iron, 28 gauge, 7½ to 8½c lb; bar iron, \$3.50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6 to 6½c per lb.; tarred felt \$2.30 to \$2.40 per 100 lbs.; barbed wire, 6½ nett.

**PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.**

The unfavorable weather interferes seriously with business, and will shorten the fall trade. Leads are strong and have advanced outside, but are unchanged here. Quotations here are as follows: Turpentine in barrels, 76c per gallon; in 5 gallon cans, 81c gallon; linseed oil in barrels, raw 80; boiled 83c; benzine and gasoline, 50c; pure oxido paints, in barrels, 90c per gallon; coal tar \$6 a barrel; Portland cement,

\$4.90 a barrel; Michigan plaster, \$3.25 a barrel; putty, in bladders, 3½ a pound, bulk in barrels, 3c; whitening in barrels, \$1.50 a cwt; Crown pure white lead, \$7.25; Royal Chartor, \$6.75; Railroad, \$6.25; Elephant pure white lead, \$7.25; Elephant No. 1. do., \$8.25; Bulls head do., \$3.75; Calsomine, \$6 per 100 pounds; Alabastine, \$7.25 per case of 20 packages. Window Glass, first break, \$2.10.

**WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKETS.**

**WINNIPEG.**

**WHEAT**

The general situation in wheat has been irregular. The drop of 2c per bushel at Chicago on Saturday, October 11, was followed by a recovery on Monday and Tuesday, but another drop of about 1c was experienced on Wednesday. On Friday there was a sharp upward movement again at Chicago, prices on that day closing about 1½c higher. The visible supply on Monday showed an increase of 650,000 bushels. The amount on ocean passage decreased 2,168,000 bushels, making the available supply 37,933,867 bushels, against 36,123,395 bushels for the corresponding date last year, and 55,860,245 bushels two years ago. British markets were 3 to 9d higher per quarter on Monday than a week ago, on foreign wheats. This advance in the face of the very heavy imports, shows a very strong undertone. Deliveries of home-grown wheat in British markets have been very heavy, and receipts from abroad remarkably large. Shipments from Russia and the Danubian provinces of Europe are showing up large, though there was a decline in the movement from these ports last week. Cables on Tuesday were again ½ to 1d higher. Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis were something over 400 cars per day, while Duluth was getting between 200 and 300 cars per day. Manitoba No. 2 hard sold at Toronto last week at about \$1.11 to \$1.12, to arrive.

The local situation in wheat has been marked by practically a complete cessation of all business. The continued wet weather during the first six days of the week, effectually put a stop to the grain movement, just as it was beginning to assume some proportion. No threshing could be done last week, and on some days of the previous week nothing could be done on account of the wet. Grain has therefore been practically at a standstill. To-day, (Saturday, Oct. 18), has come out clear for the first time in ten days. Country roads must be in bad shape, so that deliveries will be light, even with favorable weather for the immediate future. It is also so late in the season that farmers will be obliged to push their fall plowing, and a brisk grain movement cannot be expected until it freezes up. In some sections very little threshing has been done yet. Besides stopping the threshing and delivery of wheat, the wet is likely to have caused further injury to badly stacked grain. In some instances grain was still standing in shock. When the dry weather set in some farmers thought it had come to stay, and they left their grain in shock intending to thresh it without stacking and in the meantime they went on with their plowing. A week or ten days of almost constant rain, mixed with snow, will not improve grain in shock. Prices were easier during the week, though largely nominal. About 80c was the highest quotation reported from any country market, for best

samples, with the average quality worth about 60 to 65c per bushel. The inspector's returns up to October 11, show only one car of No. 1 hard inspected at Winnipeg so far this season. The average quality is something between No. 2 northern and No. 3 hard.

#### FLOUR.

The mills have obtained considerable new wheat and are now about all in operation, though if the wet weather continues long, supplies of wheat may again run short at some points. Quotations in jobbing lots to the local trade are now as follows:—Patents, \$2.90; strong bakers', \$2.70; second bakers', \$2.20 to \$2.40; XXXX, \$1.40; superfine, \$1.20; middlings, \$2.90; Graham flour, \$2.70 per 100 pounds.

#### MILLSTUFFS.

Bran and shorts hold at the decline noted last week. Prices are still considered high, and are likely to go lower soon, as with a plentiful crop of coarse grains, the demand will be lighter. Bran is quoted at \$13 and shorts at \$15 per ton, to the trade in small lots.

#### MEALS.

Prices are as follows: Oatmeal, standard \$2.60; granulated, \$2.70 per 100 pounds; rolled oats, \$2.70 per sack of 80 pounds; Cornmeal is held at \$1.50 per 100 lbs. Pot barley, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

#### GROUND FEED.

Feed is quoted at \$22 to \$23 per ton as to quality.

#### OATS.

Oats were temporarily higher last week. The bad weather practically put a stop to deliveries on the local farmers' market, and high prices were paid, the few offered selling between 30 and 34c per bushel. At the oatmeal mill 32 to 34c was paid for good milling qualities. On track there was scarcely anything doing, only one car being reported offered up to Friday, and held at 30c, with 23 offered. It would appear from this that the quantity of oats marketed so far at country points is light. About 25c was the usual price to farmers in outside provincial markets, with a few cents higher paid at some points.

#### BARLEY.

Practically nothing offering, but average quality not worth much more than oats. Anything fit for malting will bring a fair price for local brewers use.

#### BEANS AND SPLIT PEAS.

White beans are jobbing at \$2.25 per bushel in small lots. Split peas are held in the same way \$2.75 per 100 pounds.

#### BUTTER.

The local market is firm, and the situation has been somewhat improved by the shipment eastward of a large quantity of inferior quality, which was hardly saleable on local account. This was bought up by a shipper at prices varying from 5 to 11c per pound, and the purchases would clear this market up well of the poor stuff. Good dairies will bring 16c readily from the local trade, and choice has sold at 17 and 18c. A small quantity of choice fresh rolls and prints sold at 19c. Eastern Canada markets are generally reported firm, and good prices are being obtained.

#### CHEESE.

Cheese is firmer and selling in a jobbing way at 10½ to 11c, with a prospect of better prices for choice late makes.

#### EGGS.

Eggs are firmer and quoted 1c higher, at 20 to 21c. Prices at St. Paul and Minneapolis have advanced, whence the bulk of the supply from this market is drawn.

#### LARD.

Held at \$2.15 per 20 lb. pail.

#### CURED MEATS.

Prices hold very steady and there is no further change to note. Prices here are as fol-

lows: Dry salt bacon, 10c; smoked long clear, 11c; spiced rolls, 12½ to 13c; boneless breakfast bacon canvassed, 13½ to 14c; smoked hams, 14½ to 15c. Mess pork \$18 to \$18.50 per barrel. German sausage, 9c per lb.; Bologna sausage, 8c lb; ham, tongue and chicken sausage, 9c per ½ pound package.

#### DRESSED MEATS.

Pork is still the most notable article on the list, on account of the scarcity. Good hogs will bring 9½c per pound. Beef is steady at 5½c for good quality. Mutton is worth 10 to 11c; lamb, 11 to 12c; and veal 6 to 7c.

#### POULTRY AND GAME.

There is still a good demand for chickens, offering being light. Turkeys are worth 12½c per pound live weight. Chickens 50 to 60c per pair. Spring chickens, 40 to 50c per pair. The supply of game has been light, wild ducks being about the only thing and not many of these. Ducks worth 20 to 30c per pair.

#### POTATOES.

Potatoes were temporarily higher last week, on account of light offerings owing to bad weather. Very few were offered on the market, and loads brought 30 to 35c per bushel. These prices are only temporary, and a few fine days to increase the supply would reduce quotation 5 to 10c. There was no buying for shipment, the demand being only for local requirements.

#### VEGETABLES.

Most vegetables were temporarily higher, on account of bad weather, which greatly reduced offerings. Higher prices, however, were only owing to the scarcity for the time being, and therefore prices cannot be quoted higher. Quotations are: Cauliflower 40 to 75c per dozen head for choice. Cabbage 25 to 60c per doz. Tomatoes—native ripe, 4c to 6c per lb., green tomatoes per bushel, \$1.25 or \$1 for 20 lb. basket. Ontario tomatoes, 75c per 20 pound basket, though these sold at 65c a part of the week. Onions, 2 to 3c per pound. Celery, 25 to 40c per dozen heads; vegetable marrow, 30 to 60c per dozen. Citron, \$1 per dozen. Turnips, 20 to 25c per bushel. Carrots, 40 to 50c per bushel; beets 35c per bushel. Greenstuff in bunches is quoted: beets, 20c; green onions, 20c per doz. bunches; parsnips, 20 to 25c per doz. bunches. Pumpkins, 1½c per lb. Hubbard squash, \$1.50 per dozen; other varieties winter squash, 60c to \$1 per dozen; horse radish, 10c per lb.

#### HIDES.

Prices have declined in eastern markets, which makes the situation here easier. Prices dropped ½c at Toronto, where sellers were offering No. 1 cured at 7½c. Hides have been purchased in Chicago for eastern Canada tanners, at lower prices. Here prices are not changed, though the feeling is easy. About 4½ to 5c is considered fair value for round lots of salted hides at country points, though ½ to 1c higher has been paid in the country at point of shipment. Quotations here are 6c for No. 1 steers, and 5½ for No. 1 cows, 4½ for No. 2 and 3½ for No. 3; round lots country hides taken at 5½ to 5¾. Calfskins skin were taken at 4 to 6c. Sheep and lambskins are now worth about the same figure, and newly killed will bring 35 to 45c each. Tallow, 2½c for rough and 4½ to 5c for rendered.

#### HAY.

There was almost a hay famine in the city last week. Hardly anything offering on the farmers market on account of bad weather, and prices advanced to \$7 to \$8 per ton for loose by the load. On track \$5 to \$9 per ton was asked for pressed and the latter in small lots sold as high as \$11 per ton. The last two weeks of bad weather would no doubt destroy a great deal of hay in the country, in stock. Many farmers were putting up hay after harvest, and a good deal of this would be in stock.

#### SENACA HOOT.

Few small lots offering, and worth 24 to 30c per pound.

#### LIVE STOCK.

Shipments of cattle continue to go forward freely to Montreal. Several more large shipments are reported to go forward. For local use cattle are worth about 2½c to 2¾c, the bulk of purchases being between this range, though choice steers would bring 3c. No hogs offering but live would bring fancy figures, at a range between 6 and 7c, probably fully the top price for a few choice. The scarcity of hogs may be due to the fact that on account of the large crop of coarse grain, farmers may be holding to feed up more, though some believe they are not in the country, and that the supply will be short for some time.

#### The Crops.

It is claimed that the grain will average about 25 bushels to the acre in the district of Griswold, Manitoba.

The Portage Review says the average yield this year of the wheat crops in that vicinity is from twenty to twenty-five bushels to the acre.

Brandon Sun: There is a lot of very poor wheat coming in, many samples being utterly worthless for flour, owing to smut, frosted and other imperfections.

A gigantic mushroom, weighing 1½ pounds, and measuring 9½ inches in diameter, says a Prince Albert paper was discovered the other day on the river bank.

Threshing is almost through along the Elbow river, says the Calgary Tribune and the crops have turned out splendidly. J. Robinson has a return of 45 bushels of wheat and 67 bushels of barley to the acre—measured bushels.

The Neepawa Register says: "The probabilities are that our former estimate of the average yield of wheat in this district was under the mark so far as far as Rosedale is concerned. We have heard returns from about half a dozen farms within the past few days, and in two thirds of the cases over thirty bushels per acre has been recorded. In two cases there was an average of 32 bushels and in another case 31½."

The Register, Neepawa, Man., says:—"We believe that 800,000 bushels will be a low estimate of the wheat to be sold at Neepawa this season. It is not probable that more than 50,000 of this will be marketed before the middle of the present month. This would leave 750,000 bushels to deliver, and would make a daily average of 6,400 bushels for every working day from October 15th to March 1st. Supposing 70 cents to be the average price, there will be \$3,830 passing into circulation daily, or \$725,000 during the next three and one-half months."

#### Fur Items.

The last of the British Columbia sealers has arrived home from Behring Sea. No seizures this year.

The Hudson's Bay Co.'s fur shipment from Victoria, B. C., for the March sale in the London market will be ready in about one week, says the Colonist. It comprises a good selection both in size and quality of all kinds of furs, such as beaver, martin, bear, etc., but no seal. The value of the shipment will approximate \$150,000, and it will be the largest individual consignment of this class of fur this season.

A private meeting of the seal hunters was held recently at Victoria, B. C., says the

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The *Montreal Journal of Commerce* of Oct. 10, says: "A feature of the week has been the presence of American buyers in this market securing as much as possible of the fur of the wool seal, as the young of the Newfoundland seal is commercially called. Excitement is rampant over the future of the fur seal. Prices fully 20 per cent over those realized at the last London sales are freely offered by American buyers, but there are no sellers. Fur seal is in for a heavy rise, and our local holders are fully aware of the fact.

The *Montreal Gazette* says: "The indications now are for a very firm fur market during the ensuing season especially in seal. These skins are undergoing an excited experience in

the American market, and its effects have already been felt on this side the line in the shape of bids, especially for wool seal, that is the skin of the young Newfoundland animal which seems to be in great demand in New York now. In fur seal matters have reached a speculative plane which make it a doubtful article to handle in a legitimate way. All sorts of advanced prices have been paid in the States for the purpose of securing stock, owing to the fact that a sharp advance is to be established at the London sales which open on the 27th instant, and dealers here who have any stock of the description are holding it very firmly and will not listen to any bid at all. In other lines of raw shipping furs the prospects are for a firm market with no immediate prospect of a change in the prices of beaver, mink, martin, skunk, raccoon, fisher and lynx. Bear and otter are rather unsettled and somewhat easier prices are looked for."

The alleged telegram from Washington to the *Toronto Globe*, to the effect that an offer of reciprocity will be made by the United States, is generally regarded as a hoax. It has

even been hinted that the report was manufactured for political purposes.

Manitoba oats were offered at 42½c at Toronto last week, with 40c bid.

Sales of oatmeal have been made in carload lots at Toronto, at \$4.75 to \$4.80 for rolled delivered in the provinces.

At the cheese market at Ingersoll, Ont., on Oct. 14, 21 factories boarded 9,200 boxes, principally September make. Sales 200 August at 9½c, and 350 September at 10½c. Market quiet.

The *Scotch Canadian* is the title of a new weekly, the first number of which has appeared in Toronto, the publishers being Imrie & Graham. It will endeavor to fill in Canada the field occupied by the *Scottish-American* in the United States.

A Montreal telegram says: "Following the shipment of eggs which has been made to England during the past week comes the announcement of the exportation of one hundred tons of hay this week. Now that the tariff interferes with exportation to the States, it is expected that the exportation to British markets will be great.

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**Chicago Board of Trade Prices.**

On Monday, after the drop of 2c on the previous Saturday, wheat opened some firmer, and closed  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1c higher than Saturday's closing figures. The tone of the market was dull, but fairly steady. Closing prices were:—

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	99 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 02 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1 00 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	52 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	43 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	9.65	9.95	11.67 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Lard	6.12 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.30	6.45	—
Short Ribs	5.25	5.42 $\frac{1}{2}$	5.70	—

Wheat gained  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$ c on Tuesday, closing about that much higher over Monday. Cables were  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1d higher, and wheat on passage showed a reduction of 2,165,000 bushels for the week. Closing prices were:—

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.00 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.03 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1.07 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	52
Oats	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	41	—	43 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	9.60	9.90	11.70	—
Lard	6.15	6.27 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.45	—
Short Ribs	5.25	5.47	5.70	—

Wheat opened  $\frac{1}{4}$ c lower on Wednesday, and at the close was about  $\frac{3}{4}$ c lower than yesterday's close. Closing prices were:—

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	99 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.02 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1.06 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	49 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	52 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	44 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	9.70	9.95	11.72 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Lard	6.15	6.32 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.47 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Short Ribs	5.30	5.40	5.70	—

Wheat closed strong at an advance of  $\frac{1}{4}$ c on Friday. The firmness was due to strong and higher cables and good export demand. Closing prices were:—

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat	1.01 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.04 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	1.09
Corn	51	51 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	53 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	42 $\frac{1}{2}$	43	—	46
Pork	9.85	10.10	11.85	12.50
Lard	6.25	6.37 $\frac{1}{2}$ -10	6.55	—
Short Ribs	5.30	5.50	5.77 $\frac{1}{2}$	—

At noon on Saturday wheat was about 1c lower, December option standing at \$1.04 and May option at \$1.03 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

**Minneapolis Market.**

Following were closing wheat quotations on Thursday, Oct. 16:—

	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	On track
No. 1 hard	99	—	—	—
No. 1 northern	95 $\frac{1}{2}$	96 $\frac{1}{2}$	97 $\frac{1}{2}$	97 $\frac{1}{2}$ -98
No. 2 northern	92	—	93 $\frac{1}{2}$	93-93 $\frac{1}{2}$

These prices were 1 to 4c lower than a week ago.

Flour.—Bakers can be exported at a price that will net about \$3.80, and some is sold called fancy to the domestic trade, quite well above that. The patents moved moderately well at about \$5.25 to \$5.45 and small orders were charged a higher rate. Low grades were salable in bags at \$1.80 to \$2.25, including red dog.

Bran and shorts.—Both went well at \$11.50 to \$12 for bulk bran, and at 13.50 to \$15 for bulk shorts including midlings.

Oats.—This market has continued to grow in strength lately, and while receipts continue fair, the demand is active for grain of high quality. Quoted at 37 to 11c.

Barley was rather slow. No. 3 ranged from 50 to 60.

Feed.—Millers selling at about \$18.75 to \$19.50 for mixed feed and corn meal at about \$18.50.

Eggs—Higher, at 18 to 19c.

Potatoes—Large supply. Quoted at 60 to 65c in car lots.

Apples—Higher, at \$2.50 to \$3.50 for green, and \$3.25 to \$5.00 for red as to quality.

Hides.—Green salted, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; sheep pelts, 50 to 60c.

**Duluth Wheat Market.**

No. 1 hard wheat at Duluth on October 16th ranged between \$1.04 $\frac{1}{2}$  and \$1.05 for December delivery. The range for the day was practically the same as the range for the same day a week ago.

At Duluth at noon on Saturday No. 1 hard wheat was quoted at \$1.04 for October delivery and at \$1.05 for December.

**The Cattle Markets.**

Some improvement can be reported in British cattle markets. Liverpool cables early last week noted an advance of  $\frac{1}{2}$ c. The advance was owing to lighter supplies at the moment, and was looked upon as only temporary, lower prices being expected. At Liverpool, finest steers were quoted at 12c, good to choice at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, poor to medium at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, inferior at 8 to 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

At Montreal, business was lighter. Freight rates at that port have a tendency to advance, as is usual at this season, and 50 shillings was asked. Offerings at Montreal were largely poor quality, with a fair demand for good cattle. A lot of Manitoba cattle, shipped by Collins, of Brandon, were reported sold at Montreal for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for 65 head, and 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ c for 211 head. At Montreal export cattle were worth about 4 to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, medium to good butchers 3 to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, poor 2 to 3c.

**Important Legal Decision**

An information was laid by the Skelding Hardware Co. of Neepawa, against the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway Co. alleging that the informants had shipped certain goods to Neepawa via the N. P. & M. railway and the defendant company's line; that the defendants had refused to grant a through rate similar to that given by them on shipments via the C. P. R. that the plaintiffs had been compelled to pay a higher rate of freight than if they had shipped by the latter railway, and that the defendants were thereby guilty of an undue preference, and under section 241 of the Railway act, were liable to a fine. On the trial it appeared that the M. & N. W. Ry. Co. had a contract with the C. P. R. whereby they gave the public the benefit of through rates on all goods shipped over their joint lines. That there was no similar agreement with the N. P. Ry. and the defendants had therefore charged for the shipment over their line according to their ordinary local tariff. The plaintiffs asserted that this amounted to an unreasonable preference and the penalty should therefore be inflicted. The defendants argued that if the through rate could be demanded in this case it could in any shipment from any point on their or other connecting railway line, and that their local tariff would then become a nonentity; that the only object of the agreement was to give the public lower rates in long hauls, and that if this penalty were held applicable the effect would be to raise all rates to the local standard. Judgment was

reserved until Wednesday last, when an order was made dismissing the information and holding the charge a proper one. Wilson, Dexter and Beynon for the Skelding Company; Phippen for the railway.

ANTHRACITE coal sells retail at \$16.75 per ton at Calgary.

McLean Bros, of Winnipeg, are opening a general store at Pilot Mound, Man, and not at Deloraine, as stated last week.

F. C. Wade and A. Whealler, of Winnipeg, have formed a legal partnership under the name of Wade & Whealler.

TRACKLAYING on the extension of the Manitoba and Northwestern railway, from Saltcoats to Yorkton was finished last week.

J. L. Campbell, of Sourisford, and J. F. Ferguson, of Melita, have made arrangements to go into business as lumber merchants at Melita.

A COLONY of Germans is locating northeast of Wolsley. Some of the men have arrived and their families and household goods are expected next week.

*Le Manitoba*, the only French journal published in Manitoba, reached its 20th birthday last week. *Le Manitoba* must be nearly at the head of the list among the pioneer papers of the province.

THE high prices for sealskins will no doubt render the sealing industry profitable to British Columbia sealers, notwithstanding the poor catches, that is if the sealers get the benefit of the advancing prices.

THE demonstration in connection with the driving of the last spike on the Prince Albert branch of the C. P. R., which was to have taken place on October 15, has been postponed until the 22nd inst.

STEPHEN NAIRN, of the Winnipeg oatmeal mills, has commenced the erection of a 28,000 bushel elevator adjoining his mills, which will be equipped with the latest improvements for cleaning oats and other grains.

THE last *Dominion Illustrated* contains a portrait of General Superintendent Whyte, of the Canadian Pacific Railway; also harvesting scenes in the west. The number is a good one. The *Dominion Illustrated* is published by the Sabiston Lithographic and Publishing Company at the Gazette Building, Montreal.

The Regina, Long Lake & Saskatchewan railway having been formally approved by the government the land subsidy voted by parliament has been passed to the company. The Canadians Pacific railway has had the road inspected and it being found in good order the company has commenced to operate it in accordance with the contract with Senator McInnis' company.

A San Francisco dispatch says: Reports from the Alaska canning districts indicate that thus far in the season the pack has been larger than last year. The run of fish at Kodiak, which was alarmingly light at the commencement of the year, improved as time went on, and the returns are considered highly satisfactory. During this season 23 vessels have arrived from Alaska canneries, bringing in an aggregate of 241,678 cases of salmon from July 15th to October 6th. During the same time last year the pack was 261,801 cases.



### British Grain Trade.

The *Mark Lane Express* of October 13, in its weekly review of the British grain trade says: "English wheat is 5 shillings below August prices and undersells the imported wheat. The sales of English wheat during the week amounted to 92,476 qrs at 30s 11d per qr against 85,532 qrs at 29s 4d for the corresponding week last year. Foreign wheat was selling freely. Californian recovered 9d of the September decline; and the others 3d. This, in the face of the colossal imports, indicates the strength of the market. The large quantity on passage only menaces trade for the next three months. The contracts for later delivery are small, and before the winter is over there may be a deficiency rather than an excess. Good malting barley was quoted at 32 to 35s. Grinding was easier, owing to the quantity on passage. Oats were quiet, and corn was offered at 23s. To-day the dense fog interfered greatly with business. Wheat was steadily held. California was 6d better on the week. Corn was firmer, barley had a fair sale and oats were slow. Good barley and fine flour, especially American patent and straight, closed dearer."

### Banff.

The name "Banff," applied to the railway depot for the Canadian National Park, hardly seems appropriate. There is nothing in it to designate to travellers that it is a pleasure resort. Passing west on a Canadian Pacific train a short time ago, a number of the passengers seemed to know nothing about Banff, though they had heard of the great National Park. They were not aware that Banff had any connection with the park. If the railway depot for the park were given a name which would indicate that it was the National Park, or at least a pleasure resort, it would be more appropriate, and would at the same time help to advertise the place. There is no significance in the name, "Banff" to parties not familiar with the associations of the place, while the name "National Park," for instance, contains something in itself which would lead strangers or tourists to enquire about the place. Besides errors are likely to occur through having the depot and post office known by a different name from the park itself. People have been known to pass Banff on the railway and not be aware until afterwards, when it was too late to stop over and enjoy the delightful scenery of the place, that they had passed the great National Park of Canada.

### Northwestern Ontario.

The violence of the storm on Thunder Bay, of the first of last week, says the *Port Arthur Sentinel*, has not been equalled in many years. Buildings on the breakwater have been swept off and some of the massive timbers, spiked and strongly bolted in that structure, were wrenched from their position and floated ashore. In fact it is a good thing for the town, the dock, and shipowners, that the breakwater is nearly finished, otherwise great damage would be entailed.

There are numerous mining men in and near Port Arthur at present says the *Sentinel*, and it is satisfactory to know that thoroughly practical explorers, who have gained their experience in Mexico, Central America, Nevada,

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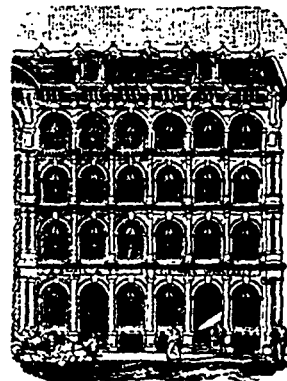
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Toronto *Empire*, Oct. 11 says: "Prices of canned goods are firmly maintained, especially on staple lines. There are a good many enquiries from jobbers, but holders are inclined to retain their stock to fill retail customer's orders. A bid of \$1.15 was refused for 1,000 cases of a well known brand of tomatoes to-day. This is, however the figure at which jobbers are selling small lots. Peas are worth \$1.15, and corn \$1.10 to \$1.15. Plums, gages, and Lombards are firm at \$1.85. In fruits \$2.35 is asked for black raspberries, and \$2.25 for strawberries, with peaches at \$3.75 to \$4.

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## Kamloops, B. C.

Kamloops has been known for some years, to those who know anything at all about the province, as the principal town of the interior of British Columbia. It is located on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, 250 miles east of the Pacific terminus of the road at Vancouver. It is an important divisional point for the railway, being the principal one between Donald and the coast. Round-house repair shops, and the head office for the division are located here, and about fifty men are in the employ of the company at this point.

A Dominion land office was opened at Kamloops early last spring. The Dominion Government own the land in the railway belt—that is for a distance of twenty miles on each side of the railway. The balance of the lands not sold in the province are owned by the Provincial Government. The railway belt was granted to the Dominion as a consideration in connection with the construction of the road. The Dominion lands office at Kamloops has charge of the railway belt between the eastern boundary of the province (at the summit of the Rocky Mountains) and Spencer's Bridge. E. A. Nash, formerly in the Winnipeg office, is the agent. The opening of the office at Kamloops will be a great convenience to settlers. Among other Dominion Government institutions at Kamloops are a post office savings bank, and Industrial school for the Indians. The latter occupies a fine location in the river valley, within sight of the town.

Kamloops is the judicial headquarters for the district of Yale. The court house, jail and other local government offices are located here, and it is therefore the place of residence of the officials of the district. It is expected that a registry office will be opened in the near future.

Commercially Kamloops is looked upon as the principal distributing point for the interior of British Columbia. When the vast size of the province is taken into account, this means a great deal. This will apply to that portion of the interior reached from the railway. The population of the place is estimated at about 1,000, and the business institutions number about fifty. A Hudson's Bay Company's post has been established for years. Among the other general stores are R. E. Smith, who carries a large stock, in a new store, erected on his old stand. McArthur, Stevenson & McIvor also carry a large stock of general goods, and do a lively trade. M. Gaglietto & Co., also do a good trade as general merchants, having succeeded to the business of Scintro & Co. A general store business is also carried on by J. L. Browne, who also has a photographic studio. M. P. Gordon carries on a furniture business, undertaking, etc. J. S. Smith, does a bakery and confectionery business. J. E. Saucier is the jeweller and watchmaker. The town is well supplied with hotels. The Cosmopolitan, an old and well-known house, is now kept by Joseph Ratchford. The Grand Pacific, a leading commercial house, is kept by Creedon & Smith. John O'Brien carries on a saloon business. Jas. Woodland and Hull Bros. are butchers and ranchers. Among the important business institutions is a branch of the Bank of British Columbia.

Kamloops has not much in the line of industries. The only important institution of this nature is the saw mill, owned by Jas. McIntosh. At this mill, fir, cedar and white and yellow

pine lumber is manufactured. It is thought that a brewery could be made to pay, and perhaps a cigar factory, tannery, etc.

Kamloops is supplied with water works, in the establishment of which James McIntosh was the principal mover, and he is president of the company. The water is pumped from the river to a reservoir on the hill back of the town, which gives a natural force to the water. The water works can be utilized in case of fire. There is a local fire brigade.

The country about Kamloops is principally devoted to ranching, and it is the leading ranching portion of the province. The climate is dry, and without irrigation a good deal of the region is not suited for agriculture. The dry belt extends from the vicinity of Litton to about forty miles east of Kamloops. The climate is remarkably healthy, and is considered as nearly perfect as it can be in point of healthfulness. It is claimed to be especially beneficial to those suffering from lung troubles. Cold weather is not looked for before the first of January, and the cold period is short, though sometimes quite severe.

Kamloops is situated at the junction of the the North and South Thompson rivers. The main stream of the Thompson, after the two branches are merged, is navigable from Kamloops down to Ashcroft. The North branch is navigable up from Kamloops about 100 miles, and the South branch is navigable up to Shuswap lake, which is its source. This gives a long stretch of navigable water tributary to the town.

There is not much done in mining in the immediate vicinity of Kamloops. Coal has been discovered close by, but the find has not yet been developed, and the quantity available is unknown. At Nicola, something over thirty miles south, some good discoveries have been made of silver and gold, and considerable development work is being done.

Where the land has been irrigated, fine crops are grown. Grain crops, vegetables and fruits do well. Apples, pears, cherries, plums, etc., of fine quality can be grown. The apples are superior in flavor and quality to those grown in the moister coast climate. The country is very rolling, some of the elevations reaching the proportion of good sized mountains. There is some complaint that the custom of selling large areas of land to companies of ranchers has been detrimental to the settlement of the district in sections where agriculture could be carried on.

Kamloops had quite a Chinese population during the days of railway construction, but this has been greatly reduced of late years. A sprinkling of the Celestials remain. A peculiarity of the place, noticeable to strangers, is the mode of locomotion, which seems to be principally on horseback. Everybody goes on horseback, and the ease with which the riders occupy the saddle at once shows that they are not amateurs.

For the traveller in search of health and pleasure, Kamloops would be a splendid point to spend a short time, especially during the fall season. Then the weather is superb beyond description. There is good boating, and fishing in the clear waters of the Thompson river and neighboring lakes. Mountain climbing can be indulged in. Though not quite as rugged and bald as the peaks of the Selkirk and Rockies there are some little hills about

Kamloops which are quite as high as the average citizen would care to scale. The scenery along the river is very fine. Among the varieties of fish in the waters of the district are mountain trout, speckled trout and salmon. Water fowl, grouse, deer, caribou and other game abound for those disposed to the sport of hunting, and those who would wish something more exciting will find a bear to tackle now and again.

## The Saskatchewan River.

Altogether the finest, largest and most interesting river in the Western Territories of Canada is the Saskatchewan. The immense valleys of the Saskatchewan contain the largest area of the best land in any portion of the west. The present centres of settlement are far apart, and as the Saskatchewan country is many times as large as Manitoba, there is abundance of room for all who choose to come. It is one of the most self-contained districts in the continent, having everything required for the comfort of its people. Every one speaks well of it: and every one in the past did so, as far back as history goes. G. Franchere, a French traveller who explored the Saskatchewan many years ago, describes the river as one of the prettiest in the world. He says that the banks are charming, the hills varied in form, crowned with superb groves, valleys agreeably embrowned at morning and evening by the prolonged shadow of the hills and of the woods which adorn them; herds of light-limbed antelopes and colossal buffalo—the former wandering along the slopes, the latter trampling under their heavy feet the verdure of the plains. All their beauties were reflected and doubled by the waters of the river; while the melodious and varied song of thousands of birds pour contentment and joy into the hearts of the enchanted beholder. How comes it, he says to himself, that so beautiful a country is not inhabited by human creatures, while in Europe, and particularly in England, so many men do not possess, as their own, a single inch of ground? This might be answered by saying that it was little understood and off the line of travel, but now that it is becoming known and easy of access these rich regions will fill up with a healthy and happy population.—*Battleford Herald*.

## Are Gophers Good to Eat?

The Emmons County, N. Dakota, *Record* says: We know three or four settlers in this county who—primarily through lack of meat, secondarily in the interest of science—have devoured gophers. With one accord these settlers assert that they never tasted better flesh; that it is tender and sweet, and superior to the squirrel's of the woods. What we want to get at is this. If the gopher can be made a regular article of diet its numbers would decrease rapidly. Not only would country people slaughter thousands, but sportsmen from the city would also join in the crusade. Somebody must do the pioneer work—a considerable number must prove to their fellow settlers by object lessons that gopher is good "feed." It might be impossible to get volunteers to give practical illustrations, but still the people are masters of the situation. Make the politicians eat 'em. Let no man be nominated to a county office until he gives a written pledge to make gopher a chief article of diet. In this way both the politician and flicker-tail will be made to subsolve a useful purpose.

British Columbia.

A harnessmaker has located at Nelson.  
 M. Findlay, hotelkeeper Savona, reported left.  
 York & Co., fish, groceries, etc., Vancouver, have sold out.  
 Grassie & Mason, jewellers, Vancouver, have dissolved partnership.  
 Rolland & Smith, laundry, Victoria, have discontinued business.  
 G. H. Grant, boots and shoes, New Westminster, sheriff in possession.  
 John Cartwright, hotelkeeper, Vancouver, is succeeded by Chas. Housley.  
 Hay has been exported from Fraser River district to Puget Sound points.

The formation of a deep sea fishing company, at Vancouver, is again engaging attention.  
 A large run of salmon is reported in the Fraser river, but the demand for fish is slack.  
 J. W. Horne, of Vancouver, calls for tenders for the erection of a fine three-storey hotel at Mission.  
 Hoover & Cook, Nelson, have dissolved, Cook retiring and is succeeded by Craddock. Hoover & Craddock is now the style.  
 Goodwin & Wilkinson, real estate agents, etc., Vancouver, have secured the agency of the New York Life Insurance Company.  
 A Northern Pacific expert, says the Nelson Miner, is travelling over our mineral hills to see if this country is worth building a branch line to.

Manitoba must be losing her grip on the butter trade of our coast cities judging from the number of cars of butter arriving from eastern Canada.  
 C. Burtland has sold out his interest in the butcher business at Vancouver to his partner, W. M. Nevard, who will conduct the business in the future alone.  
 B. Springer, formerly connected with the Moodyville saw mill, has commenced business at Vancouver as a commission merchant and shipping agent.

J. C. Henderson, general storekeeper, Chilliwack, who sold out some time ago to Martin Bros., has bought back the business and will continue it again.  
 A candy factory is being established at Vancouver, to be known as the Vancouver Candy Factory, S. McHugh is the manager. Capacity about two tons per week.

Kamloops has been revelling in the luxury of a fuel exhibition, which is pronounced a great success. Never before, says a report, has there been such a crowd in Kamloops.  
 Fresh eggs, says the New Westminster Truth, are very scarce, and have been so all the year. They retail at 45 cents per dozen, while case eggs find a ready sale at 30 cents.

Reid & Currie, of New Westminster, have been given the contract for the iron bridge to be constructed over the Nicholmeckl River for the Westminster & Southern railway.  
 Thomas Mowat, inspector of fisheries, has received orders to begin operations at the Fraser river hatchery this season. Mr. Mowat expects to place about 10,000,000 fry in the hatchery.

It is estimated that fresh salmon to the value of \$25,000 has been shipped east from New Westminster during the season, an in-

crease over the amount of last year's shipments.

Cowichan Mills, B. C., is the name of the last new post office established in the province. William B. Baker is the postmaster. The lumbering industry is increasing the importance of the place.

A second dry dock is talked of for British Columbia, and the press of the different cities is hotly engaged in discussing where the dock shall be placed. Of course they all want it at their own city.

The Nanaimo export contained the following values of coal: September, 1899, \$307,407.55; December, 1899, \$139,413.37; March, 1890, \$385,528.17; June, 1890, \$114,827; September, 1890, \$399,116.

It is stated that the proposed British Columbia branch of the Hamilton Manufacturing Company, of Peterboro, Ont., machinery, will be located at Nanaimo, the advantage being the proximity to the coal supply.

The Department of Marine, at Ottawa, has awarded the contract for a steel steamer for lighthouse and buoy services on the British Columbia coast to Ferguson, of Paisley, Scotland. The contract price for the vessel is \$150,000.

The Canadian Pacific Navigation Company are completing arrangements for the building of a new and thoroughly first class steel steamer, which will, in all probability, replace the Islander on the Victoria-Vancouver route, the Islander going on the Fraser River-Victoria route.

The Colonist publishes a statement, giving the value of exports to the United States from the ports of Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo for the quarter ended on the 30th of the months named:—

	VICTORIA.	VANCOUVER.	NANAIMO.
September, 1899	\$336,468.95	\$42,170.35	\$402,597.55
December, 1899	359,701.03	75,764.31	435,465.37
March, 1890	23,078.63	29,348.49	52,427.12
June, 1890	183,511.79	26,351.20	209,863.00
September, 1890	219,415.55	40,332.34	259,747.89

The Nanaimo Free Press says: "The following figures showing the valuation of exports for the past three months, ending Sept. 30th, 1899.

Nanaimo	\$392,920.40
Victoria	219,446.55
Vancouver	40,332.34

By the above figure Nanaimo shows an increase over Victoria of \$173,471.85 or an increase over Victoria and Vancouver combined of \$133,132.51. Thus showing that Nanaimo has a larger export trade than all other sections of the province combined." This, we might add, is owing to coal mining at Nanaimo.

The Victoria Colonist says: "By a recent arrangement with the Northern Pacific for the haul between Portland and Tacoma, the Union Pacific railway are enable to offer Victoria importers the same rate of freight from eastern Canadian and American points and from England as the Canadian Pacific or Northern Pacific. The Grand Trunk does the work between Chicago and the east so far as Canadian freight is concerned. The Union Pacific have a traffic arrangement with the Northwestern road and run fast trains between Chicago and Portland. A through passenger train is run to and from Chicago and Portland every day and makes the fastest time of any road crossing the continent. The Northern Pacific carries the

freight from Portland to Tacoma by special arrangement, and the Sound steamers of the Union Pacific transfer it to Victoria."

The Victoria Times has the following to say of the exhibition held at that city recently: "The exhibition of the British Columbia Agricultural Association which closes to-day, has been an unqualified success. Both in respect to the exhibits and attendance, the show was superior to anything of the kind previously seen in Victoria. The citizens of Victoria, and the residents of the Island were ably seconded by the Mainland, which sent a steamer load of live stock and products. There was only one thing to find fault with and that is the inadequate accommodation within and without the agricultural hall; every place was overcrowded, and anything like an inspection of the various departments was impossible, especially during mid-day when the attendance was largest. The grounds are far too small and the building does not contain half enough floor space. Neither is it designed to make the most out of the space it does contain. The Society is face to face with the problem of new premises, for it is obvious that if the exhibition is to be permanent a suitable place must be provided before another year goes round. The divorce decreed at Westminster last year has not had the bad effect that was predicted by many. The Island and Mainland sections of the Province have shown marvellous progress, and both the Westminster and Victoria exhibitions have demonstrated better than the joint show ever did before, the wonderful expansion in all industrial enterprises. Westminster city has expended about fifty thousand dollars in providing buildings and grounds and the royal society was firmly established this year. What is possible for Westminster is not impossible for Victoria and both grounds and buildings commensurate with the object for which they are destined and in good keeping with the spirit of progress that is abroad must be provided by our citizens."

For Ontario's Mines.

A committee appointed at a meeting of mineralogists held recently at the Stock Exchange Toronto, to report upon the advisability of forming an association for the purpose of aiding in the development of Canadian mineral resources met on Wednesday afternoon in the the office of W. H. Lockhart Gordon. Prof. Goldwin Smith presided, and J. S. Lackie was secretary. There were also present C. S. Morris, J. F. Lattimer, T. D. Ledyard, A. Harvie, Lockhart Gordon, and Prof. Smyth, of Trinity College.

The meeting was unanimously of the opinion that associated effort was necessary for the development of our mineral resources and for the dissemination of reliable information relative to the value of mineral properties which may be placed upon the market. A resolution to this effect was adopted.

It was further decided to try and enlist the co operation of prospectors by requesting them to forward samples which might be placed on view at the rooms of the proposed association and examined by qualified analysts when necessary.

C. S. Morris, A. B. Barry, Lockhart Gordon, T. D. Ledyard and Mr. Lackie, were appointed a committee to prepare a constitution and to report at a meeting of the committee to be held on the 14th inst.—Canada Grocer.

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## Eastern Business Changes.

### ONTARIO.

Leon Dion, hotel, Lakefield, has sold out.  
Clarke & Cook, tailors, Orillia, have assigned.  
Chas. Blunt, butcher, Ottawa, has assigned.  
W. J. Guy, plumber, Toronto, has assigned.  
G. M. Veen, milliner, Ottawa, has assigned.  
E. Bethel, tobacconist, Barrie, has sold out.  
A. Thompson, shoes, Chatham, has sold out.  
J. T. Merritt, hotel, Chatham, has sold out.  
J. T. Ferguson, liquors, Tilsonburg, has sold out.  
Gale & Archibald, bankers, Elora, have dissolved.  
Grover & Co., dry goods &c., Dresden, has assigned.  
Roblin & Ford, tailors, Napanee have assigned.  
Fournier Bros., dry goods, Ottawa, have assigned.  
Frawley Bros., general store, Sudbury, have assigned.  
McGachie Bros., dry goods, Woodstock, have assigned.  
Thos. Nesbitt, harnessmaker, Blackstock, has sold out.  
McDonell & Waugh, hardware, Heusall, have dissolved.  
R. Campbell, shoes, Ripley, has gone out of business.  
Thos. Davidson, flour & feed, Guelph, has sold out.  
W. H. McCullough, general store, Hillsburg, has sold out.  
Alex. Thompson, carpenter &c., Uxbridge, has assigned.  
W. B. Sheridan, general store, Winthrop, has assigned.  
E. S. Garnham, general store, Guysboro, has assigned.  
Sam. Wolf, tailor, Toronto, meeting of creditors called.  
G. Yanke, tobacco &c., Berlin, business closed by sheriff.

John Tribe, insurance and implement agent, Tilsonburg, dead

Paul Huffman, manufacturer, Surfod Township, has assigned.

J. Millar, proprietor of the Brantford "Telegram" has assigned.

Suckling Cassidy & Co., trade auctioneers, Toronto, have assigned.

Alford & Jarvis, dry goods & groceries, Grimsby have been burnt out.

J. M. Smith, tins, and Dobie Bros., dry goods, Wallaceburg, have been burnt out.

Kerr Bros., foundry, Walkerville, have been incorporated under name of the Kerr Engine Co.

### QUEBEC.

Aguste Perron, contractor, has assigned.

Dore Wilbrod, grocer, Quebec, has assigned.

J. L. Dauvier, grocer, Montreal, has assigned.

Albert Marquette, caterer, Quebec, has assigned.

F. X. Billy, tailor, Arthabaska Station, has assigned.

J. Lacroix, shoe manufacture, Montreal, has dissolved.

Palletier & Mallette, grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Leparance & Co., butchers, Montreal, have dissolved.

J. A. Genest, general storekeeper, Sherbrooke, has assigned.

Joseph Labelle & Co., grocers, St. Johns, have assigned.

O. Begin & Co., shoe manufacturers, Quebec, have assigned.

Mathieu & Mosse, butchers, St. Cuneconde, have dissolved.

Isidore Voissard, baker, Louiseville, is offering a compromise.

W. F. Wood, general storekeeper, St. Leonard, has assigned.

Lindsay, Gilmour & Co., wholesale dry goods, Montreal, have dissolved.

Drayer, McDougall & Co., general agents, Montreal, have dissolved.

R. & W. Warmington, wholesale and retail tinware, Montreal, have dissolved.

Eusebe Camirand, general storekeeper, St. Mouique, is offering a compromise.

J. McCready & Co., shoe manufacturers, Montreal, Jas. McCready, of this firm, is dead.

### NOVA SCOTIA.

Douglas & Fraser, North Sydney, have dissolved.

Wm. Proctor, boot and shoe manufacturer, has assigned.

A. Forbes & Co., tinware, etc., Truro, have assigned.

T. W. Publicover & Co., dry goods, etc., Sydney, have assigned.

### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Thos. Keenan, boots and shoes, Murray River, is dead.

### NEW BRUNSWICK.

A. Lucas, tins, Edmunston, has assigned.

F. Moore & Son, saw mill, Woodstock, were burned out.

J. L. Pye & Son, general storekeepers, Tidnish, have assigned.

### Montreal Hardware Market.

Pig iron has advanced fully 50c per ton in this market since our last report, Sumerlee being quoted at \$23.50, Gartscherrie \$22.50 to \$23.00, and Carnbro and Englington \$21.50 to \$22.00. Since this advance was reported, however, there has been a severe speculative shrinkage in Scotch warrants, which have tumbled from 53s 7d to 51s 3d, being a drop of 2s 4d within the past few days. No. 3 Middleboro has also sympathized with the decline in warrants, and is down 3s to 48s. This is said to be purely speculative owing to the stringency of the money market. In proof of this a cable despatch quotes markers' braads as firm as ever. Bar iron is still selling to the trade at \$2.25 for Canadian. It is stated that if

Summerlee pig iron goes over \$24.00 in Toronto the American product will come in again. Tinplates are very strong at \$4.25 for cokes, and \$4.50 to \$5.00 for charcoal. Several lots of Canada plates have changed hands at \$3.10 to \$3.15, stocks being light. Cast scrap iron is very scarce and full figures are obtainable, a lot of 75 tons being placed at \$19.50 ex wharf. A round lot of chairs were also sold at \$19.00. In metals the same weak uneasy feeling in warrants has struck the metal market, ingot tin in London having dropped £2 5s in a single day to £100 15s, but copper is firmer, and 5s 6d higher at £59 17s 6d. Here tin is unchanged at 55c, while copper is firm at 18½ to 17c. The supply of copper in this market is held principally by one firm. Pig lead is very strong and dealers have advanced prices to 4c. Lead pipe has also been advanced to 4½c. In hardware there has been a better business in both shelf and heavy goods. — *Trade Bulletin.*

**Grain and Milling.**

The Austin mill company has established an elevator at Sidney Man.

R. C. Ennis is buying wheat at Neepawa, Man., for Dices and Cleveland.

The new mill at Neepawa, expected to begin operations for the first time on Oct 15.

C. Smith, miller for the Arrow Milling Co., at Birtle, has gone to Arden, Man., to take charge of the new mill at that place.

The bonus to E. G. Bilton, for the new flour mill at Russell, Man., which lapsed through the mill not having been completed in time, has been renewed by another vote of the municipality.

The Pillsbury-Washburn Milling Company, of Minneapolis has paid its dividend to its employes of the year's profits, in accordance with the practice of the Pillsbury company, which was the first prominent company in the country to adopt the policy. It covers a period of 10 months, as the new company assumed control of the mills Nov. 1, and the dividend was made on the business done up to Sept. 1.

**Lumber Cuttings.**

The Ontario government's sale of timber berths in the Rainy River and Thunder Bay districts is regarded as a fair success. An important feature in the terms of the sale was the requirement that all timber cut from the limits sold should be manufactured in the province of Ontario. The berths were sold subject to the crown timber regulations, the timber dues to remain the same as now charged, \$1 per thousand feet for pine for seven years from the date of sale. In all 485 square miles were offered for sale. Only 314 were sold, however, 141 being withdrawn. The total bonus paid \$421,862. This was an average of \$935 per square mile. The difference, however, in prices was great, running from \$300 to \$5,600, according to situation and timber. The purchasers were as follows:

R. bert Thomson . . . . .	23	\$24,725
G. H. Wilson . . . . .	14	17,300
J. L. Murphy . . . . .	70	45,650
W. H. Leavitt . . . . .	6	3,650
Ross, Hall & Brown . . . . .	13	9,725
L. B. Montgomery . . . . .	31	10,450
H. L. Lovering . . . . .	8	3,300
Cameron & Kennedy . . . . .	43	25,325

S. F. McKinnon . . . . .	38	62,208
M. H. Ford . . . . .	22	42,500
Peter Ryan . . . . .	19½	7,800
Sadler, Dundas, & Co. . . . .	37½	20,625
McArthur Bros. . . . .	18½	48,582

Former sales of timber berths of recent years have been on October 22, 1895, on the north shore of Lake Huron, when 1,012 miles were sold for \$318,655, an average of \$314.87 per mile; in December, 1887, on the rivers Peto wawa and Muskoka, at the head waters, when 450 square miles were sold, the price being \$1,312,312, or an average of \$2,859 per mile. The 1887 sales were made at stumpage dues of 75 cents per 1,000 feet of pine, while the present berths pay \$1 per thousand feet stumpage dues.

A Toronto telegram says there is a great outcry on the part of lumber firms in the Muskoka district, on account of the scarcity of freight cars. Owing to insufficiency of cars to tranship lumber, several failures and business embarrassments have already occurred, and if the grievance is not speedily remedied, it is expected that others will shortly be announced. The railway men say one reason why there has been a shortage of cars was that roads were severely taxed to get barley across the line before the McKinley bill went into effect. Now the pressure is relieved they will be able to supply more cars for the transshipment of lumber.

John Valentine has secured a timber limit on Greeley creek, B. C., about six miles up the Illecillewaet, and will establish a shingle mill, for which the water of the creek will be utilized as the motive power.

**Items About Trade.**

English cables reported cheese 6d. higher on October 11.

Potatoes were worth 50 to 60c per bag at Toronto last week.

Hides were ½c lower at Toronto on Monday last, No. 1 cured being offered at 7½c.

Sales of Manitoba strong bakers flour were made at Toronto on October 11, at \$5.65, and patents at \$5.90.

The Craver cotton mills have been sold to a Montreal syndicate, the sole condition being that the mill be kept running three-fourths of a year.

No. 2 hard Manitoba sold at \$1.15 to \$1.16 at Toronto on October 10, for immediate delivery. On the same day, oats were worth 40 to 41c at Toronto.

Twenty-three factories boarded 12,150 boxes cheese at London, Ont., on Oct. 11, 305 Aug's. and 11,845 Septembers. Sales, 100 Augusts at 9½c, and 600 Septembers at 10½c. Market dull.

Canned Goods, says the *Toronto Empire*, continue in active enquiry, but holders are not anxious sellers, feeling confident that the future will develop a considerable advance in prices. Tomatoes and peas are firmly held at \$1.15, and corn at \$1.10.

Good to choice butters says the *Toronto Empire*, of October 11 is not coming in as freely as the demand warrants, and prices are firm at 15 to 17c for dairy tubs and rolls. Mediums are in ample supply, and are taken at 11 to 13c, but low grades are accumulating; a few are going out at 7 to 11c. Creamery firm, September offered at 22c to-day on spot.

The *Toronto Empire* speaks of the situation in canned goods in that market as follows: "There has been an unusually active demand for salmon at \$1.30 to \$1.35 for ordinary brands; for Horse Shoe \$1.40 to \$1.45 is asked. Lobsters dull at \$2 to \$2.20. Mackrel would cost \$1.30 to lay down and cannot compete with salmon. There is now no doubt of the shortage in the pack of fruit and vegetables; and the market is strong with an active demand. Corn is firmly held at \$1.10, and peas at \$1.15. Apples are obtainable at \$1.10 for 3's, and \$2.75 for gallons."

At the cheese market at Brockville, Ont., on Oct. 9, offerings on the board were 3,876 white, 2,367 colored, a total of 6,243. The board opened with a large representation of both buyers and sellers. Ten and a quarter was the highest figure offered and it was accepted only for one lot of 65 boxes. Sellers stick firmly a ten and a half figure, and this they want for September's, and balance of season's make. Buyers did not seem anxious for stuff. After the board closed about 2,000 boxes were sold at from 10½ to 10½c.

**Wheat Inspected at Winnipeg.**

D. Horn, grain inspector, has made the following report to the Grain Exchange of the wheat inspection since the opening of the present season:

Week ending Sept, 27th—No. 2 hard, 1; No. 2 northern, 12; rejected, 7; no grade, 2; total, 23 cars.

Week ending Oct. 4th—No. 1 hard, 1; No. 2 hard, 26; No. 3 hard, 8; No. 2 northern, 21; No. 3 northern, 2; No. 1 frosted, 1; No. 2 frosted, 2; rejected, 26; no grade, 4; total, 91.

Week ending Oct. 11th—No. 2 hard, 4; No. 3 hard, 17; No. 2 northern, 17; No. 3 northern, 5; No. 1 frosted, 2; No. 2 frosted, 2; rejected, 16; no grade, 3; total, 66.

This makes a total of cars inspected at Winnipeg since the opening of the season of 179 cars. This does not represent, of course, the output from the province, as quite a number of cars are shipped through to Port Arthur, where they are inspected.

**Population of the United States.**

Calculations made by the census bureau as to the population of the United States indicate a total of 63,231,423. The count has been completed in the case of twenty-eight states and territories. The returns from the other states are in, and most of them have been counted, but one or more districts in each of the states remain to be added up. The total arrived at by the census officials is below what was generally expected. It represents an increase of only a little over 26 per cent. for the decade 1880-90, as compared with an increase of 30.08 per cent. for the decade 1870-80. The percentage of increase is, in fact, the smallest for any decade since the first census was taken, with the single exception of the decade 1860-70, which included the period of the civil war. The percentages of increase for the decennial periods during the century which has elapsed since taking the first census are as follows: 1790-1800, 35.10 per cent.; 1800-10, 36.33 per cent.; 1810-20, 33.06 per cent.; 1820-30, 32.51 per cent.; 1830-40, 33.52 per cent.; 1840-50, 35.83 per cent.; 1850-60, 37.11 per cent.; 1860-70, 22.65 per cent.; 1870-80, 30.08 per cent.; 1880-90, 26.07 per cent.—*Bradstreets.*

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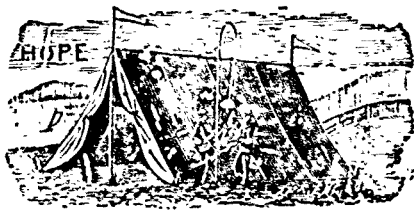
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