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## WINNIPEG, AUGUST 1, 1892.

## Legislative Interforence with Trade.

As the parliamentary session draws to 8 close, it beconey possible to gain some idea of the direetion which commeruial legistation has taken.

A brief review of the headings of the Bills which appears upon the Orders of tho Hullse, show that both government measures and private bills indicate an increasing $t$ mlency to interfere and regalate the details of all stages of industrial production aud commercial distri. Intion. This legislativo intervention and supervision takes place occasionally on behalf of the work people who are employed in th. various manufacturing processes, or clee for their social benfit anil improvement. Mess utes tending in thia directinu have been introduced into the Honse under the rerpective tites ot the Eight Hours Bill and the Miacs (Bight Ifours) Tegalation Bill, the Ifousing of the Working Classes Bitl, the Merchant Sea men's (Provisions) Bill, the Mining Accidents Insurance (Seothad) Bill, Old ALe Provile nt Pensions Bill, tho Ourdoor L'rovident Relief Bill, ' oal Mines Reguiation and Amendment. Boilors Iuspection and Regulation, and the Shop Hours Regalation Bills. The details of these measures are sufficiontly ivdicated by the direstion in which their framers are disposca to move ou behalf of there whose positions thes seck to inprove. Under ench aud atl of the se propusals, financial charges of some kind, enther as to cost of iuspecinn or of raics, would fall upou the whole crmmmity, for the bendit and advartaga of a pario vlar section. This legisla. tion is, therciore, distinctly of a socialistic character.
Another class of enaetment is devised for the protection of the public, cither agrinst the omission of noxious vapors fro:n factorica, or agaiust the selling of arifices contaiuing admix. fures which the unsuspicions or iguorant pur-
chasur is not likely to detect. Under this class of messures is to be found the Alkali, ete, Wonks Bill, the Artificial Manners Adulter: ${ }^{\text {O }}$ tion Bill. he Beer Adatecration Bills, II $p$ Sinb. struter lisi Virgarine Aets Amendment Ball,
 theth B.II. Illese measures, If adopted, will ako ental commer bhle expenditure in the way of itasperion, "halst two of them at least, viz, the Antimei Manure Adulteration bill and thid sade of Foad and trugs Aet Amendment lill, may occasionally lead to considerable expenditure and onnoyance through disputes as to analytical contents of products. Increasiog dilhenlens, u'so, is regard to the manufacturing of the virions articles, which must ariso in whincetion with the tiades regulated under These A 19, must necessarily entail a increase in) the cost of proiluction.

Whilst it is thas sounght to place additioual liabilitics on a number of the produciug industrise f the co.ntry. it is also sought to place the carrying and distributing trades in na in. crasing iletice undet the regulation of Pirlia. moot. I legulativo maximum hay boen texed for tho ratas which railways are empowered to ebarge for the carriage of the variona clusses of gooris over their systems, and similar regula. tinns are in conse of consideration for the re. gulation of the canal trallic of the country. A hill is also befose tha House to modify the conditions umier which return tickets shall be issucd ly railway companies; while further mesures have heen introducel to modify the lidinlity of shipownerp to regulate the carriage of deck cargors, to amend tho Merchant ship. ping Acts, and to establish the couditions under "hich necthant regsels should be movisioned.
The bills thus roughly classified, are a fair indication of the direction in which public opinion is traveling. Thero is a distiuct in. dication of a leaning towards State legulation of everything. $\Delta y$ social existence becomes more complicatel, as population concentrates more and more in particular centres, it is no cloubt necessary to provide that oue section of the community slanll not be prejurliced by the action of the remainder. Therretically, no doubr, it is desirable to place difficulties and pemhics in tho way of froud and adulteration. But is it possible, or oven desirable for the State
andate crerything? At present the State has charge of the postal and relegrapiic systems, and this charge is now to be extended to some evtent at least, to telephony, bankruptey, patent laws, and trade marks are also under oflicial supervisiou. Factory inapection is equal. Iy an olficial function. Our entiro import trade is, under tho Merchandise Marks Act, open to the supervisien of the customs. Is it desirable or mrudent to increase the already considerable number uf fiovermment employecs, and to place noloitional hrauches of natiomal activity under officul superviti,a" If the principle be further alopied, where is to to stop? Is ore half of the nation to besalaried and prusioned to watch oves and regulate the other liaf? Will competii 1 , which has notr become so keenly internanotal, permit of these indefinite additions to the cost of production. Will not over.re. etriction act as a kiul of hounty in favor of fureign productions Is it noi likely that the exprrence of the Murchundise Marks Act may posiibly be renewed, and that an additional secion of trade will be aiverted into the hauds of foreign traders, who will not be slow to asimitate it?

It is clear, botin from the vature of the incas. vres, and fiom such instances as the alinost unopposed second reading of the sil!ali Act that comunercial associations are uot suffetently alive to the daugers to which they inoy be $\in \mathrm{X}^{-}$ pesed by either amateur or official legislation. ( ©rerument departments are naturatly desirous of extendiag their iufuence and nower. They are therefore constantly bringing in bills. or amendin; bills, not only it the comencement of, but often late on in, the session. It is to be fcared that their suggestions ure not always sulficicutly closely watched, and that enactmeats occasionally slip through the fiouse
which, if introduced early in the session, would meet with considerable opposition. The Aikali Bill is a good instacco of these dangers. Brought in Prate in the session, it is an incom. plete and hasty measure, dealing ouly partiallv with tho mattors it is supposed to regulate, and Irafted apparently withut consultation with those interested. The second reading was taken unexpectedly late at night, in presence thmost exalusively of government supporters, and so traters find themselves pledged to a pinciple which they do not acknowledge.
It is sulficiently evident that some more eflicient and clastic organization of the scattered eloments of commercial representation in the House of Commons is necessary, and that eteps should be taken by trading interests to present a more unitenl and effective front in conncction with Bills afiecting them. We trust that some steps in this direction may bu taker in the coming Parliament.- London, England, Chamber of Commerce Journal.

## British Shipping in 1891.

The returns regarding British merchant shipping aud navigation for the year 1891 show a slight decline in the number of vessels, but, an increase in the tonnage as compared with either of the two preceding years. There were in 1891, 17,243 vessels, of $3,343,541$ tons and empleying 2 20,180 persons, registered in the United Kingdom, as compared with 17,425 yessels, of $7,916, ?: 36$ tons, and employing 230,108 men, in 1890 . If the Isle of Man, Channel Islauds aud Britisll possessions be included the total amounted to 30,085 vessels, of $9,961,574$ tons, in 1891, as against 36.214 vessela, of $9,688.083$ tons, in 1890 , and 36.169 vessels, of 9.472 .000 tons, in 1889 . Of the vessels of the United Kingdom in 1891, 11,114 of 3,026,501 tons, employing $81,189 \mathrm{men}$, were sailing vessels, and 6129 , of $5,317,040$ tons, employing 150,291 hands, \%ere stcam vessels, as coinpared witi 11.570 sailing vessels, of $2,893,572$ tons. employing 91,213 persons, and 5,855 steamers, of $5,024,764$ tons, employing 151,890 hands, in 1890.

The entries and clearances, like the tonnage, for 1591 showed increases as compared with the preceding year. The vesse s entercd at ports of the United Kingdom during the year 1891 numbered 372,150 , with an aggregate toncage of $85,612,637$ tons, as compared with 370,075 vessels, with an aggregate tonnage of 84.574 ,324 tons, in 1590 . The vessels cleared in 1891 numbered $3+0,802$, with an aggregate tonnago of $\$ 1,142,105$ tons, as compared with 339.416 vessels, with an agisregate tonnage of 79,766, 033 tons, in the preceding year. The foreign trade tonnage shows a slight, but only a slight, increase ay compared with the preceding year, tice entrances being 36859.015 tons in 1891. as compared with $36,835,712$ in the preceding year, and the clearances were 37,953 ,605 tons, as compared with $37,443,157$ in 1S90. A greater proportionate advance is noted in the coasting trade, which showed a total of 310.770 vessels, of $48,833,622$ tons, entered in 1891, as against 307,210 veasele, of $47.73 \mathrm{~S}, 612$ tons, in 1390 , and 278.600 vessela, of 43.185 .500 tons, cleared in 1891, at compared with 276270 vessels, of $42,317,876$ tons, in 1590. London continues to hold the first place as regards the arnount of tonnage entered and cleared, Liverpool coming second and Cardiff third. Our feature disclosed by the shipping roturn: and upon which there bat been consid.rable comment is the tendency to an increase of the foreign element among the crew's of British ships.-Bradstreets.

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EVILS OF A BIG CROP.
The above headiog inay causo a sentiment of astonishmont to some, but nevertheless thero are many ia Manitoba who will comprehend the full meaning of the words. The onormous grain crops of Manitoba last year wero not an unmixed good. Io fact to many of our farmers it meant loss and dissppointinont. Pocalisr statoments these, but novertheless true, and this fact has become more appareat within the laal two months.
The growth of straw last year was somethiug remarkable. This was a disadvantage from several points of view. The heavier growth of straw meant delay in the ripening of the grain; it increased the quantity and cost of binder twine per acre; $i s$ incroased enormously the cost of harvesting the crop, making perhaps an average of onethird more labor to handle the crop. Where two horses would be sufficient to work a binder in a moderate crop, four were reguired last year, and then sometimes only a narrow swath could be cut.

These disadvantages arising from the enormous growth of straw would of course have been compensated for in the large yield of grain, had other circumstances been favorable. But they were not altogether so-with many quite the reverse. In the first place, the har vest was somewhat lato to start with, and the supply of labor was not equal us the demaud. Hundreds of farmers were altogether unable to cope with the task bofore them of gathering in guch an enormous harvest. The result was, that long after the grain should have been saved, there were thousands of acres all over the country still in stook. To make matlers worso, wet weather get iu, while the work of harvesting was goirs on. Some, in their anxicty to get through with the huge task before them, stacked their crops before the sheaves were sufficiently dried out, and the grain became heated in stack. Many others, in their hurry to save their entire crop, did not take sufficient care with their stacks, and the grain became damaged or destroyed by rain and snow after it was stacked. Many farmers would have been in a better position now, if they had allowed part of their crop to stand in the field, and had harvested the balance in a carcful manner: By trying to save all by hurrying and alighting the work, they in some cases lost large portions of their crop which they had gone to the expense of harvesting and had payed high wages for help. On account of the length to which harvesting was prolonged, it was late before threshing was started, and beforo much threshiog had been done, the winter set in early and excoptionally severe and blantery. Some tried threshing ; the wincer, but the frequent snow storms kept the stacks in bad conclition, and considerable grain was ruined or damazed by becoming mixed with snow in threshing. Others who allowed their stacks to stand until spring, found their grain in many cases badly damaged through wot
having got into the stacks, while some stacks were completely destroyed. Altogatior there was a great losa to farmors from ono cause or another, and although the returns show that an enormons quantity of grain has been markoted, yet a considerable portion of it was sold at a low price, $n$ account of being out of condition.

Allogether, thereforo, the wonderfully heavy crop of last year did not bring that return to the farmers wheh was expected from it. $\Lambda$ moderate crop, saved under favorable condi tinus, would have given battor results When wo consider the great cost of harvosting such a heavy crop, halp being very searce and wages high, and think of the severe loss after the expense of placing the grain in stack had been borne, we can see one unsatisfactory feature of tho case.

Such an coormous crop as was pruduced in Manitoba last year, unlcss accompanied by ex. coptionally favorable weather conditions, is not an unmixed good. Our farmers have too muca land under cultivation, to be in a position to cope with such a remarkable growth, and unless under very favorablo conditions, the increased yield does not pay for the extra risk and expense of azving the crop. Of courso if we could have the making of the weather to suit ourselves, the extraordinarily large crop would have been all right, but coming in a year which proved exceptionally unfavorable for harvesting and threshing, it was a loss rather than a beatfit to many. Ono large farmer was heard to say, cnat if be had burnt one-half his crop on the ground, and given his catire atten. tion to saviag the balance, instead of trying to save it all, he would have como out better in the end, and would still have had sufficient grain to have made upa fairly good yield for his total acreage.

With the usual fine harvest weather which we have in Manitoba; with a more plentiful supply of help, and with our farmers cultivat. ing a more restricted area, and trying to do that well, such a crop as that produced last year would be all right. The lesson of the sea. sou scems to say: Do not cultivate more land than can bo properly handled under even rather adverse conditions. Jarein we think is where many of our farmers fail, by imposing more labor upon themselves than they are able to bear.
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SIAPBS.
The Chamber of Commerce of the city of Grand lorks, North Dakota, has with commendable onterprise worked up a movement in favor of a convention to be held at that place, to discuss reciprocity with Canada. The con. vention is expected to be convened on De :ember 1st next, and commercial bodies in the border s'ates and in Canada, will be invited to send delegates. The question of lake navigation, with special reference to the securing of a deeper channel from the head of the lakes to the ocean, will also form an important matter for discussion.

So far as the question of reniprocity is concarned, it scems to havo been tho idea of the Grand Forks people to agitate in favor of re. ciprocity between the north-west atates and

Western Canada. This is nonsensical. It would bo reasonablo to discuss tho quostion of reciprocity between the two countrios as a whole, but it suems foolish to hold a convention to discuss reciprocity between portions of the United States and portions of Canadu. Such a proposition is impractical to start with, and if the question is to bo thben up on theso limited lines, it will ouly be $a$ wasto of time talking about it. Tho federal governments of neither the United States nor Cinada would consent to such a proposition, no matter how strongly the people on each side of the border, hore in the weat, might favor it. I'he convention, how ever, may do some good by calling public atton. tion to the general question of reciprocity, and it may help in educating people on the other side of the boundary in favor of a more libural trade policy between the two countries.

So far as rociprocity is concerned, it is time the peoplo south of the boundary were making some move in the matter, if they desire greater freedom in their trade intercourse with Canada. They have a deal of work to do at home in making their oyn politicians understand that they want greater freedom of trade with this country. Furthermore, they must make their politicians understand that they must submit to reasonable terms for the extension of trade between the two countries. Canada has sent delegates to Washiogton several times, for the purpose of negotiating, if possible, a fair treaty of reciprocity, but each time our representatives have returned from a fool's errand. On the last visit of our delegates to Washiagton, they were given plainly to understand that the present government of the republic will not consider the questina of the extension of trado frcedom between the two countries-in a fair and reasonable spirit.
This being the case, it is foolish for Canadians to keop up any agitation in favor of greater frecdom in trade matters with the United States. Cauada has sent delegates to Whash. ington often enough. When the United States is ready to consider the question of greater freedom in trade between the tiso countries, in a fair and reasonable spirit, they should come to us.

There should be no objection against commercial bodies in Canada sending delegates to the Grand Forks convention. The friendly discussion of the question will not do any harm, if it will not do any good. Canadians, however, should point out, that it is not our fault that so much restriction has been placed upon trado between the two countries. Both political partiesin Canada have shown themselves ready and willing to make concessions in favor of greater trado frecdom. Our overtures have been received at Washi:gton with indifference, or with altogether unceasonable proposals. Much unfriendly legislation affecting this country has proceeded from tho present administra. tion in power at Washington. At present a savage bull-dog measure is before congress, aimed at this country, and that altogether without reason. The Grand Forks people have therefore a big work before them at home, if thoy have to bring about reciprocity with Canada. Wo wish them success, and assure them that when their conntry is ready to talk sense on this question, Canada will bo foun
ready to enter into any reasonab'e agreement for the extension of trade freedom between the two countries.

The other question which will be discussed at the Grand Forks convention, is one of vast importance to Western Canada and the northwest states. It is a question which has been frequently discussed in these columis. The improvement of navigation between the upper lake ports and tide water, is the greatest commercial question before the peorle of the west to diay, on either side of the boundary. There are no railway or other enterprises approaching it in importance, bearing upon western interests. Western interests on both sides of the boundary are wrapped up in this question, and it is therefore a fit maiter for international discussion.

## A RBMARKABLE STATEMENT.

Some time ago a clipping was forwarded The Commercial regarding a meeting held at Aus. tin, Manitoba, to consider the advisability of organizing a branch of the Patrons of Industry. The clipping was mislaid, but it has again turned up, and there are some points in it which are worthy of a brief reference. The leader of the movement urged the advantage of buying goods in large quantities for cash, which, presumably, could be done through the proposed organization. This is all right. The Commercial has always urged that the long and easy credit system which prevails in Manitolua, is very injurious to the farmers. Furthermore, we believe the farmer should get a good discount for cash, and if they cannot ob. tain this right individually, then by all means let them organize and force it in this way. The Commercial has for years urged that the principle of allowing a sharp distinction between cash and credit business, should be generally recognized. This policy was repeatedly set forth in these columns, long before the Patrons were heard of in Manitoba.

Now we come to a more remarkable incident reported as occurring at this meeting. Oae speaker advocatied that "we (the farmers) should pay our hired help in reasonable time; that we should learn to meet notes when due; and that we live as cheaply as possible until present liabilities are wiped out, so we can start on a cash basis." All this is excellent advice and is moreover very applicable to many mer. chants in Manitoba, especially the reference to meeting notes when due. Such sensible reasoning, how6ver, did not suit one of those present, a Mr. Campbell, who "declared this process to be altogether too slow and recommended that all debts now in.curred should stand until such time as the farmer, having saved twenty per cent. at least, from buying for spot cash, should be able to pay debts previously incurred."

This is a most remarkable expression. We hardly fancy the Patrons as an organization would endorse such an idea. If Mr. Campbell would just follow up his reasoning a little further he would in due time become a first class anarchist. His ideas at least seem to run in that direction. It is probable, however, that he did not fully consider the meaning of his words, and as his ultimate object was to pay the debts, it is perhaps well to consider the expression
something in the nature of a slip of the tongue. If Mr. Campbell has any creditors, however, we would advise them to keep their eye on him. A man who does not understand the meaning of the obligation imposed upon a man to pay his debts in reasonable time, any better than Mr. Campbell does, would at least be a risky credit customer. It would only require one step from the position he takes to lead to total repudiation of such obligations.

## WHOLESOME ADVICE.

The following is from a farmers' paper, l'arm and Home. It is so to the point that it cannot be improved upon, and we give it without comment, save the remark that the first two or three sentences will apply as strongly to business men as to farmers, and in fact we believe many business men are quite as much in need of such wholesome advice as are the farmers. Farm and Home says:

Many a farmer's burden is unnecessarily increased because he and his family think they must present the same appearances and live as well as others who possess more money. True, pride is a very good thing in its place, but the farmer is wisest who has pride and self-respect enough to live within his means, pay his debts and lay up a little something against a rainy day, rather than strain every nerve to wear as good clothes or drive as good a team as a wealthier neighbor. It is because human nature is the same on the farm as in any other bnsiness that this false pride exists. Our cities are full of families who on an income of $\$ 1,000$ a year are trying to live as well and keep up the same appearance as the family with an income of five or ten times as much. Worse still is the tendency among our youth, both in city and country, to feel dissatisfied to begin at the bottom as their parents did. They want to begin where their parents left off. The young man who will go to farming in the same earnest, determined way as his father or grandfather did, with the progress and enligtenment of the present day, may expect to be far better off in 20 years than they were in that time. He certainly will be much better off than the average mechanic who works for day wages and is always at the mercy of a capricious employer and who rarely owns the house he lives in or laya up any money. The recent years of agricultural depression have knocked out much of the false pride among farmers that was gained by the prosperous times before the ranic of 16 years ago. Farming is becoming more profitable and more reapected again. Tbere is no disguising the fact that the tide is turning back to our farms and that farm values are on the upward trend. Lot the way-backs and grumblers try to think so for at least one year and try to make farming more profitable and country life more attractive, and how much better everyone will feel.

## SHORTAGES IN WHEAT.

At Minneapolis, in Minnesota, a state wheigh. master is stationed, whose business. it is to weigh cars of grain. It is well known that claims for shortages is one of the greatest annoyances which grain shippers have to put up with. This is one of the troublesome things which Winnipeg grain men have to deal with. In car lot sales of wheat to Oatario millers, it in almost the general rule that a claim comes back for shortage in weight. One Winnipeg dealer states that his losses on Ontario shipments, on allowances for claims of short weight, amounted to about $\$ 3$ per day. In Minnesota the plan has been adopted of appointing public
weighmasters at terminal points. The weigh. master at Minneapolis has recently made his annual report, in which he states that shortages in cars of grain shipped from country points are quite common, but what is more remarkable, he often finds that cars run over weight. In some cases the weight has been 5,000 to 6,000 pounds over the amount claimed to be in the car.. Our eastern millers never report anything of this nature. Thyy always claim allowance for shortages, bul when the measure is the other way, mum is the word.

## Our Mineral Wealth.

In the annual report of the Mineral Statistics Division of the Geological Sarvey Dopart. ment, just published under the direction of Elfric Drew Ingall, may be found an immense amouat of useful information in regard to the rapid progress now being made in mineral development. As already estimated by us, the output for the year 1891 reached the fairly satisfactory figure of $\$ 20,000,000$ an increase of $\$ 5,000,000$ in four years. Comparing the figures for 1887 and 1891, with reference to the more important products of the mine, we reach the following results, showing how steadily this important iudustiy is growing:

| Products. | 1887. | 1891. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Copper | \& 312,345 | \$1,233,730 |
| Asbestos | 226,975 | 1,000,000 |
| Bricks. | 986,649 | 1,047,811 |
| Building Stone | 552,207 | 708,702 |
| Coal. | 4,753,590 | 7,792,175 |
| Gold | 1,178,637 | 925,486 |
| Petroleum | 595,863 | 1,004,546 |
| Pig iron | 366,191 | 368,901 |
| Py rites | 171,191 | 196,086 |
| Salt | 166,391 | 161,179 |
| Silver | 349,330 | 407,183 |
| Nickel | None. | 2.775,976 |

The asbestos mines near Thedford, Danville and Coleraine, in the Quebec district, now employs over 1,000 men, while the export has grown from $\$ 158.829$ in 1887 to $\$ 528.530$ in 1890 , and the production from $\$ 24.700$ in 1880 to $\$ 1,000,000$ eleven years later. The annual amount of coal produced has risen from $\$ 4,017$,225 in 1886 to $\$ 7,792,172$ in 1891, while the possibilities of production are alnost unlimited viewing the yet unopened regions of the west. In gold we are not doing as well as formerly. Nova Scotia, which has since 1862 produced about $\$ 10,000,000$ worth, in 1890 only showed a product of $\$ 174,000$. British Columbia, which has altogether, given the world $\$ 55,000,000$, produced in the same year only $\$ 494,000$ as compared with $\$ 4,000,000$ in 1863 . However, it is claimed by Californian and Australian miners of experience that in the Cariboo district there once existed, and ultimately will be found, immense obliterated river channels traversing the country upon a higher level than the present streams, which must have received at some time a large supply of the precious metal. The first of these, it is claimed, has been discovered on the South Fork of the Quesnelle river. Nickel mining is growing in volume, and three large companies with headquarters respectively at Montreal, Swansea, England, and Cleveland, U.S., with a host of minor ones, are now actively engaged in production and smelting at Sudbury and the surrounding district. Other important discoveries of nickel are reported from: near Port Arthur, Ont., and St. Stepheas in N.B., and a strong company is being started in Toronto with a view to establishing smelting works there. There are twelve oil refineries now in operatiou at Patrolea, and the large production of Canadian petroleum, $190,000,000$ gallons between 1881 and 1888 , is likely to be vastly increased by recent discoveries in the great Mackenzie basin. Our silver mines are also being rapidly developed, and there is an upward and onward tendency visible everywhere in the develop; ment of the mineral wealth of Canada.-Bankers' Journal, Montreal.


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## Imperial Congress of Ohambors of Commerce.

The fullowing is a continuation of the report of tho ('ongress published in the Candidian Gutetle, of London. Eingland, on July 7th. the first part of which appeared in Tus Comvirichit, last week.
Tho proccedings of the congresh were resuin ed in tho hall of tho Merchant 'Tailins' monpany on Wednesday of last week, Sir John Lublook again presiding.

Tho discussion upon Mr. Medley's resolution which expressed the opinion of the congress that "any fiscal union botwoou the Mother Country and her Colonses and Dopendencirs, by means of proferontial duties, being based on protection, would be politically dangerous and economically disastrons; and that the arrango ment which, more than any othor, would con duce to an intimate commercial union, would bo by our self-governiug colonics adopting, as closely as circumstances will permit, the nonprotective policy of the mother country," was continued. Sir Charles Tuppoi's arnendment was in support of a "slight differential duty" being "adopted by the Imperial and Colonial Govarnments in favor of the home productions against the imported foreign articleg, "

## A free Prade View.

## If the crurse of the debate,

Sur 'l'nomas Farrer said that Canada was now proposing a species of treaty betweon the mother country and the colonizs. but what was the nature of her treaty ! Canda was asking us to impose restrictions on our imports from foreiga countrifs That was a very different thing from Colden's treaties, and. in his opinion, an infinitely more oljectionablo thing. (Hear, hear, and cheers.) The ('spo had done the same thing. In that case 2 per cent. was proposed. Sir Charles Tuppor now proposes i per cent., and wo should get to 15 per cont., 20 per cent. or 100 per cent. if the emaller per centage did nol elfect the object in viaw-tnat of shutting out foreign goods. The wholo trade of Canadu was in exports $£ 20,000,000$ and in imports $£ 2 \overline{5}, 000,000$; and that was all she had to give us if she gave us all her trede. Let them compare those figures with the home trade. Oar imports of food and raw material in 1891 from Canada were ab, ut 21 $\qquad$ while our imports from the United , mous ex. ceeded $£: 50,000,000$. We were to give up $£ 50$, . 030,000 in order to get a problematic iacreaso on $\operatorname{ill}, 000,00$. That was not all. If we im posed differential duties and rejected what came to us from the United States we should cacritice not only what the United States sent us, but also our exports to the United States. C'anada took from 48 £7,000,000 a year, while the United States took $£: 32,000,000$, besides the incalculable amount of service which our shiping rendered tho United States. He asked was it wise to make treaties which would sacrifice our enormous foreiga trade for the very small proportions of the colonial trade " (Hear, hear) Suppose they adopted Sir Charles Tuppor's proposition ; suppose they excluded Vaitrd States corn, meat and cotton -
Sir Charles Tupper: I made no such proposal. (IIear, hear.)
Sit 'Thumas Farrer, contlnuing, said that how a C'snadian farmer was to be benefited, unless to some extent we excluded corn anil meat, by Sis ('arrles Tupper's differential duty he could not say. Would it tend to good feoiing between this country and Capaid if we were obliged to go to our workmen in the east end of Tjondon and to those of Yorkshire, Lateashire and Scotland and say to them, "Your food and your raw matorial which make the mannfactures by which you live-are made dearer to you in urder that you may take Canada to your heart: (Hear, hear.) Again, supposing that the United tates changed their policy and came to the English Government atd said. "We will open our ports to you, we will take off our duties on Eaglish goods, but it must bo on the coadition that you treat our goods as well as you treat
other poods -as well as you trrat Canalins goods :" nad aupposing thon that nur Ginvern ment woro compelled to say "N.,." would that inoreaso the gond fealing botweren 'randa ant this country, Ho was norry that Canada lad failed to rako any arrangement with the Uaic ed States for removing the arthicial barriers set up.

> Tur: "Mckivam Grar."

David Wewes, of Toronto (llomiaion Millera' Aesoulation, sull he was a free trader, lut what ho meant by free trader was that, as in Fingland, a country sloould get hor goods in everywhers. But the Mickinley tariff has changod all that. Daring his stay in Eigglant, business mon had beos comunually ssking him the question: "What shall we do to cure the ovils coming upon us from the MeKinloy tariff", Ho wanted to ask those who represented Brit. ish commerco what good it would be to the British Workman if thour was only \&1 a sack and ho had not got the Cl : (Cneera). And the iatention of the MoKinley tarif was that British worismen should go and spond their time and th ir money in the United States in. stead of Great Britain, and they had started to do it. (Hear, hear.) With regard to tho opiaion expressed that the $\overline{5}$ per cent. suggosted by Sir Charles Tupper would raise tho price of breadstulfs to the same extent, ho (Mr. Ilewes) would venturen to remind them of one or two facts in history. They would remomber the time when it was said that there was going to be a famine in France, and the country consequently lowered the duty. What was the result" Up went the prico of Nour in the Uait ed States just to meet the reduced duty. And then, later on, when Fiance put on the duty, what was the fact "-that the very uevt morn: ing in both Now York and Chicago down to a corresponding degree went the price of thour. (Canadian cheers.) He was not a philosopher nor a politician, but he could not holp lookian at those facts. If the colonies could enter into an agreements sth $t$. e muther country to take her goods, wou d it be of no advantage to Great Britain whethe: the millions of people that were goirs frem this country to the continent of America settled on the prairies of Monituba and the North west or tie praries of tho Unit. ed States? If they went to the Uuited States Gr"st Britain was faced by the MeKinley tariff. and she cuald nut supply those people; but he maintained that the 5 per cent difference, which woull just take 5 per cent. off the price of United States breadstuff - that 5 per ceat. would just tura the emigration, because they would walk across to the British side. (Laugh ter.) And in twenty years from tho present time would it be of no advantage to Great Britain if she had $10,000.000$ of people on the broad prairies on the British side Luying goods from her, or would it be no disadvantage if those $10.000,000$ of people were on the United States side buying goods from the people of the United States? (Loul Canadian cheers.) They would have to look these things eyuarely in tho face. All the Englishmen he had met seemed to have a touch of the complaint called the "McKinley grip," and he had said to them, not as a politician, that the remedy was in their own hands. If they put 3 per cent. on United states breadstuffs and meat they would be sure that before twelve months went ronnd they would have the United States thore trying to make a bargain with rireat Britain. (LJud cheers). The people of the United States would take all they could get, but wonld give nothing that they cuuld help-clianadian cheers)-they might mako up therr minds to that. (Laughter) He was making not bunkam speech. (Hear, hear and laughter.) Whether the great future population would bo American or British was a question that would barely tura apun the autiva of thas cungress. (Enthusiastic Canadian clicers.)
The president asid that no one was mure anxious than himsolf for any thing which would weld wore closely the various communities of the Empire, but he thought the amendment raised sibjects of great diffitulty. Sir Charles

Tuppor proposed to place duties on all articles, including food and raw material, but he himeelf olaimed that the consumer pail tho duties. Tho amendment would involvo the imposition of duties on over 1,000 articles, ard seemed to him quite impracticable. It was said that 5 per cent. was a very small amount. But let them look, for instance. at their textilo indus. tries" The Oldham mills were only making 4 per cent. prulit and it was ovidont that if a is per cent duty on cothon were impused the margin of prolit would bo swep! away, and that great industry would be crippled. (Hesr. hear.) Bingland at present was a great free port, and duties as proposed would most seriously interfrre with uur earying trade. As to tho Alo Kinley tariff, it would ioj tro the Uuited Sitates more than any othor country. (Hear, hear) It had already dove much to eripple the north. orn indurtrios os the borders of Cinada. The McKinley tariff gavo Canada a great opportun. ity. It she woro uow to reduce her duties sho would secure for herself a great advantage ovor the United States-an advantago far larger than the 5 per cent. proposed in the amond. ment. (Cheors.)

## a defmonal matter.

Mr. W. C. Lillis (Toronto board of trade), in tho courso of a vigornus adilross, said ho would ondeavor to ap aak from the purcly Canadian standpoint, and to rellect the opinion of tho commercial centro from which he came Ho thought it was the object of the Lendon Cham. ber, on issuing invitations to the delegates hero to obtain an expression of opinion from the va. rious gections of the Empirs, and uot merely the individual opinions of gentlemen who ad. dress this ineeting. (Hear, hear.) Thoy had had a littlo disagreement in reference to tho Canadian position, and they had had a gontlo. man speaking on behalf of Canada, wno had not had the manliness to say that ho did not represent the body for which he spoke-

The president, interposing, said he feared that any mistake that had arisen had been his. Ho presumod the speaker alluded to Mr. Plewes:
Mr. Ellis said that he alluded to Mr. Woot. Now Canada had in the most cordial way desired reciprocity with tho United States under a policy of free trade, but they bad found that their madustries were being driven out and that their commercial capitals were being tranger. red to Boston and New York. They found, too, that English goods were beiog furnished for their marliete. Well, they desired to stand for British in preference to Uni'r' States interests (hear, hear)-but how a uld they do so if the li,ther Cusutry conticued to treat hor colomes with no better consideration in hor markets than she had for aliens and enemies? H, w could she expect that the colonies would remain, undor guch circumstances, always in a contented condition? But if a differetial duty should be imposed protecting her colonies as against foreign nations there was no question of doubt that a means would have been found of cementing the Einpire inte a powerful whole. And then Canada would be able to supply the Mother CJuatry with all the food products that she neaded, and it was to the Dominion, iastead of the United States of America, that Great Britain would require to look for her future supplies. If a discrimioatory rate was made in favor of the food products of Canada, her favored regions would eoj y an eaormjus advantage, for the flow of emigration to them was certain to be largely accelerated. Concluding. Mr. Eliss said: If you give us the protectin's. we ask we would after a time have the top sail of the imaginary fence that divides the Uniied States from Canada worn smooth by the traffic of farmers passing over it in hastening to settle in our fertile regions. (Cineers and laughtor.)
M1. A. T. Woud (Il mititon) satd he desired to make a personal explanation. It had been thrown in his face that he had acted contrary to the instructions of his board of trade. Now he wished to deny that emphatically. He was appointed to attend the congress, even though his seatiments were well knowa by the board
of trade of the city in which he had lived for over forty years. When he made the statement that a resolution had been passed in favor of having defferential duties it should be remembered that the resolution was passed some months ago. At the time he left home he had no instructions; he was left free to do and to act as he pleased, and he had taken the liberty of so proceeding. He had not violated any instructions, for he had received none. He asked those who made the statement about his violating instructions not to forget that that resolution was passed when Mr. Howard Vincent visited Hamilton, and that it was passed out of compliment to him that they passed the resolu tion. ( Oh , and laughter) And he might add that he himself seconded the resolution-(Oh, and loud laughter)-and, therefore, he said aguin that he came to the congress untram. melled and free, and he asked those gentlemen who had made such unfair references to him to withdraw them.

The President: We cannot go bebind the facts as to the course taken by Mr. Wood. At any rate, we cannot discuss the matter now. It is a question between him and those whom he represents. (Hear, hear)

Mr. F. Brittain (Sheffield) mentioned in the course of his observations that while he could not personally suppoi't the Canadian amendment the Sheffield chamber of commerce would give their vote for it. He would have to be much more despairing than he was of British commerce before he would abandon free trade.
a canadian modification.
Sir Chas. Tupper asked leave to accept the suggestion thrown out in order to mase the issue a more definite one, and to admit the word "slight" and to make the amendment read thus: "A differential duty not to exceed 5 per cent." And also, to remove the impres. sion that this resolution would bind the parties respectively, Great Britain and the colonies, to impose a duty upon all products, to strike out the word "the" and to say "in favor of certain home productions.'

The Preaident: I have no doubt that the congress will allow the change which Sir Chas. Tupper suggests to be made in the amendment, which will now read as follows :
"That in order to extend the exchange and consumption of the home staple products in every part of the British Empire, a differential duty not to exceed 5 per cent. should be adopted by the Imperial and colonial Governments in favor of certain home productions against the imported foreign article."
Sir C. Tupper: I am afraid it would unduly encroach upon the many other subjects to be considered if further time were taken up by this motion, and, therefore, I am inclined to think that we can reach a vote to day. (Hear, hear.)
The President: If there is a difference of opinion I had better take the sense of the congress as to whether Sir Charles Tupper shall be allowed to make the alteration which he has proposed.

Leave was then asked and unanimously granted.

## a french-canadian opinion.

Mr. J. X. Perrault (vice-president of the Montreal chamber) said he supported with great pleasure the alteration in the amendment just put forward by Sir Charles Tupper, but when the resolution was before his board they preferred leaving it to the local bodies to determine what per centage should be imposed according to their circumstances. They in Canada thought that as long as they were colonies of Great Btitain they should be recognized here as Laving the markets for her goods ; but they were prepared, as the consumers of British goods, to give to the working-man of Great Britain a preference of their markets over those of other countries. And that was the practical proposition which the Canadiane practically as 2 whole had come to the congress to submit. He did not know how Australia felt in relation to this question, but they in Canada were in a special condition, as neighbors of the great

American Republic, with its $60,000,000$ of prosperous people, to judge of the relative importance of the subject. Oae half of the population of the Province of Quebec had already crossed the frontier to fill the workshops of the Uaited States, and more were every day taking the cars to go there and get work, because the employment in Canada was not sufficient to keep them in the Domiaion; and that had more particularly been the case since the adoption of the McKinley tariff. They in Canada had the experience as to who paid the duty. Boston, New York, and Philadelphia were the great consumers of the produce of Canada's fields and meadows, and those who sent 800,000 tons of hay to the United States knew that they had to pay 16 s a ton inside to get the hay on the United States market. And yet the payment of that duty did not influence the price of hay one cent at New York or Boston, This was not the first time that the American continent had sent delegates to tell the British people that certain changes would be made in their fiscal arrangements, and the neglect of thoae representaticas one hundred years ago had caused the loss of half of the American continent. He did not say that the refusal of the present proposal would have a similar result ; but still, when every chamber of Commerce in Canada, in face of the unsatisfactory position in which she stoud with the United States, with whom they were not allowod to deal, and when these chambers of commerce had unanimously decided in favor of imposing a 5 per cent tariff in order to give them a just advantage in the Britich market, learned that that claim had been refused, the consequences might be disastrous. (Canadian cheers). As long as they were colonists they were bound to make no arrangements with the United States, but if free trade was the remedy proposed, he could only tell the congress that such a policy was as impossible of adoption in Canada as would be the pitting of a fully grown man against a child. Free trade with Europe, seeing all the responsibility that Cınada had undertaken in the construction of the Canadian Pacific railway and her vast waterways, would mean bankruptcy for the government to-morrow, and the immediate influx of the population to the United States. (Cheers)

## CANADA AND MCKINLEYISM.

Mr. J. A. Bryce (member of the Organizing Committee) said that while they all admired Sir C. Tupper's great rhetorical effort, what he (Mr. Bryce) most admired was the magnificent audacity with which he carried war into the enemy's country, when he declared that Mr. Medley's speech was composed of a tissue of assumptions. In the only way that could be employed by such a skilful general and old parliamentary hand as he was, Sir Charles had brought before the congress new-fangled notions which had not recommended themselves to the people of this country. They thought that Sir Charles was bound to prove his propositions; but, having listened with the greatest care to him, to Sir Donald Smith, to Mr. Perrault, and to the various other Canadian delegates, he (Mr. Bryce) could not discern any warrant whatever for their statements, nor did he find in them any justificstion for believing that Mr. Medley's statements were assumptions. Ore of Sir Charles Tupper's arguments was that a change in the price of wheat would make no difference in the price of the loaf.
Sir C. Tupper: Several speakers have admitted the force of my argument, and, speak. ing from my own experience, I am justified in my statement that, wheat having fallec 104, I am paying percisely to-day what 1 was paying when it was 19s higher.

Mr. Bryce said that his point was the argument was of very little value for genera! adoption, and that it did not apply to the working classes of this country. (Canadian cries of "Oh !")

Alderman Frith (Hecmondwike) said that they were all glad to hear Sir Charles Tupper's views, quite apart from his hign position ia the
colonies, becsuse they knew how loyal and true he was to the Cinadian instinct. This subject had bzen treated entirely either as a free trade or as a protection subjoct, but he thought that this was one of the grandest op: portunities ever presented $t$ the Dominion of bowling out the United States of America. C nada could have said: "They like everything dear on that side of the frontier ; we'll make everything cheap on this side of the frontier." Had that policy been adopted where would the people have settled? H ; maintaingd that no policy would have benefitted Canada so largely as that, for she had through her waterways the whip-hand of the United States. Canada had only to see the advantages which she possessed in order to acknowledge that there was no ueed for disturbance of Eagland's free trade or the imposition of a difforential duty.

## a minokity protest.

The Hon. Mr. Bsllantyne (Spesker of the Ontario Legislature, representing the Woodstock board of trade) said he should not have intervened in the debate, but having received a cable that he had been nominated by the Wuodstock board of trade as its delegate to attend the congress, he felt it to be his duty to stato his views. He noticed throughout the whole of the discussion what to his mind was clearly a misapprehension-an assertion that people of Canada were unanimoualy in favor of a ditferential duty-in favor of a protective policy-that they were committed to that policy; and that the great mijority of the people, in every way that their sentiments could be ascertained, were opposed to a policy of free trade. Well, that was not his opinion -(hear, hear)-nor was it his theory. Hg had opportunities equal to anyone of knowing what was the sentiment of the people on any subject, as his business brought him into contact with them personally and otherwise, and if there was one evidence stronger than another that his view was the correct one, it was furnished by the last election held in Canada, immediately before he left, in the country in which he resid-ed-not in the magnificent country of Oxford, but in the adjoining country of Perth-the north riding of Perth. Now that was a county that had been so manipulated that it was considered at all times safe from the opponents of free trade. But at the recent eleation the people voted straight on the lines of free trade, and posters placarded all over the country announcing the meetings had the words inscribed upon them, "Free trade with Great Britain," and the election was carried upon that issue. (Cheers). He felt sorry and ashamed to hear remarks that fell from different delegates that they were sent to advocate a protective tariff, or discriminating duty. Living as he did in Canada he could tell the congress that the people there needed all the assistance and all the encouragement they could get to enable them to fight the battle. Their friends in the United States needed the same. There was a day when neither party in the Uaited States would make protection the issue. They would not refer to it even; and any one who knew the way iv which elections were conducted in the Uaited States could imagine to day what would be said of the language used in the congress. and it was no exaggeration or misrepresentation to assert that the remarks made by Lord Salisbury at Hastings would be tortured and twisted to mean that Eagland had changed her policy. He (Mr. Ballantyne) could declare that Canada wanted no protection-an industry which was not represented in that congress but which was at the very basis of their prosperity -the farming interest. That was an interest that could not he protected; they hai nothing to protect. What had they found since the introduction of the protective tariff? He was speaking within the mark when he said that the introduction of the protective tariff farming property had diminished in value beyond onethird. He was speaking from an intimate knowledge of farming, derived from personal
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## WINNIPRG MARKRTS.

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The throng of people in town all the week, taking in the summer exhibition and sports, made business active in several branches. The hotels had more business than they could handle, and retail trade generally benefitted by the purchases of visitors. Fruit dealers did a large business of course, and there was a large local trade in provisions. In prices there is very little change to note. Coarse grains have advanced locally. The weather has been favorable for the growing crops, and all grain crops are making rapid progress towards maturity.

## Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

[Quotations below are per bushel for regniar No. Wheat, which grade serves as a basis for speculative busi mess pork quoted per harrel, per bnshel for No. ${ }^{2}$ grade pounds.

Wheat opened a fraction lower on Monday but ruled firmer, and advanced nearly lc, declined and closed about $\frac{4}{4}$ higher than Saturday. Corn gained 1 to $1 \frac{1}{2} c$, and oats gained about $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. Closing prices were :


On Tuesday wheat opened $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ c higher, but declined a little more than the gain and closed at about the same prices as Monday. closing prices were :


Grain prices were lower on Wednesday, corn leading in the decline and was followed by wheat. Prices for wheat fluctuated within a $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ range, opening lower, and closed $\frac{8}{4}$ c lower. Closing prices were :


The wheat market was inactive, but firm on Thursday. Closing prices were $\frac{1}{8}$ to $\frac{1 c}{4}$ higher. Closing prices :

|  | July. | Aug. | Sept |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat.... | 772 | 77 B | 77 g |
| Corn...... | 493 | - | 484 |
| Oats...... | $30 \frac{7}{8}$ | 308 | , |
| Pork . . . . | 1205 | - | - |
| Lard.... : | 7273 | --- | - |
| Short Ribs | 7621 | - | -- |

Wheat was nervous over the possible passage of the anti-option bill and the prospect of a big increase in the visible snpply, closing $\frac{7}{8}$ lower. Closing prices were :


Following were closing wheat quotations on Thursday, July 28 :

> July. Sept. Dyc. On tr'k. $82, h$

No. 2 northera......
Augugt wheat, old, closed 7d ${ }^{3}$, new 781 .
Flour-was weak and dull all around, with buye.s holding back. The output is large
and there is a place for it in old sales. The present lemand is not active for either spot or for forward delivery. Quoted at $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.40$ for first patents ; $\$ 3.90$ to $\$ 4.05$ for second patents ; 2.95 to $\$ 3.15$ for fancy and export bakers; 1.30 to $\$ 1.90$ for low grades, in bags, including red dog.
Bran and Short3-Millstuff was in some request and the fe eling was rather firmer to day. There was a fair amount sold for forward delivery on the late break. Shipments 783 cons. Quoted at $\$ 8.75$ to $\$ 9.00$ for bran, $\$ 9.00$ to $\$ 950$ for shorts, and $\$ 9.75$ to $\$ 10.00$ for mid dings.

Oats. -The oats markets were rather quiet with local buyers taking the offerings above shipping values. No. 3 white were called worth only $29 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ to ship. Local buyers did better on nice samples. Receipts, 5,460 buahels; shipments. 2,120 bushels. Quoted at $30+$ to $31 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ for No. 2 white, $30 \frac{1}{2}$ to 31 c No. 3 white and 28 to 30 for No. 2 and 3.

Barley-Held at 39 to 48 c for No. 3. No. 4 at 30 to 40 c .
Feed.-Millers held at $\$ 15.25$ to $\$ 15.50$; less than car lot $\$ 16.50$ to $\$ 17.00$ with corn meal at $\$ 14.25$ to 14.75 . Grauulated meal, $\$ 20.00$ Market Record, July 28.

## The Cattle Market,

The cable from Liverpool on Monday, July 25, says: "The general supply of cattle was light to-day, but the receipts were heavy and prices were lower in consequence, the finest ateers only touching 6d. The prospects for cattle are very bad. Heavy receipts keep the sheep market depressed, and prices are lower to-day. Finest steers 12c; good to choice $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; poor to medium $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; inferior and bulls 8 to 912c ; best sheep lle; secondary 10c; merinos 9 c ; inferior and rams $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.
The Montreal Gazette of July 25 says: "The markets on the other side continue bad. One or two shippers let out even on some cheap cattle in Glasgow last week, hut the majority of shippers lost heavily, the average being about $\$ 7$ per head. Liverpool was even worse than Glasgow, and shippers refuse to speak about London and other parts. Business is as bad as it can be, but shippers still continue in the trade. It is the same old story. They keep on in the hope that the markets will im. prove, and in the course of a few weeks "fall by the wayside." The list of snippers is becoming smatler every week and it is almost certain that within another month the trade will be in tbe hands of a half dozen men. Cattle are losing money, but sheep are losing more in proportion. A prominent exporter to-day made a calculation which showed a loss of over $\$ 1$ a head on sheep, and those who are shipping say this estimate is away below the mark. The shipments of sheep to date are below the average and are likely to be comparatively small this season if there is no improvement in the British markets. Farmers are forced to sell their sheep now at $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to $9 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{c}$; but the local price will no doubt be much lower in the course of a few weeks or the shipments will cease. Shippers claim to have made some money in the stocker trade, but the shipments to date have been light and no dependence can be placed in the future markets. All cables advise caution and say that the prospects are discouraging.

The Montreal Stock Yards Company, Point St. Charles, report the market at their yards for the week as follows: "Heavy receipts of export cattle for week at these yards, trade quiet and values unchanged. The supply of butchers' cattle was light and short uf the demand, all offerings being readily taken up at good prices. Fair receipts of export sheep, best values. 4c. Medium receipts of hogs, no change over last week's prices. We quote the following as being fair values : Cattle export, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to $4 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{c}$; butchers' good, 4 to $4 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$; butchers' medium, $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to $3 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{c}$; butchers' culls, $2 \frac{1}{2}$ to $3 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$; sheep, $3 \frac{4}{4}$ to 4 c ; hogs, 5 c to 54 c ; calves, $\$ 2$ sheep,
to $\$ 0$.

Trade was bad at the Eust End abattoir Montreal, on July 25. There were about 350 head of cattle offered, and while the demand was fairly brisk prices were generally lower. The best cattle sold at 4 to $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$, and medium stock at 3. to 4 c . There were about 400 sheep offered. Those suitable for shipment sold at $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to 3 a c per lb , and lambs sold ai $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 4$ each. The 150 calves offered sold at prices ranging from $\$ 3$ to $\$ 9$ a piece.

## The Exhibition.

The second annusl show of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition Association, which opened on Monday last and continued during the week, has been a grand success. The first exhibition of the association was held last fali and wis fairly successful, notwithstanding disagreeable weather. This year it was decided to make the experiment of trying a summer fair, instead of the usual fall show, as the fall season is a very busy time with our farmers, and the weather is more uncertain in the fall. This experiment has resulted most satisfactorily. As The Commercial was the first journal here to advocate a summer show, we were naturally somewhat anxious as to the result; but this feeling has now passed away. The exhibition has nobly borneout the arguments previously advanced io favor of a summer fair. The weather was superb throughout the week; the attendance magnificent, and the exhibition itself a decided improvement upon last year's show, in the important features which go to make up an attractive dieplay in a country where agriculture is the leading interest.

The full returns of attendance have not been made up at this writing, but they will at least double last year. A much larger number of visitors from abroad were here than we could hope to have at a fall fair. In live stock the number and quality of the entries were away ahead of last year, thus showing that the country is making gratifying progress in this direction. The stupid arrangement of the cartle sheds, made it difficult for spoctators to get a good view of the cattle, and it is hoped the directors will reconstruct these buildings before another exhibition is held. Even in vegetables, there was quite a good display, notwithstanding that the present season is a late one.
Space prevents a review of the exhibition in detail, but the summer fair is now voted a great success, all around.

## Manitoba Elections.

The provincial elections in Manitoba have resulted about as was expected in the return of the government by verly nearly the same majority as it had previously. In Winnipeg city, all three divisions returned supporters of the government by very large majorities. Mr. D. Sprague, who is a good man and a strong candidate, made the best run of any of the oppositionists in Winnipeg, but even his deserved popularity failed to accomplish his election. A feature of the election is the large number of new men returned by both parties, and there were also a proportionately large number of very close contests. The government lost two or three prominent men, including Mr. Smart in Brandon and Mr. McLean in Dennis, their opponents being elected by a majority of only a few votes. Several prominent men among the oppositionists were also defeated, including the verbose leader of the party, who was defeated by Thos. Duncan, a man of sterling qualities but a new man in the house. The usual talk of protests is going on, but now that the turmoil is over, matters will no doubt settle down to the usual tenor of things.

The stock of Grigor Bros., jewellers, Winnipeg, will be sold at a rate on a dollar on Monday, August 1, consisting of the following Jewellery, etc., $\$ 1,813.62$; furnishings, etc. $\$ 266.64$; book accounts, $\$ 690.35$.

## BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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 Partiea in Britioh tolamta who wam to comminmeate in an was with this phyer, mas apply direotls to Mr. Eustuell at Vatcuarer !

## British Columbia Business Reviem. <br> July $2(6,1892$.

There are about half-a dozen lumbor ships loading, but the trade is stagnant notwith standiug. Shipnents are not protitablo owing to low prices in the fureign maikets.

The machotry suppiy names are yuse and little but repars are being done or pand for The demand sor mining machasery is the toust active and that cones puncipally from the other side.
The market for the past werk has been characterless. liusiacss is firm and better than would he eapected considering the smallpox scare. There have been po failures for the past inonth and altogether there is a better and stronger feeliog to report.

Busine^s in the supply line is quiet but steady, in fact it may be called dull. The principal source of supply for fruits and vegetatles is California, and for butter, eggs, etc., Manitoba and castern ('anada. With the exception of a few vegetables and small fruit the British Columbia crop has not begun to move

So far the run of rockeyes in the Fraser river has been very poor and advices oo Saturday were $t$, the effect that a number of fishermen had laid off. Very latest advices say the rua was improving. So little in the carning business has been doue. Howevor, the salmon uns are always more or less cincertain, and it can never be safely estimated until entirely over.

It is safe to say that the small-pox epidemic is under flrm control. The most strenuous efforts have been made to keep it down and successfully. In two weeks more there will probably be but few cases io hand. As a result of the scare, which was greatly exargerated, orders along the inse of the C.P.R. fur goods from dealers here were cancelled, kut as stated in a telegram to Tue Comamercial last week thero is no danger of infection from that source, as shipments wero made direct from the source of supply and not brought in contract with infected persons or places. It is unnecessary to stato that business has been great. ly interfered with, and more than that a great deal of bad fecling between cities engendered besides the cost of litigation, preventive measures and all the rest of it will be very great. Tro thiogs will result as necessary consequences. umproved quarantine regalations and amended health laws with the powers of local governing thodies more clearly defined. The sorry spectacle of the island and mainland fighting ench other bitterly in the preaence of a common foe was presented. At the outset had a conference of the representatives of the four cities been beld and measures agreed upon for mutual protec tion the firing of local jcalousies and an exhibition of malignant animosity would have been spared us, with all their diro consequences. However, at present all danger scenis to be over.
B. C Market Quotatlons.
 ladies cholco 86 ; prairio lily, 8575 ; $U$ egon $\$ 5.85$; Spokano 55.65 ; Ender
by mills-Premiam $\$ 5.85$; threo atar $\$ 5.75$; two star Sí. 40 , oatmenl castera $\$ 3.40$; Califor nia granulated, in gunnies, $\$ 4.35$; National mills, Victoris $\$ 3.65$; rolled oats castern $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.25$; California $\$ 3.75$; National mills \$3.75; cormmal $\$ 3.10$ : split pcas $\$ 3.50$; poarl barley \$4.50. Rice-Tho Victoria nce mills quoto wholessle: Japan rice, per ton, \$77.50; China rico, do, \$70; nce tlour, do, જ77U; chit rice, do, \$25; rico meal, do \$17.50; chopped
feed $\$ 3.3$ to $\leqslant 3$. , pur tun; bran $\$ 24$; shorts $\$ 25$, oats S 31 tu S.ra; wheat $3 j$ to S40; ull cako S40. Wheat is yuuted in car luta fur foed Nu.ia regular at S21 tu 825 per tou, oate $\$ 26$, chup, barloy $\$ 25$. California malting barley $\$ 26$ to $\$ 27$ f.o.b. in San Franciero. ('sliformia chop $\$ 32$ to $\$ 33$; hay, $\$ 20$; oil cake, $\$ 40$.

Dalks-The masket is well supplied with butter. Demand for creamory is a little slow. Mantola dary has been recelved in largo quantities, and has found a good market. Eastern creanery is quoted at from 25 to 261 c . Manitoha dairy, 16 to 192 ; cheeso, 13 c .
lacos-Easten eggs are quoted at lic.
Pheits, Nחts. ETL-Cilifornia fruits are plentiful and include apples (inferior, plums, peachey, apricots, fomatoes, watermelons brapes and pears In Victoria shipments havo somewhat fallen off temporarily, but have pro portiunately increased in Vancouver. Rasp berries are coming now more freely. Sisily lemous $\$ 050$; cocoanuts, $\$ 1$ per doz; bananas,
 walnuts, 15 c ; filberts, 15 c ; pine, 20 c ; Virginia peanut8, 13 c ; brazil 15c; evaporated apples, He; evaporated peaches, lec: evaporated apricots, Jle; evaporited pruncs, 7 to 8 c California pitted plums, lle; strained honey, 13c; raisins, S: to S: 75; apricots, £l.35: peaches. $\$ 1.50$; tomatoes, $\$ 1.50$; plums, $\$ 1.35$ pears $\$ 3$; apples $\$ 2$; watermelons 40 c apiece; raspucrries $12 \frac{1}{2}$ c.
Sucar.-Granulated 5a; E.C. $5 \frac{1}{2}$; fancy yellow 5c ; yellow 4 ; ; cube 63c ; powdered, sacks itac ; do boxes 7 ?
Fisil-Salmon, je ; halibut, none in ; smelts 6c; sturgenn. je; cod, l to 7 c ; carbs $\$ 1 \mathrm{a}$ dozen ; and clams 50e a pail.
Vegetables-Onions, $1 \frac{1}{2}$; portatoes, California, $\$ 27$ ton; British Columbia potatoes $\$ 22$ to $\$ 25$; cabbage $2 c$; turnips 1.2 c ; carrots $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.

LITE NTOCK, DRESER MEATS, ETC.-Supply very plentiful ; prices unchanged. Live ateers are quoted 4 c ; cows, 3 f c ; dressed beef, 7 j c; lambs $\$ 450$ apiece, dressed, $\$ 5$; shecp. ij3c; mutton, l르; hogs, Sc; pork, llc; calves, 7c; veal, lle.

Meats-Firn and unaltered. Hams, 13! to liju, breakfast bacon, 14 to 15 c ; backs, 13 to 132 c , shurt rolls, 11 to 11 Ac , dey rolls, llc; grcen long clear, 1lc: smoked long clear, l2c. Lard is yuoted as follows :In tubs, $12 c$ por lb ; in pails, 122 c ; in tins, 13 c ; lard compound 11 to 11 fc c.

Lomber-Freight rates, ctc,. renain unaltered from last reports. Shipping in B.C. ports is as follows :


The sealing business dopends on the freaks of fashion. If fasinion prefers sealskins as a winter luxury, skins go up; if not they go down. Fashion is rery often dictated by the ecarcity of a material. The heart of the dilletante craves for whit is a littlo above the reach of the "common herd." Therefore, the catch being lighter this year on the Pacific const, tho probabilitics are in favor of an advance. Uther things being equal the dealers expect it, but buyers, as a rule, aro waiting for the cotire season's catch to be reported. At present, not more than half the sealers have returned Tho weather, tou, has a good deal to do with quotations. If the winter generally begins carly and sovere, it will have a decided cffect on the markec and furs will be in de. mand. So many chings are to bo taken into cons,deration that at the present carly date naming prices is purely speculation. High prices, howovor, must rule to make scaling pay this scason. As pointed out last weck, tho catch being amallor on an avorago, tho expense por akin is higher, and in addition to that, the
carly prospects of high prices cacised tho hunt ers to demand ancreased wages, and on tho whole, unless the demand is unusually keen and prices proportionate, the season cannot be made a profitable one.

## Shoop Graxing In British Columbla.

A nows item in another column is to the of fect that a herd of 8,900 sheep had been driven down from Chilcoten and aro feeding along lot creck rango and that the ranchers in that locality are very much opposed to it. Com plaints of the t uature from the interior of British Columbia have been freguent and as the attention of stock $m a n$ of that province has been turning to sheep raising the preservation of ranges is fast becoming a subject for serious consideration. The chief objection to sheep pastuing on the ranges occupied by cattlo is that they graze very close, which, with their sharp trotters, destroy the roots of the grass, thus causing it to dio and impoverishing the ranges. Of course, sheep raising is a legitimate occupation and it is very difficalt to legislate against it or adjust the intorests between cattlo ard sheop ranchers. What malses the matter of immediately serious concern is that the older cattlo ranges of British Columbia are already overgrazed, the effect of which on the beef in dustry of the province is alrcady boiug felt and which was clearly perceptible last summer it the large and ununusal export of beoves from Manitoba and the Northwest. If sheep are allowed to averran these ranges their destruc tion will be mado complete.
To some extent legislation has been directed towarda a protection of the cattle interests and during the last session of the legiglature Col. Baker, the new minister of immigration and education, emphasized the necessity of action. But clearly, there must be a more definite divi sion of the ranges, and the two, cattle and sheep, kept apart. How this is to be accom plished astisfactorily and fairly to parties con cerned, is a problem.

In any event ranching methods must be re vised in order to secure a permanency of stock raising. More attention is vecessary to the feeding of cattle in the winter. Very few of the ranchers feed and as a result in spring time cattle are too poor for the market. In the north when there was a limited market to sup ply, the over stocking of ranges did not enter into consideration and grass was abundant; but now conditions have been altered, and ensilage or some other system of supply is requisite to maintain the beef supply. The nutritions bunch grass once destroyed seeme impossible to restore and that is just where the danger of the sheep pasturage comes in, and at the same time tho encouragement of sheep raising must not bo lest sight of. There aro those who con tend that sheop raising cannot bo made profit able in E. :tish Columbia, especially in tho in terior. It is probable that the islands of the cosst, \&od the side hills, where the grasses are of a different natnre, dependent upon a humid atmosphero and copious precipitation, are botter adapted for sheep provided thoy could bo obtainable at reasonable prices and adapted for the purpose.

## Bricf Eusincss Notes.

Wm. Eckert, grocer, Victoria, is dead.
Corbett \& Co , tinsmiths, Westminster, hav assignacd.
T. Trencry and Charles Olson, Nelson, have diseolved.
W. R. Brown, of Brown Bros., grocers, Vitoris, is dead.
W. W. Dickinson, butcher, Now Westmi: ster, has assigned.
E. M. Ratreabury, architect, has opened as offico in Vancouver.
A. G. Matthers, gaasmith, Now Westmin ster, has resumed business.

Tho Cargill housa, Ashcroft, has been buroe.' loss $\$ 6.000$, i.ssured $\$ 3,500$.
A. Callender, Fancoavor, has apoaed s.. ffico as accountant and collector.

The Duminiua Gurernment has purehased the steamer larle for quarantine purpuses.

The C. D. Kand, the first of the Vancouver sealers tu return, brought down 50: shins.
Narcisse Paryuctte, geporal store. Donald, has assigned to David W. Bole, of Winnipeg.

Terrence H . Grilfin, Nolson, has boen ap pointed assessor and collector for West Kooto nay.
A. L. Draper, late of Vancouver, bought out the drug business of John Chipp, M.D., Vornon.
The British ship Nineveh is on her way from San Diego to load lumber at Vancouver for Sydney.
The Delta Agricultural Society Exhibition will be held at the Town Hall. Tuesday September 20.
Mr. Page is opening a new butcher shop in Vancouver opposite the new post office build. ing Pender St.

Prof. Sanders, World's Fair Commissioner far Capada, is on the coast conferring with the government here.

Mechanics' saw mill, Now Westminster; notice of salo by sheriff of lands to eatisfy judgment, on July 22 .
H. Y. W. Hehusen, Victoria, has been appointed agent for British Columbsa for the 1'hoenix lirewing Co.
The Surrey Agricultural Association will hold their annual exhibition on Friday, the 16th of September.
Gilley Bros, livery and feed stables, New Westmingter, advertise livery and hack business for sale by auction.
British barqno Zabinia Gowdy, from Mollendo, is chartered to load lurber at Vancouver for Wilmington, Delaware.
New poet offices havo been opened in B. C., at St. Eugene, Mission, Tappen Siding, Yale, and Squamish, Westminster.
G. E. Kirby and H. W. Cardrew, stock rais. ors and farmers, Andorson creek, havo dissolved partnership. Cardrew continues.
W. Turnbull \& Co., contractors. Now West. manster, have made arrangements with therr minster, ha accept 50 c on the dollar.
Fred Rowbuttom has opened a quarry on Protection Island. He has a contract for 2,000 feet of stone for D. Gibbs; of Vancouver.
A by-law guaranteeing 3 per cent. intercat on A by-lar guaranteeng
$\leqslant 300,00$ worth of bonds of the Victoria \& Sydney railway was passed the other day by a vote of 3 to 1 .
J. Mahrer has bought out McKindell, Wolfe \& Co., wholesale liquors, Nanaimo, and will continue under the Girm style of slairer, Wolfe \& Co.
Nessrs. Bell-Irving, Paterson \& Co., have chartered the British barque Glengarry at Rio de Janicro, to losd salmon at Westmingter for Great Britain.
On the last trip of tho Etta White to the north sho brought back with her 23 tons of fine north sho brought Wack
roofing slato from quarry at Jorvis Inlet.
Buchanan's mill, at Kaslo, 200 $\times 50$ feet, is almost completed, and the three carloads of ma. most completed, and all placed in it. This week the whole will bo ranning.
The Maritime Province delegates went down Trom Sicamous junction on Tuesday morning of last wook, and remained at Fernon all day, oxanining the farm and ranch lands.
Bain \& Boyd have sold their mining claim "Dunvagan," at Fish Creek, to Messrs. Fish. " Dunvagan," at Fish Creok, to , ilessss. Fish. down, and the balanco within twelco months.
Smith \& Haguo cstato, grocerics, Nanaimo, wero jobbed off, and the baking basiness was bought in by Smith, who will continue tho bame. The cestate realized about 50 c on the dollar.

The Nanaino Er.uitallo liuneor Sucioty's quarterly report shuws a membership of 7.46 , sales during the past iuarter nearly 22,000 more than the preidus puarter. Tutal galos for tho ifuarter c , y § $\$ 32,111$.

There aro row four hotols at the Okanagan Mission. The vit. John Hotal, the Benvoulin Hotel, the Kulowna House, and the Tom and Jerry ! Iouse. Tho latter is in Short ('ut Valloy and is the latest acyuisition.

The CPR ('o. is calling for tenders for clearing and grading for the construction of the Vaucouver and Lulu Island railway. Tenders will bo received byJ. I) Lownloy, the secretary of the railway, until noon on August sti.
 have been Uruaght down trom Chlcoten and aro feeding along the Hot creck range. The ranchers in that vicinty are very mach opposed to it, as sheep are very 10 jurious to the ranges.
Messra. Bateman, Blackman and Kane, reprosenting the Cnicago syndicate which is examining into the feasibility of tho Canada Western Railway scheme, havo been in Victoria obtaining all the information they can in respect to the matter.
The C. \& K. Nav. Co. intend building a steamer to run on the Okanagan lase. There is little donbt of the C.P.R. being connected with the venture, and the railway will probably find its way into the Okanagan valloy by way of Fire valley.

The Empress of India, for Vancouver, has on board $1,600,000$ pounds of overland cargo, 148 tons (measurement) of silk, 100 steerage passengers for Victoria, 59 for Vancouver, 50 for overland and I6 for Havana. She also has 140 saloon passengers. She is due on July 30th.

A number of buildings have been crected at Nakusp, Upper Arrow Lake, nutably the "Nakusp house," by Cowan \& Madden; Rathwell's hotel, Thomas's hotel, Lemou's store, Bourne Bros.' store, J. E. Walsh \& Co.'s feed store and stables, offices and dvelling; Dave Cowan's blacksmith shop, Holman's real estato office and McDougall's dwelling.

The Huridgives a list of new builuings fur this year so far in Fancourer, a summary of which is as follows:

The Empire Mutual Loan and Investment company, limited, with a capital stock of $\$ 10$. 000,000 , and W. J. McGuigan, B. J. Short, and A. J. Yatterson. all of Vaucouver, as first trustees, has been duly incorporated under the Companics' Act of 1890 . Tho incorporation 18 also gazetted of C. F. Pretty \& Co., Lta., of $W$ festminster; fish dealers and frcezers.
F. C. Blackburv, of Seattle, who has been in the Lardean country latoly, says: "After an exhnustivo personal examination of the Lardeau region, I am convinced it is a rich zold silver section, and a very extensive one. The placer gold found on the lardeau is fairly coarse, and easily saved. Good paying prospects were obtained for cight milesalong the river, begining at a point half a mile from Trout Lake, and extending up to the junction of the north and soath forks of tho Lardeau. The south fork is likely to begood for several miles, as the gold obtained there was considerably water worn, and ovidently came from the auriferous ledges further up the river. The entire geological formation of the Lardeau and Trout Lake region is favorablo for tho existence of gold and bilver mines. Several fine galena ledges have already been found, and tho ore is much above the average grado in silver

Lawrence Kirk has just returned from the Skecna, and says that he thought a good deal of tho "fisheries," or canneries, and regretted
that their market was not greater. When he was up at the skeona all the canners wore ob serting the half-pack arragoment, and wers vory cunservatwe in thers chulce of rish. The Inverness had some 4,500 cases packed; tho Alert Bay Co., 000 ; the Abordeen, 2,300, and the Ralnoral a like number. Mr. Cunuingham had about 6,000 spring tish on his wharf ready for packing. Fifteen thonsand each is the usual pack. but they have limited themsolves mutually, this season, to 11,500, and there will be no difficulty in getting that together. Thero was a good deal of talk up therc as to the lishery Commission, and thore is a kick as to the in crease in the cost of a licenso. They don't much mind the offal-disposal arrangement, although they think it unaecesary thero, but canners du tiaink that they might expect more from the government than they are receiving. It costs them from $\$ 4,000$ to $\$ 5,000$ a year for nets, and they find this is maiuly attributable to the "snags," which ruin the nets.

## Decling in the Rupes.

The large decline in the value of tho silver rupeo is causing serious trouble in India, paralyzing trade and bringing many to poverty. Events taking place at remote distances in foreign coudtries, snch as the demonctization of silver in Germany nearly twenty years ago, and subsequent acts of legislation in the United States, have had the effect to dopreciate the rupee more than one-half, until of late the more rapid decline is disastrous. A Calcutta correspondent, writing to Loadon, speaks of "universal consternation." The effect, the London Times bays, has been to increase the burden of the Indian public debt in sterling by 50 per cent. during the past twenty bve years, quite apart from new borrowings, to reduce large numbers to pecuniary distress, to diminish by one-third the sterling value of all Indian savings or accumulated capital, and no une can at present predict that the rupee, which stood only a fraction below 2 shillings in 1862, will not have to be written off at the rate of 1 shilling before the close of the century, compelling a reorganization of the whole financial arrangement of the Indian Goveroment. It might be reasuned that through the operatiun of gatural laws low prices for the metal would check production, brigging about a state of equilibrium, but this correction can hardly be expected to operate, so long as the United States continues its monthly purchases at the present rate. Uuder this policy the value of silver bullion is maintained fairly well, but al a heavy loss to the Treasury. an expert in coinage statistics calculates that under the two acts of congress, that of $18 \% 8$, under which about $412,000,000$ silver dollars were struck (worth 6it cents at the present price of silver, ) and the act of 1890 . under which to the prosent timo $93,500.000$ ounces have been purchased, " $\$ 64,000,000$ have been suak io the wild expelinent."-Banker's Magazin for Jaly.

## British Grain Irade.

Tho Mark Lane Expross of July 25̄th says that the farmers in the south of Fagland will begin to harvest on the lat of August. The oonditions indicate that the harvestiong will be, on the whole, less costly and the crop more rapidly gathered in than usual. Tho stand which the farmers nade when the valuo fell below 30 s has proved to bo justifigd. The millers now huy more readily at 30s than the farmers are willing to sell. Foreign wheat has advadeoi 18 in esveral important markets ; olsowhero the advance is Gd. The falliog off in shipments from India, added to the firm holding of the now crops in America, accounts for the advance.

The suit between the Caneda Salt Association and the Ontario Peoplo's Salt Company was eottled last week at Toroato in favor of the former, and tho defendant company must therefore stay in the cumbine antil the cad of this year.


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perienco and from travelling over the conotry id purchasing cheoso for export to Eagland. Ho would not bay that that hod been the offeot altogother, but it had beon largoly the offest. The ineresso of the purchasing power of tho people was the only way by which they coulh bo prosperous. They wanted to increaso the value of thoir production. He could toll them that in Oxford, the richest and most fertile county, of which Woodatock was the capital town, thoy had in the population threo to oue of froe traders and Liberals. (Cheors.)

RESULT OF THf: vUTINo.
The president then pat the amendment, in favor of which 34 voted, whilst 79 hands wers hold up against it.
Tho amondment was therofore doclared lost.
Sir Charles Tupper, at tho instance of Mr. Porrault, pointed out the vots could not ba decisive, as it had not been taken in accorchouse with the publishsd rules. Those rules stand that bach Association wipterated at tha congress was entitled to one vote. irrespectuve of the number of its delegates. Ho had nimself not votod, because under the ruic he sould not vote. Hs therofore asked the chairman on the re-assembliug of the congress to put the resolution according to the rules.
Sir Duald Snith - Oaly ono member of the Montreal board voted.
The president stite ithat the universal prac. tice in this country was to take a tort vote as he had done. H; would, however, take the decision of the delegates when they re-assembled, and there could be a vote by cham. bers.
The congress then adjouraed until Thurs. day.
Assembline on Thursday moraing, Sir John l, Lbbuck, the president, sand their Canadian friends did not seem on the provious evening to have understood the usual Eaglish procodure of taking a show of hands, leaving it to any delegate to demand a vote by chambers. It would not, however, he was sure, be the wish of the angress to provent by a technicality Sir Charles Tupper and those who thought with him from haviag the right to the vote to which they were entitled under the rules of the con. gress. H $\rightarrow$ suggested that each cham'.or ah puld write down how it desired to vote and hand the papers to the secretary, and thoy would have an actual record.

Mr. Priest (Birmingham) continued the discussion. If, he said, wo do nothiag fur the alonies, how can we expect the colunes to do anything for us? The Lostitute at Kensington had, however, not been put up for nothing. and he was convinced that, however the vote of che congress $m$ git go, the day was not far distant before they should see an ontire reversal of Eagland's present policy. Lord Salisbury was not the man to eat his own words. (Cheers)
Ihe presitent was then pruceediog to pat Mr. Mcdl-y's resolution, wheu
Sir Char.es Tupper said he was afraid no vote on Mr. Diedloy's resolution cuuld bo taken until the Canadian amendment had been dis posed of. The vote taken yesterday was not in accurdance with the rales and regulations on which the congress had beea organized, and the chamber had vory properly decided that the vote mast $b_{3}$ taken ia ac:ordsace with the rules. Uatil, therefore, the amondment was aegathed on the vote of the chambers, Mr. Medley's resolution did not come before the congress.
Tue president said Sir Charle3 was quite mis. taken in supposing that any informality had arisen. Their frieads from Caoads were not perhips quite converssnt with the method of takiag the vote of chambers of commerce in this couctry, but, though they hail not claimed a vots by chambers at the tiane, the congress would show thom courtesy and ensble the vo:e to be taken now.
Sir Cinarles Tupper : $I$ do not hold that it is a matter of conrtosy to Canada as all.
The presidont: Kaally, Sir C'arles, you havo had your own way.

Sir Charles Tupper : A voto by chambers is the only way of gotting the sentiment of the budios represeated hore, and, thoukh I thank you very much for your decision, I must bay that a yote by chambers is the only regular way of gotting the sense of the congress in ac. cordance with the rulos. (Hear, hear.)

Tho $v$ ste by chambors was then taken, each chamber or association recording its vote in reply to the socratary (Mr. Kenric IS Murray) with the rosult that 33 chambers votod for the amendment anil is $^{5}$ against. The president therefuro dectared the amendenani lost amil cheers.

The Csnadian borlies supportiog the amend. mont numbered 19, and ropresentel the follow. ing places :-'Srantford (Mr. Arthur K. Bunnell; Mr. Licastus Wiman did not, it is under. stood, vote) ; II slifax (Messrs. A. P. Silver, Geoffrey Marrow and (V. Stowart); Iagersoli Mr. A H. Eili-); I.ondon, Oatario (Mr. T. Herbert Marsh) ; M natreal board of trade (Mr. Poter Ledpath and Sir Donald Smith) : Montreal chamber of conmerce (Mr. J, X Perrault and (' E D (Mr. J hu H midry); Oitawa (Mr. Sundford Fleming); l'ertlı (Hr. Juhn Inglis); (luappelle (Mr. H. IS Joyner); Q sobec (Mr. R. R. Dobell) ; St. John (Hina. James I. Fellows) ; Turonto board of trade (Messrs. P. H. Burton, M. C. Fillis, and Elgar A. Wills); Toronto Canadian M snufacturers' Association (Mr. Fiederick Nicholas!: Turo sto, Dominion Mill. ers' Associativo (Missis. Divid Plowes and Arthur K. Buadell), Fancouver (Mr. Joha H -adry) . Victais. l; itish Columbia (Mr. Robert (Vard); Wannipe's board of trado (Messrs. J\& nos E. Scail and James Porter); Wisuipe; grain an l pruluce exchango. Those opposiug the ansalmial numbered two. namely. -H unilton (II . A. 'I. Wood), and Woodstock (The Ha lhis. Ballantyne) The Cinadian vote on the amendment was therefore 19 for and 2 againgt.

## UNAvimous vite por faber imperial.

 trade.Mr. F. F A. (irahsm (Cante-bury, New Ytaland) next moved, as an amendment to Mr. Aledley's resolution, tuat articles the produce or mauufacture of the va-inus parts of the British Empire shall not be subjected to higherbut may be subject to lower-duties than those which may be inposed upon similar articles of foreign origin.

The presil lant put the question and declared it lost, and afterwards put Mr. Medloy's reso lution, in favor of which St hands were held up, the number against it being 43. All the Cinadian delegates who took part in the divi. sion voted aganast the resolation. A vote by esch chamber was afterwar.ls taken, the result beiag anonunced as follows:-גyes, 47 : Noes, 31 . He therefure declared the resolution carried.

Mr. Wiaest, Burmiaghain, afterwards prupos el: "lhat this congross is of opinion that every effert should be antle by Har Maj s:y's Government to promote cluser commermal relations botween the United Kinglum aad her colonies and depsodeacies, and to this end lesires the abrogation of the Eurupean trea'y clauses which at present hinier the same.'

Mr. S. T. Tolson (Dowshury) seonded the m,tion, which was carried unantinuasly.
The resolutions of Mr. Nevile Iubbuck (L)ndon chamber of comaneri: $=$, the discussion of which had been postponed fro n Tuesday, was then dealt with. It was as follows: - "That a commercal antun wath the Bratish Enpire on the basis of free trade would tend to promste its permanence anil prusperity.
Sir Charles Tupper suggested, with a view to promoting some agreement between the roprebentatives of every part of the Empire, that the resulutiva be aneaded by tho adiditiva of ons single letter, namely, the letter $r$, so as to read "freer trade" instead of free trade.

The president: That wuald clearly be a step in the right direction, and it is well to go step by step.

BIr. W. Y. Eispent (Jamaica) secondod the
altoration, whioh was carried unanimously, and the congrass thon passed to othor sub. jects.

OTHER IMDERTAI पUESTIONG.
Mr. C. B. Bjulton (London chambor of cam metse, wairman of the Londun conciliation woard) proposed a resolution in favor of boards of labor conciliation and arbitration in all im . portant centres of industry and commerco throughout the li npiro. The Hon. (I.R Dibbs (1'romier of No:r Siuth Wales), and Mr. Fielding (tremiur of Niva Scotia, supported tho resolution, whioh was carried unanimously.
Professor John D. Wilso 1, I,I, D. (Aberdeen) proposed a resolution in favor of a commission on which the United Kingdom and all the colonies and countries embraced in the Empire should be reprcsonted to c dify the cominercial Isws of the Empire. We were, said Dr. Wil son, far behind the rest of the civilized world in the state in which wo wero content to leave our law The vomedy was of the simplest kind; wo had to codify our law. Sir Duaald A. Smith (Montreal) seconded the motionMr. J. X. ['urrault (Montreal) suggested that the motion should real: "coditication carried out as far as possible," so that existing civil rights should not be interfered with. On this suggestion the motion wa afterwards carried.
Mr. W. H. Brittain (Sheflield) next propnzed that the provisiont of the Merchandise Mark Act should bo adopted and astively carriod cut, in all British cslonies and depsndences in the sams manner as has produced such baneficial rosults in the mother country. I'he Hon. Ta nes I. Follows (St. John, New Brunswick) seconded the motion. Mi. l. H. Burton (To. ronto) did not thiuk the stamping of Eaglish goods had been altogether to the benefit of this country in congeqnance of the arbitrary charac ter of the I'rade Mirks Act. II moved an amendment to this effect on the grouad that the trade of Britain, as the distributiog point, was diverted by stamping the articles. Mr. J. L. Pollock (Paris, British chanber of commerce) seconded the ameadment. The discussion was continsed by several delegaies, including M. A. T. Wool (H\&milton), and the amondment was eventually lost by et to 22 votes, the original motion being afi rwards carried.

Sir Fıederick Young (Loadon) proposed: "Thit colonization, while -qually desirable as an outlet for our congested population and for the development of the colonios, can be carried out most successfully by individual energy and enterprise, and private agencies supported by stato aid." James E Steen (Wınnipog) supported in a speech, which pressure on space prevents our reparting this week, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. W.T. Rowlett (I.eicester), in the absenco of Mr. Samuel Montague (I, andou) proposed.-

That the iatroduction of a decimal system of weights, medsures, and money is urgently needed, in order to increase our foreiga trade, facilitato commerce, and render elementary clucation more effective and less oxpensive." Mr. I. X. l'errault (Montreal) proposed tho folluwing additiun to the resolution. "That the ('snadian decimal system of currency, which answers all purpssas, be oxtonded to tho other portions of the British E npire, the pound sterling to be equal to five dollars and the shilliog to 2 J c." He maintained that the present Rritish currency systom was difficult for foreigners to understand, diffizult to apply to the Euglish people, and difisult in the commercial tranactions of the world. Mr. C. E. Uelorme Montreal) secondeil the adjition, and after Sir Philip Magus hal declared that personally he was ia favor of tho motion ia Me. Montague's name, becauso it dili not defne tho system of coinage to be adopted, anil after a fow remarks from Mr. Steen, the president pat it to the mseting whether they approvel the addition of the words suggested by Mr. Per rault, and the voto was in the negative. He afterwards submitted Mr. Montagu's resolu. tion, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. P. Arnold• Foster a motion was passed in favor of Imperial penny postage.

The next motion on the paper was in favor of "the extension of direct telegraph comraunlcation between the component parts of the British Empire," but the president stated that Sir George Buden Powell, in whose name it stood, was absent. $H$; therefore thought that it might be withdrawn. This was agreed to.
Mr. Poter Ridpith (Montreal) proposed :"That this congress take steps towards procuring such change in the sysiem of maintaining the lighthouse service of Great Baitain as will relieve shipping for any direct charge therefor, and the shipping of the Enpire from liability to retaliatory taxation by foreign countries." Sir Donsld Smith (Montreal) seconded, an Mr. Plummer supported the motion, which was carried.
Sir Donald Smith proposed a resolution re questing the London Chamber of Commerce "to take the necessary steps for carrying out the saveral resolutions of this congress." The resolution was carried.

Oa the motion of the President, a vote of thanks was passed to the Merchant Taylors' Company for the use of their hill.

William H. Levia (Wellington, New Zaaland), proposed a resolution heartily thanking the London Chamber of Commerce for organiz. ing the congress and for its generous hospitality to the delegates. (Cheers) Hə had no doubt that the seeds which had been sown in the last few days would take deep roots, and produce a rich harvest. (Hear, hear,) Hospitalities had been showered upon the delegates both publicly and privately, for which they felt deepi'y grateful. It had been regarded by the del gates as a distinguished privilege that the congress had been piesided over by Sir John Lubbock. (Cheers) The motion was carried, the delegates rising and giving three cheers. The President, in acknowledging the compliment, said he thought that on several points which had been discussed they had drawn nearer to an understanding than previously.

## banquet at st. James's hall.

The delegates were enterained on Thursday evening by the London Chamber at a banquet at St. James's Hill. Lord Knutsford presided, and among the distinguished company present were Sir Charles Tupper, the Hin. C. H. Tupper, and the Canadian delegates at the congress.
Sir John Libbock, in proposing the toast of the "British Enpire," said it was one that went atraight home to the hearts of all present. The time must never come when the empire should be separated. The colonies were all loyal to the crown and proud of one another. At no time in the history of this country had a better feeling existed between the colonies and the mother couatry than at present. (Cheers.) He had great pleasure in coupling with this toast the name of one so well known throughout the whole of England and Cinada as Sir Charles Tupper. (Cheers.)
Sir Charles Tupper, who was warmly receiv. ed, said-In spite of the opinions of those who are not in unison with this great emplre, I think I may safely say that Eagland never oc. cupied a geater, a more distinguished, and grander position than she occupies to-day. (Cheurs.) The prosperity that has marked the illustrious reign of our beloved Sjvereign has snown that England has advanced by leaps and bsunds to a position of prosperity and of progress that has never beeu equalled in the history of the world. (Cheers.) When I say that of England, I look to the outlying portions of the empire. and I feel that great as have been the progress and prosperity of the msther country-for we not only call Eagland home, but we, and all the colonie 3, call England the Mother Country-(Cheers) - they have only kept pace with the remarkable development of the colonial sections of lhe Enpire. (Hear, hear.) I feel that in no period hiss Eugland reached a higher position than she occupies to-
day, ana I may say that never in the course of her history has there been more loyal devotion from every part of her colonial domains than exists at present. Speaking as I do for a large portion of the Empire, I say we are proud of our connection with the mother country, and we feel that in the glorious British institutions we have such a security for life and liberty that is to be found in an equal degree in no other part of the world. (Cheers.) This Empire should be united by ties of the strongest description and of the most enduring character. (Hear, hear) I congratulate you, Lard Knutsford, upon having had an opportunity of presiding, with your usual tact over that great colonial conference which a few years back took place within this metropolis, and I congratulate you still more upon the part which you have performed, in conjunction with Sir John Lubbock and the organizing committee of the London chamber of commerce, in receiving this great congress which has now assem bled from every portion of the Empire. (Cheers.) I need hardly say that the response which has been made to the invitations tendered to all the colonies and India is one which can only be regarded with the very highest satisfaction ; and I do not believe it is possible to overrate the vast importauce of the assembling of this congress in the city of London. The advantage to the colonies in being brought into contact wjth the statermen and merchants and the commercial influences of this the greatest commercial metropolis of the world cannot be over-estimated. And I believe it is equally advantageous to the people of England and the men who have so much to do with the maintenance of the commercial position of this country, to have an opportunity of exchanging opinions with gentlemen from the remotest sections of the Empire. (Caeers) I am confident of the integrity of the Empire, and I have always sald that the colonies have a deep interest in maintaining their union with this country. We were reminded by the gentleman who responded to " Army and Navy" of the gallant manuer in which New South Wales -whose Premier we have the pleasure of seeing here to-night-sent a contingent of volunteers to the Soudan. I have no hesitation in saying that that loyalty to the Crown was re-echoed throughout all sections of the Empire, and I believe that the importance and influence of that act upon foreign countries was one that could hardly be overiated. For foreign countries then found that if occasion arose they would have to reckon, not only with Great Britain, bnt with the whole Empire. The same spirit existed in Csaada and in all the colonies, and the only diff sulty the colonial secretary had was to answer the applications from every one of the colonies for the reception of volunteers. (Cheers.) Indeed, the volutiteers of Cınada played a not unimportant part on that occasion, and no less an authority than Major General Brackenbury, who conducted the expedition, vouches in his book for the fact that but for the presence of the Canadian voyageurs the ascent of the Nile would have involved far gieater loss of lifo, and the descent would, indeed, have been impossible. French, Irish, English and Scotch Canadians were one and all standing shoulder to shoul ler, ready at any hour when their services might be required by the mother country, and they will be found on all occasions prepared to do that which every British subject in all portions of the Empire will be ready to do-io combine with one will for the protection of the Empire. (Cheers,) As I said before, I have always had perfect confilence in the integrity of the Empire, but that confidence has never been greater or stronger than during the last two days when attending tive iuterestiog discussions that have taken place at the Merchant Taylors' Hall. (Cheers.) We have not on every occasion been able to agree entirely as to what, under existing circumstancea, was the best line to take, but we have all been animated by one common sentiment-namely, to arrive at that conclusion which would best promote the grandeur, the progress, and the prosperity of every portion of
the Empire. It would not be easy to overrate the value of that interchange of opiniou. I will not detain you longer than to express my hearty thanks to Sir John Lubbock fur the kindly aud able manuer in which he has presid ed over our deliberations. (Hear, hear, and cheers.) I have sometimes thought that it was quite possible that the idea might flash through the mind of our distinguished chairman that the course pursued by the assembled delegates would not reflect any discredit even upon that grandest deliberative assembly in the world-the House of Cummons of England. (Cheers.)

The beet root sugar industry in Quebes province, says a Montreal paper, has received a bad blow by the failure of the West Farnham Beet Sugar Company with liabilities of some $\$ 30,000$ and assets of only $\$ 9,000$. The com pany was composed of a syndicats of wealthy French capitalists. Among them was Baron Desellier. The factory was started in 1889 The cause of the failure is attributed to the fact that since Desellier's marriage to a wealthy New York lady and his subsequent removal to Yaris, where he now resides, he has taken little interest in the concern. It is learned that French capitalists interested in the venture are not responsible for any of the liabilities. They were not incorporated or registered in Canada, and only Alfred Musey, who has been the managing director of the factory, and Dssellier can be held responsible 70 the creditors.

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## Toronto Markets.

Flour-Firmer, with rathe more enquiry. On call $\$ 3.70$ was bid for straight roller f.o.c.

Wheat-Holders were firm, but the tone of the market was hardly as strong as yesterday. Rod and white offered north and west at 77 c straight with buyers at 763 . Spring quiet with little enquiry. There appeared to be very little moving in $M$ initobas. N). 1 hard was held at $\$ 1$ all rail and 950 lake and rail. No. 2 hard offered at 9 ) all rail No. 3 hird at 82 c and at 77 e lake and rail. N J. 1 regular sold at 61c North Biy for one car.

Osts-Firm and in demand on export account. There were sales here at 32 c . Oatside bids of 29 and 30 were made for white; odd cars sold at $28 \frac{1}{2}$ to 29 c .

Grain and flour-C'ır prices are: Flour (Toronto freights), Manitobs patents, $\$ 4.80$ to $\$ 4.90$; Manitobl strong bakers', $\$ 425$ to $\$ 1.40$; Oatario patents, $\$ 3.9$ ) to $\$ 4.10$; siraight roller, $\$ 3.60$ to $\$ 375$; extra, $\$ 3.20$ to $\$ 325$; low grades, per bag, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.50$. Bran- $\$ 11.00$ to $\$ 11.50$. Shorts- $\$ 12$ to $\$ 13$. Wheat-'straight west and north points)-White, 76 to 77 c ; spring, 73 to 75 c ; red winter, 76 to 77 c ; goose, 62 to 63 3 ; No. 1 hard, N.B., 95 c ; No. 2 hard lake and rail, 84 to 85 c ; No. 3 hard, 75 to 76 c ; No. 1 regular, 59 to 60 c . Peas- 59 to 60 c . Barley-No. 1, 52 to 54 c ; No. 2, 49 to 492 ; No. 3 extra, 45 c ; No. 3, 42 to 43 c ; two rowed, 54 lbs averaging about No. 3 extra in color, (outside, 45 to 50 e. Corn-55c. Buckwheat -Nominal. Rye-Nominal. Oats- $31 \frac{1}{2}$ to 32c.

Apples, dried-Unchanged and quiet; small lots are held at $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to 4 c ; evaporated apples are quoted at 6 to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.

Beans-Very dull. Dealers are asking \$1.10 to $\$ 1.25$ per bushel out of store.
Eggs-Supplies were light and the market firm at $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ for firsts; seconds were held at 9 to $9 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.
Hides, etc.-Car lots of cured are selling at 5 c ; green are quoted at $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; No. 2 at $3 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; No. 3 at $2 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. Skins-Receipts of lambskins large; prices unchanged at 40 c ; pelts 3 Jc for city inspected; calfskins are selling at 5 to 7 c .
Honey-The demand is dull. Extracted sells at 8 to 10 a in trade lots.

Hops-A few small lots only are moving out. Canadians, 1891 crop, are held at 22 to 24 c; yearlings at 16 to 18 c .
Tallow-Fasy. Daslers pay 5c for rendered and 2 c for rough. Trade lots of the latter sell at $5 \frac{1}{4}$ to $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.

Wool-offerings of new continue large. Dealers pay 17 c . Super pulled wools sells at 22 c ; extras pulled at $25 \frac{1}{2}$ to 26 c ; pulled combing at 18 c .

Provisions - In some instances $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ was asked for smoked hams to day and it seems likely that this price will be an established fact in a short time. Quotations are: Mess pork, United States $\$ 13$ to $\$ 14$; do American or Canzdian (new) $\$ 14.75$ to $\$ 15.50$; short cut $\$ 16$ to $\$ 16.60$; bacon, long clear per lb $7 \frac{3}{4}$ to 8 c ; lard, Canada, tubs and pails $9 \frac{1}{2}$ to 93s ; compound do 7 to 9 . Smoked Meats Hams per lb (new) $10 \frac{3}{4}$ to 11c; bellies per lb $10 \frac{1}{2}$ to 11 c ; rolls per $1 \mathrm{~b} 8 \mathrm{y}^{3}$ to 9 ; ; backs per 1 lb 10t to lle.

Buter-To day's receipts were light and the market was firm. The demand is active for all kinds of butter and no accumulation takes place. Considerable common store packed butter is being shipped east. It is held at 12 to $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; selected sell at 13 to $13 \frac{1}{2}$ :. Dıiry butter sells at 14 to 15 c for good to choice grades in tubs and pails.
Cheese-New cheese, choice colored, on track $8 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{c}$; jobbing at 9 to $9 \frac{1}{2}$.
Cattle-Although not quotably changed in price, export cattle were perceptibly weaker owing to the heavy supply. Exporters, however, were most decidedly "in the market" today at lower prices. A number of loads of extra choice shipping steers sold at 5 c per lb ,
but the bulk of the offerings changed bands at $4 \frac{1}{2}$ to $4 \frac{3}{3}$, " short keep" and common export cattle selling at from $44^{c}$ up. A great many of the former are coming in now, and they apparently find no diff sulty in selling. With an active demand the market was pretty well cleared before the close. There was a fair local demand for butchers' cattle, considering the siason of the year and the hot weather. Choice cattle were firmer in price, but for common and inferior no change was noticeable, these latter being very slow of sale.
Stockers-Offerings were liberal. Prices ranged from $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to 4 c per Ib , very choive, however, only selling at the outside fisure. Ose load of 25 , averaging $1,050 \mathrm{lbs}$, sold at $\$ 3.83$ per cwt; one load of 20 , averaging $1,000 \mathrm{lbs}$, at cwt; one loar
$\$ 3.62 \frac{1}{2}$ per cwt; 30 , averaging $1,04 j \mathrm{lbs}$, at $\$ 3.75$ por cwt.

Sheep and lambs-Receipts in this line continue heavy, over 600 coming in to day. Export sheep sold at $\$ 425$ to $\$ 5.30$ each. A large proportion if to-day's offerings were lambs, which were sold at $\$ 2$ to $\$ 425$ apiece. A fairly good demand was reported for these, although the recent heavy supplies have weakened prices.

Hogs-The market was active and firm, although the run was heavy. The best choice medium fat hogs sold as high as $\$ 5.75$ per cwt, weighed off car. The bulk of the offerings sold at $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.50$ per cwt. Stores brought $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 4.90$ per cwt. Rough and fat hogs were slow at quitations. - K'mpire, June 23.

## Montreal Market.

Flour-The only new feature worththy of note is still the demand for Newfoundland, about 4,000 bbls of straight trollers having been placed during the past few drys. Outside this trade, however, tine market continues very quiet. There is some enquiry for English account, but at prices which holders state there is no profit in although a few lots have been going forward of late. There have been sales of straight rollers on this market of late at $\$ 3.90$ to $\$ 3.95$ on track here, while other sales have transpired at $\$ 4.00$ and over, but these latter are said to be no criterior of the market, as the flour was required for immediate shipment by a certain vessel for the pressing needs of the New . foundland sufferers. A round lot of extra was sold at $\$ 3.2$ j on track here, and another lot was reported at a higher figure for Newfoundland, but it is said the price would not be paid to-day. Ia Manitoba strong bakers, there have been sales at a wide range of values, all the way from $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.3$ j, while choice City strong bakers have been placed at $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 4.50$. In bag floor there have been transactions in extra at $\$ 1.47 \frac{1}{2}$ to $\$ 1.50$, in straight rollers at $\$ 1.95$ to $\$ 2.00$, superfine at 1.35 and fine at $\$ 1.20$. The competition in the flour trade is said to be very keen just now, millers have found it necessary to guarantee buyers against future losses until the fisur is actually consumed, in order to induce business.

Oatmeal-There is very little to report in this market, the consumption of oatmeal being down to its minimum. The export trade has not been a profitable one this season, some heavy losses having been made on the shipments of western millers. R olled and granulated $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 1.05$, Standard $\$ 3.90$ to $\$ 3.9 \mathrm{j}$. In bags, granulated $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 205$, and standard $\$ 1.9 J$ to \$1.9j.

Millfeed-The market is quiet, at $\$ 12.03$ to $\$ 12.50$ for bran and $\$ 1350$ to $\$ 14.00$ for shorts. Middlings $\$ 15.00$ to $\$ 15.50$ and $\$ 16.00$ to $\$ 20.00$ for moullee as to grade.

Wheat-A lot of 6,000 bushels of No. 3 hard was offerod afloat here at 73, but the best bid was 72 c . No. 2 hard is diffi yalt to quote, different parties expressing different views, which range from 85 to 87 c . Now that a good crop of Oatario wheat is promised, farmers are more disposed to offer the remainder of their

Oats-Further business is reported in oats at 34c afloat for No. 2, and $33 \frac{1}{2}$ to 3 tc for No. 3 per 34 lbs . Sales of 40,000 bushels are reported west of Toronto at 29 to 30 c f.o.b. for export.
Barley-Very little is reported in this cereal, $f$-ed barley being quoted more or less nominal 39 to 42. M lling grades at 48 to 552.

Butier--Creamery butter appears to be difficult to move in this market either for local use or export. A round lot of the last half of June was offered at 191 c and cabled to the other side, but it brought no response. Shipments, however, have moved out inore freely of late, making the total exports up to the close of last week 6,676 packages against 9,547 packages for the corresponding pgriod last year. In dairy butter there is a jobbing trade passing at $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ to 18 c , Morrisburg bringing about $\mathrm{s} s \mathrm{me}$ prices. Western has sold at 15 c for fine dairy packed, and we quote 14 to l5c, selections bringing $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ for Newfoundland There is a large quanticy of creamery still in'store here.

Chease-Notwithstanding the heavy exports, prices keep up surprisingly well, in fact beyond the most sangune expectations of th3 trade, the shipments going forward this waek costing 8 等 to 9 for finest white, and colored, and $8 \frac{1}{4}$ to 8 hc for underpriced goods. Sales of about 3,000 boxes of finest colored reported at 8ase to 9 c , and about 1.500 finest white 8 ac c . Whether prices will be sustained under the enormous shipments that continue to go forwsrd remsias to be seen, this week's shipments, including the Liverpool and London steamers which ssil on Siturday, being estimated at obsut 119,000 boxes. Cuunty markets hsve been very steady, with sales at 85 c for white and $8 \frac{3}{3}$ to 9 ; for colored, which are the identical values quatel in this market.
Egge-Receipts continue liberal, and were it notis: the extra export demand prices would undo 1 ') tedly sag, as the local consumptive demend is $r$ athe: slow at the moment. Shipments are going forward that have been sold at 6 s 2 d to 6351 per 10 dozen f.o.b. here, for the Liverpool market. The new crop will commonce to arrive in sbout two weeks from now ; when it is expected there will be a good demand for England. Sales have been made in this market at llc, a few single cases of fine stock having realized $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. The recent hot spell has efiected some of the shipments receiced here, allowances having had to be made of 3 dozin per case of 30 dozen.

Wool-The market for wool is keeping firm all round, and buyers are beginning to realize that if they put off purchasing any longer in the hope of getting their supplies at lower prices, they may be disappointed. The London wool sales closed last Thursday, iustesd of Tuesday, this week, or three days earlier than was expected, as the offerings fell short of what was counted, and prices at the close were firmly maintained. The feeling in the States is strong, and some of the large manufacturers are quietly purchasing for future delivery. Our local market is gradually gathering strength, and we hear to-day of a merchant actually refusing to sell because the terms asked did not meet his views. This shows that holders are getting more independent in their view, and they are strengthened in their ideas by the way that local stocks are gradual ly declining. There is no Cailian merino in the market at present, so our quotations are with drawn. We quote :-Greasy Cape, $1 \overline{\mathrm{~J}} \mathrm{c}$ to 17 c ; B.A. scoured, 33c to 38s ; North-west, 15c to 16c.

Hides-The hide market is in about the same condition as it was last weeels. Calfskias are abjut the same; but a buyer is on fiom the Fastern States and is picking up quite a few lots, as he can give a better value than tanners here, who are not particularly anxions to purchase at all. Lambskins are about the same as they were. The fight is assuming a sort of every day aspect, and there is less excitement about it than there was. Wd quste:-No. 1, 5 c ; No. $2,4 \mathrm{c}$; No. 3, 3c ; tanners are paying $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ more ; lambskins, 40 to 4.5 c ; clips, 3) ; colf. skins, 5c. -Trade Bulletin, July 23.

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## The Commercial Pioneer.

The commercial pioneer is a latter day pro duct of the United States. He is sent abroad by the Washington authorities as a kind of general-official-national-patriotic-commercial traveller. He does not represent any particular firm, ring or interest; he simply represents the raw materials and the great staple products of his country. Muize, tinned beef, cases of fruit, and the American pig find in him an eloquent expounder of their virtues. He interuiews European ministers of war and impresses upon them the sdvantages in the canteen of United States flour and pork. When the crops failed last autumn he appeared in Russia and Germany, and brought to the notice of the authorities the stocks of maizs ready for shipment from the United States; and the result is that bread formed of maize aud rye flour is now largely used on the continent. This pioneer work is done by the natioual agent; individual firms and private traders in America reap the advantage. In brief, the commercial pioneer is wanted; and we shall be surprised if he is not adopted as a permanent member of the civil service. At this moment the British colonies with surplue fruit, banana flour, meat, and wine might well be employing half-a-dozen commercial pioneers to advance the sales of these products in European markets.-The British Trade Journal.

## Grover Talks Sansa.

At a reception in New York, Mr. Cleveland, in responding to Mr. Wilson, said that never had a great party, intent upon the promotion of right and justice, had a better incentive to effort than is now presented. The people are burdened as consumers with a tariff system that demands from them, in the purchase of the necessities and comforts of life, an amount scarcely met by the wages of hard and steady toil. Continuing, he said "We see the farmer listening to a delusive story that fills his mind with visions of advantage, while his pocket is robbed by the stealthy hand of high protection. Our workingmen are still told the tale oft repeated in spite of its demonstrated falsity, that the existing protective tariff is a boon to them, and that under its beneficent operation their wages must increase, while as they listen scenes are enacted in the very abiding place of high protection that mock the hopes of toil and attest the tender mercy the workingman receives from those made selfish and sordid by unjust governmental favoritism. We denounce the theory of the existing tariff laws upon the high. est possible grounds when we contend that in the present conditions its operation is unjust, and that laws enacted in accordance with it are inequitable and unfair.

## An Interssting Coontry.

All regular subscribers of The Commercial will this week receive, in addition to the regular issue, a supplementary number devoted to the new but already fainous Kootenay country of British Columbia. This wonderful region, believed to be one of the richest mineral sections in the world, is attracting a great amount of attention, and in order to supply reliable information about the country, The Commercial has undertaken the publication of this supplementary number. This is the first publication which has appeared giving a general history of the Kootenay. The matter is all original, save of course such quotations as are noted in the work, and has beea prepared specially for The Commercial, by our resident staff in British Columbia. The engravings, it will be noted, are as fine as the printing art can make them. Several thousand copies of this supplement have been issued for special circulation, besides going to regular aubscribers.

## The Canals Trouble.

The Dominion Government has amended the order in council of April 4 last renewing the tebates granted on Welland canal grain tolls the preceding year by striking out the word "Canadian" in one of the clauses so as to make the right to rebate there given extend to any portion of cargoes lighted at Port Colborne and
re-shipped at Port Delhousie, and also to shipments of the products mentioned made from any Lake Ontario port. In the order-in council as printed the word "Canadian" appeared the words "Lake Ontario port." Secretary Foster, of the State Dapartment, who thas been interviewed in reference to this action of the Canadian government, is quoted as saying that it has no particular bearing on the controvarsy between this comatry and Canada on the subject of discriminating canal tolls; that the order applies only to exports from Montreal, and makes no change whatever in the canal tolls on grain shipments intended for export from any other port, and that it could hardly be regarded as very much of a concession.-Bradstreet's.

## The Champion Wheat.

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