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WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 3, 1895.

## Manitoba.

The balif is in possession of the stock of Philip Brown, tailor, Winnipeg.

A party named Geo. Garrett is said to be negotiating to secure a bonus to start a glove factory at Brandon. He wants \$5,000 bonus.

On Friday night the safe of G. F. and J. Galt, Winnipeg, was robbed of the sum of \$90.

The new Hotel Manitoba, at Morden is about completed. This will give Morden one of the best hotels in Manitoba outside of Winnipeg.

There is considerable opposition to the proposal to appoint A. W. Ross collector of customs at Winnipeg. Mr. Ross is certainly an unpopular man in the city, even among the Conservatives.

THE Winnipeg Tribune has unearthed another huge swindle. Last Wednesday it published editorially another cock and bull story, purporting to show how the farmers are swindled by a manipulation of the inspection of wheat. It is hardly necessary to state that the story is utterly false and just about on a par with many other things the Tribune has said about the grain trade. We have not space to enter into details to refute the yarn. To those who understand anything about the grain trade, the story carries its own refutation with it. It is simply absurd.

## Northwest Ontario.

Mr. Dickens manager of the Bank of Ottawa branch at Rat Portage, has been transferred to Portage la Prairie.

Mackay Bros. are closing out the balance of their stock at Rat Portage, preparatory to moving to Winnipeg, where they go into the dry goods trade. They were formerly in business at Port Arthur, so that it will be seen they are gradually working westward.

A very rich exposure of ore has been turned out at the Gold Hill mine, Rat Portage district, says a correspondent. It is said by those who have seen it that it surpasses anything heretofore seen in the district. The Dominion Gold Mining and Reduction company is the corporate name of the company working this mine. They have now a mill at this location in full working order.

The reduction works at Rat Portage which were also purchased by them, have been overhauled and new machinery added and is now ready to be operated.

## Alberta.

Harold Gruner, Arthur Roirland and William Adams, of Okotoks and Henry Meyer and John D. O'Neill, of Calgary, are seeking incorporation by letters patent as the Okotoks Irrigation Company, with headquarters at Calgary. The proposed capital is \$10,000.

E. J. Cann, formerly with Parsons, Bell & Co., of Winnipeg, is opening a bookstore at Edmonton.

## Assiniboia.

Another incendiary fire was started at Regina, on October 3, when the store owned by G. F. & J. Galt, of Winnipeg, adjoining the Donahue block, was burned down. The place was unoccupied.

In The Commercial market report last week the export shipment of a lot of sheep from Medicine Hat was noted. The lot was composed of 600 head from Mr. Johnston, of Strathmore; 370 head from the Little Plume Ranch Co., Medicine Hat, and 175 head from Rutherford & Son's ranch, Dunmore. W. Rutherford accompanies the shipment to Liverpool.

The old Queen's hotel at Regina, unoccupied, was destroyed by fire on October, 2. The fire was of incendiary origin.

## Grain and Milling Notes.

A new process of cleaning smutted wheat has been introduced by a Mr. Sibley of Chicago. The Duluth market report says of this: "Samples of wheat before and after cleaning by a process perfected by Mr. Sibley, of Chicago, were shown this morning. Judging from the opinion expressed by experts, it is not believed that the process would be a success in restoring wheat to the grade it would be entitled to without smut."

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis for the week, ended Sept. 28, were 2,266,600 bushels and 2,025,804 bushels at Duluth, total 4,292,404 bushels, against 5,342,556 bushels the previous week, 4,809,131 bushels two weeks ago, 3,835,402 bushels corresponding week last year and 2,686,212 bushels two years ago and 3,508,038 bushels three years ago. Shipments were 274,190 bushels from Minneapolis and 1,086,183 bushels from Duluth against 171,660 bushels from Minneapolis and 1,072,000 from Duluth last year.

The exports of wheat from India during past week were 272,000 bushels of which 248,000 bushels went to the United Kingdom and 24,000 to continent. The total shipments since April 1 were 14,800,000 bushels of which 11,024,000 bushels went to the United Kingdom and 3,776,000 bushels to the continent. The total shipments for the corresponding time last year were 7,908,000 bushels of which 4,890,000 bushels were to the United Kingdom and 3,018,000 bushels to the continent.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Lake of the Woods Milling company, was held at Montreal on October, 2. The report was read of the operations of the company for the year ending August 31, and a dividend of 10 per cent on the capital stock of the company was declared, payable on October 15. The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Robt. Meighen, W. A. Hastings, R. B. Angus, John Mather, and John Tarabull. At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Robt. Meighen was elected president, and managing director,

W. A. Hastings, Vice-president and general manager; G. V. Hastings, general superintendent; S. A. McGaw, manager at Winnipeg; F. E. Bray, secretary; and B. S. Shar- ing, assistant secretary.

## Wheat Stocks.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Sept. 23, 1895, shows an increase of 1,883,000 bushels, against an increase of 1,224,000 for the corresponding week last year and an increase of 1,835,000 bushels the corresponding week two years ago.

The following table shows the total visible supply of wheat on the dates named for four years, as compiled by the Chicago board of trade and includes stocks at most important points of accumulation in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains. There are some important points not covered by this statement:

	1895.	1894.	1893.	1892.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.
Jan. 2...	88,581,000	80,223,000	81,233,000	45,907,000
Feb. 5...	89,376,000	79,863,000	81,392,000	43,101,000
Mar. 4...	78,785,000	75,669,000	79,088,000	41,558,000
April 1..	74,308,000	71,453,000	77,054,000	41,038,000
" 8 ..	72,703,000	70,702,000	77,294,000	41,177,000
" 15 ..	70,487,000	69,217,000	76,090,000	42,055,000
" 22 ..	68,628,000	68,426,000	74,869,000	39,149,000
" 29 ..	65,776,000	68,683,000	75,027,000	37,336,000
May 6 ..	62,198,000	65,150,000	73,069,000	36,360,000
" 13 ..	59,623,000	63,510,000	72,682,000	35,180,000
" 20 ..	56,484,000	62,044,000	71,392,000	34,037,000
" 27 ..	54,244,000	61,339,000	70,159,000	32,523,000
June 3 ..	52,229,000	59,394,000	71,089,000	27,010,000
" 10 ..	49,739,000	58,211,000	63,662,000	26,050,000
" 17 ..	47,717,000	57,005,000	66,376,000	24,006,000
" 24 ..	46,235,000	55,832,000	63,091,000	24,501,000
July 1 ..	44,701,000	54,057,000	62,316,000	24,283,000
" 8 ..	43,350,000	51,114,000	61,819,000	23,130,000
" 13 ..	41,237,000	53,154,000	59,838,000	22,439,000
" 20 ..	49,497,000	53,771,000	58,901,000	23,085,000
" 27 ..	39,233,000	57,144,000	59,319,000	23,992,000
Aug. 3 ..	38,517,000	60,001,000	59,424,000	20,079,000
" 10 ..	37,839,000	62,321,000	58,509,000	23,213,000
" 17 ..	36,939,000	63,000,000	57,812,000	31,776,000
" 24 ..	34,083,000	61,771,000	57,240,000	31,350,000
" 31 ..	35,483,000	66,049,000	56,851,000	35,360,000
Sept. 7 ..	36,754,000	66,168,000	56,140,000	33,700,000
Sept. 14 ..	38,001,000	68,214,000	57,331,000	44,411,000
" 21 ..	39,335,000	70,159,000	58,693,000	44,957,000
" 28 ..	40,763,000	71,413,000	60,523,000	49,901,000

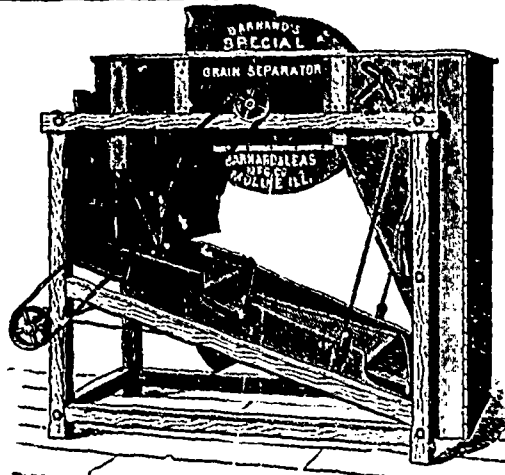
Bradstreet's report of stocks of wheat in Canada on Sept. 23 is as follows:

	bushels.
Montreal.....	132,000
Toronto.....	9,000
Kingston.....	2,000
Winnipeg.....	175,000
Manitoba elevators.....	890,000
Fort William, Port Arthur & Keewatin.....	603,000

Total stocks in the United States and Canada as reported by Bradstreet's were as follows, on Sept 23, 1895:

	bushels.
East of the Mountains.....	52,258,000
Pacific Coast.....	8,799,000
Total stocks a year ago were:	
	bushels.
East of the Mountains.....	88,495,000
Pacific Coast.....	8,532,000

Burrows, Stewart & Milne have a new attachment for their furnaces this year, which was shown to a representative of The Commercial, in the warehouse of Merrick, Anderson & Co., who handle these goods in Winnipeg. This is known as the Watson patent ventilator for furnaces. Instead of the draft being drawn from the basement to feed the furnace, the air is drawn from the floor above. The effect of this is to give thorough ventilation to the house, drawing away all noxious gases or foul air to the furnace. There is not only circulation of air, but removal of foul air as well, is secured with this attachment. By a chain attachment the draft to the furnace can be cut off from the floor above, and the ventilator still continues in operation, the foul air passing away with the smoke.



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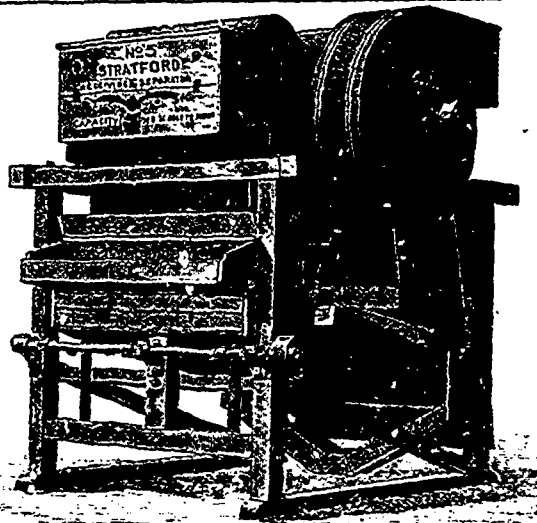
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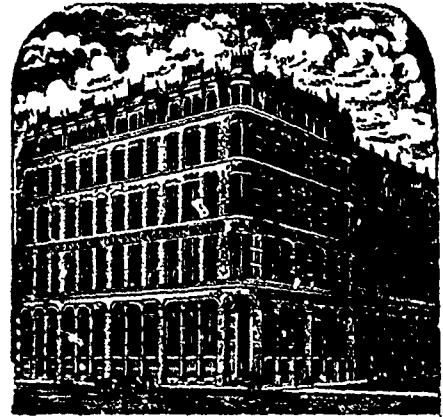
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# The Commercial

WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 7, 1895.

## FIXING THE GRAIN GRADES.

It will be noticed by the report of a meeting of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, appearing in this issue, that a resolution suggesting radical changes in the arrangements relating to the inspection of grain, was adopted. The resolution sets forth that the present mode of fixing the standards is cumbersome, and it is recommended that a permanent board, comprised of the two chief inspectors and the president of the board of arbitrators, be appointed for this purpose.

We hardly need assert that The Commercial is in sympathy with the principle expressed in this resolution. At different times within the past few years, The Commercial has expressed the opinion that some such changes as those now proposed, were necessary in the interest of the grain trade of this western country. The standards board as at present constituted is not only cumbersome, but its work has several times failed to give satisfactory results. This has not been through any fault of the board, but has been owing to circumstances over which it had no control. At the present time there is a feeling that the standards fixed for the present year, are not such as can be worked upon to advantage, and we have another resolution from the grain exchange, recommending the government to reject the standards made for the present crop, and instruct the inspectors to grade according to the act. If this is done, it will mean that all the work of fixing the standards for this crop will amount to nothing. Still, it would be a wise thing to do this, rather than subject the trade to the disadvantages of working on standards which are not suitable to the existing conditions of the trade.

The important question comes up at the outset as to the necessity or even advantage of fixing standards every year. The Commercial has heretofore expressed the opinion that the fixing of the standards for each crop is neither necessary nor advisable. A number of grain men of large experience are of the opinion that standards are not necessary.

The inspection of grain in Canada is under the control of the Department of Inland revenue. An act of Parliament describes the different grades. Thus the act says: "No. 1 Manitoba hard wheat shall be sound and well cleaned, weighing not less than sixty pounds to the bushel, and shall be composed of at least two-thirds of hard red fyte wheat," etc. Now what more is necessary than this? In addition to this general description of each grade, as fixed by act of parliament, it has been the custom to appoint a board each year to select standards or samples which are supposed to represent the different grades, and these standard samples were for the use of the inspectors in grading the

grain. Instead, however of being an assistance to the inspectors, these standard samples have only served to confuse them. In the first place the standards have always deviated more or less from the act, which has given rise to the question whether the inspectors should be governed by the standards or by the act. A decision was recently given that the inspectors should be governed by the standards selected from year to year. This in effect means that the standards shall override the act of parliament. It would simplify matters to abolish the standards entirely and allow the inspectors to be governed by the act alone.

The second point to be gained by abolishing the standards would be uniformity. This is something The Commercial has for many years contended for. No. 1 hard wheat this year should be No. 1 hard next year. Uniformity is necessary in the interest of the trade. Manitoba and the adjacent wheat territory to the west now produce a sufficient quantity of wheat to give us a regular export trade. The great bulk of the crop must be exported, and in the interest of the export trade, uniformity is necessary. The quality of the crop will of course vary in different years. This cannot be prevented; but the changing of the quality of the same grades every year can be prevented. The bulk of the crop may one year grade No. 1 hard, and the next year it may grade mostly No. 2 hard, but the quality of the grades should remain the same. If the grades are not properly described in the present act, then let us have the act changed and made final, so that we will know just what our grades are from year to year. It would also save the inconvenience to the trade at the opening of the season, in waiting until the standards are fixed each year. We think, however, that the present act is satisfactory to the trade in the main.

The third point to be made against the standards is, that they do not represent the average condition of the crop. In several years the standards have been utterly useless so far as they were supposed to represent the average condition of the crop. In several years the standards have been a nuisance and a hinderance to the trade. On this account they can only be a hinderance, rather than a help to the inspectors, and they are of no value as a commercial convenience for use as samples.

If standards are required at all, a board of three seems to be all that is necessary, and such a board as that named in the Grain Exchange resolution would admirably fill the bill. The resolution in question, it will be noticed, does not declare in favor of continuing the custom of selecting standards. On the other hand, it says that the persons named "be constituted a permanent board to select such standards as the department may deem necessary." We understand from this that while it might not be necessary to select standards for the regular grades, (these being fixed by Act of Parliament), it might be necessary in certain years to select standards for special grades,

which were not fixed by the act. Thus we have two special grades made for this crop, to take in that portion of the crop damaged by frost. In an occasional year some crop peculiarity might call for one or more special grades, and it, therefore, seems necessary to have a permanent board appointed to fix these grades. This is the meaning we take from the resolution of the Grain Exchange. The regular grades, such as No. 1 hard, No. 2 hard, No. 1 northern, etc., would remain unchanged from year to year. The fact that the Grain Exchange passed another resolution at the same meeting, asking that the standards for the present year be annulled and that the inspectors be instructed to grade according to the act, and not according to the standards, seems to indicate that the Exchange is not in favor of having standards at all, and prefers a fixed grade from year to year, rather than a variable one, to be governed by standards selected each year.

It is now high time that the regulations governing the grading of our grain should be made fixed and permanent. There have been many changes in the past, out of which a permanent system should soon be evolved—the sooner the better, in the interest of the trade. A few years ago Manitoba had to send representatives to Toronto each year to fix the grades. This was looked upon as unreasonable. After some agitation changes were made and a board was constituted at Winnipeg, to meet annually to fix the grades or standards. Different interests were clamoring for representation on this board, and these requests were granted by the government, until a cumbersome board, composed of about eighteen persons, some of whom understood very little about the requirements of the grain trade of Manitoba, became established. The whole affair has of late years been looked upon as a farce, and besides this, a feeling has been developed here that eastern interests were not entitled to representation at all on this western grain board.

It seems now high time that this cumbersome board should be entirely swept away and provision made for the establishing of permanent grades for grain grown in Manitoba and the territories. Changes in the past were necessary. The industry was only being established. A few years ago we did not know what class of grain the country would produce, one year with another, and our grades, like our ideas as to the average quality of wheat the country would produce, were altogether too high. We have now had sufficient experience to know what the average grade of our wheat will be, one year with another, and we can now establish permanent grades which will meet average crop conditions fairly well. In occasional years, supplementary or special grades will be necessary, and these could be fixed to meet the requirements of the case by a small board composed of not more than three persons. The inspectors are evidently the proper persons to constitute this board. They are government officials, and are free from sectional or per-



sonal interests in the matter. They would not be dominated by exporters, millers or producers, but would be actuated only by the desire to make a grade to meet the exigencies of the crop.

In establishing permanent grades, the first thing to be taken into account is the fact that the trade is now principally an export one. It will therefore be necessary to make the permanent grades suited to the demands of the export trade. As Duluth is our principal competitor, and as Duluth sets the standard for the export trade, on account of the much larger quantity of wheat which they have for export, it will be necessary to be governed largely by Duluth grades. Probably the most satisfactory grades we could have would be to make them practically the same as Duluth grades. Our grades as now established by Act of Parliament meet these requirements. Therefore, if the standards fixed for this crop are discarded as requested by resolution of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, and the Act is allowed to govern the grades this year, instead of the standards governing the inspection, the export trade of Manitoba will be placed on about an equal footing with Duluth. The Commercial does not believe that anything is to be gained by keeping up a very high standard. What we want is a commercial standard, such as is suited to the average wheat crop of the country. Experience has shown that our grades will not bring any more than Duluth in import markets, by making them a little higher. A fair standard, which will take in a large portion of the crop in the No. 1 hard grade, one year with another, and which will place us on about an equality with similar Duluth grades, would seem to be best suited to the interests of our producers and exporters alike. Such a basis would neither be inimical to the interests of our millers, as the latter buy their wheat mostly direct from the producers and in that way they can buy by sample and need not be governed by the grades.

### FEED THE LOW GRADE GRAIN.

Manitoba has an immense crop of feed grains this year. Both the oat and barley crops are by far the largest ever produced in this country. Not only was the area sown to these two crops larger than in any previous year, but the yield per acre is the largest ever produced here. Besides these two coarse grains there is a considerable quantity of low grade wheat, which cannot be sold for shipment at a profitable price. What is to be done with this grain? is the question. If there is any way in which it can be used to better advantage than to sell it for the low price offered by shippers, it is worth while considering it. The Commercial claims there is a way to dispose of our low grade wheat and other feed grains to far better advantage than to sell it for shipment. The plan is to feed it to live stock. Damaged wheat, which would not bring 30 cents per bushel for shipment, can be converted into beef and pork, and return a value in this way of 40 to 60

cents per bushel. This has been shown by actual experiment, time and time again, and the fact is so well known that we will not waste any space proving it here.

What we would like to say to every farmer in Manitoba is: Don't sell your young stock. Don't sell any lean stock. Under ordinary circumstances it is not profitable to sell young cattle—that is cattle before they are fully matured for beef. The farmer who raises a steer to the age of two years and then sells it, particularly in a lean condition, practically throws away the profit he should have out of the animal. A steer at two years old is just getting into shape to make some money out of it. Speaking as a general rule, there is more money in finishing animals for the market than there is in raising them to an age when they are ready to be prepared for the market. If this is true in an ordinary year (and it is a generally accepted belief), it is doubtless true in a year like the present, when the whole country is fairly groaning with its load of cheap feed grains.

Farmers are now selling young and leanish cattle at a price of from 1½ to 2c per lb. This is a great mistake. It is an enormous waste. Don't do it. Keep all young or lean cattle and feed them for the spring market. In the spring of the year cattle always bring a much higher price. The reason for this is, that the range cattle are not fit for the spring markets. The range cattle cannot be placed on the market until they have been fed up on the new grass. This is the farmers' opportunity. The ranchers have no grain to feed cattle for spring markets. The farmer can take advantage of this and place his cattle on the market at a time when he will have no competition from cheaply fed range cattle. It should be the aim of the farmer to have his cattle ready for the early spring market, and in Manitoba, with our large crop of feed grains, there is a double incentive to this course, to say nothing of the saving in freight rates by condensing rough grain into beef, pork, bacon, butter, poultry eggs, etc.

We hear of sales in Manitoba this year of young cattle to be sent west to the ranges. In certain cases farmers may have been compelled to part with such stock; but, unless they are obliged to do so from force of circumstances, we cannot conceive why a farmer should deliberately throw away the profits in view in this way. As we have already said, the best part of the profit is in finishing the animals for the market, after they have been raised to a certain age. The same rule applies to hogs. We have seen large numbers of little pigs marketed here in the fall. This is a loss, unless owing to an absolute scarcity or very high price of feed grains. Don't market any little pigs this year. There is dead loads of cheap feed in the country. Turn it into pork for next summer's market and you will double the price which could be realised from the grain to sell for shipment. If farmers have the buildings and facilities for handling stock, it would pay them, in many cases, to buy stock to feed, rather than to sell their feed grains

or low grade wheat at the prices available for shipment.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

LAST year we spoke of some of the expenses of harvesting a big crop. A big crop is not without some disadvantages. One of these, in a country like Manitoba, is the delay caused in preparing for the crop of the following year. Owing to the vast amount of labor required this year to save the big crop. Farmers are much behind with their fall plowing, and unless the fall is an unusually open one, the amount of fall plowing done this year will be limited. The curtailment of the area of fall plowing would mean a reduction of the wheat crop area next year, unless the farmers resort to the custom of sowing wheat on stubble land, without plowing.

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SOME very important resolutions were passed at a meeting of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, held on Monday last. They will be found elsewhere in this issue of The Commercial. One of these resolutions, dealing with the fixing of the grain grades, we have discussed at some length editorially this week. Another important resolution is that which requests the department to reject the standards as fixed this year by the western grain standards board and have the grading done according to the act covering the grading of grain. The effect of this resolution is to leave the grain trade for the moment in a very unsatisfactory state, as it is uncertain now what will be the result. Until the department either rejects or confirms the standards, the trade will not know whether to work on the standards or on the act. It is therefore very urgent that a decision should be given at the very earliest moment. Another important resolution is that requesting the appointment of weighmasters at Winnipeg and Emerson. Provision has already been made for such officials, by an act passed three years ago, at the request of the Winnipeg grain trade. The appointment of such officials, however, has never been made. By the appointment of such officials, any person shipping a car of wheat to Winnipeg could have it weighed here by a government official and the weight certified to, thus providing authentic proof in case of claims for shortage. Cars shipped out by the Northern Pacific could be weighed at Emerson, which is an inspection point like Winnipeg. It is presumed the inspectors would look after the weighing of cars. A weighmaster was not asked for for Fort William, as the weighing is done there by Canadian Pacific Railway officials, the elevators there being owned by the company. Owners of elevators at Winnipeg and Emerson are anxious to have weighmen appointed, as they have frequently had trouble about claims on account of cars not turning out full weight as shipped. It would also be a matter of great satisfaction to shippers to have an authentic official report of the weight of cars.

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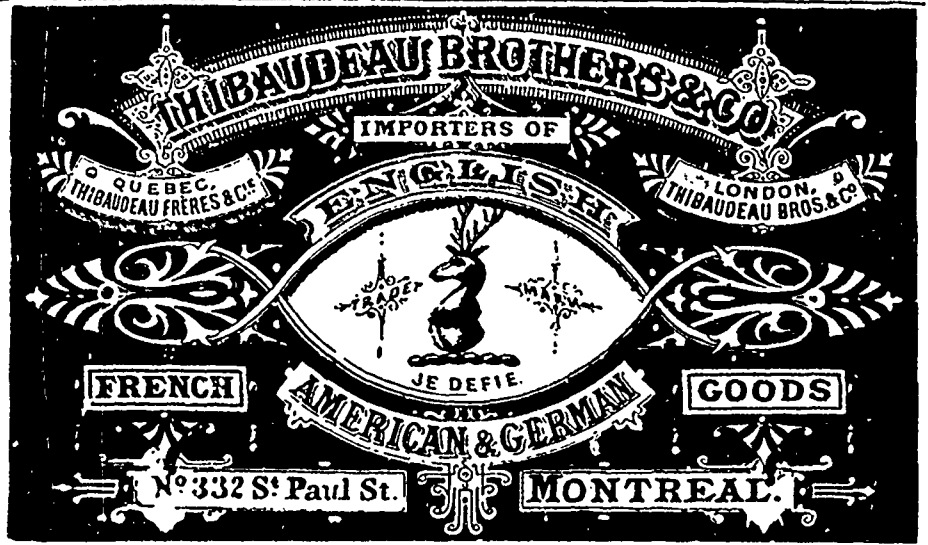
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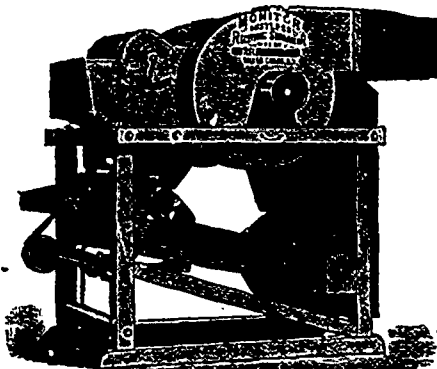
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**THE BUSINESS SITUATION.**

WINNIPEG, Saturday, October 5.

Business is inclined to drag, owing to the evident determination of farmers to hold their wheat. They are borrowing money on it rather than sell. There is a tendency now to push collections among the farmers, as it is thought they have now had ample time to raise the wind if they wanted to, and it will not be any advantage either to the country or the farmers themselves to allow them to stand off their creditors any longer. Bank clearings at Winnipeg this week show a decrease of about 21½ per cent as compared with the corresponding week last year, owing to the small sales of wheat. Clearings for the month of September, however, show a slight increase over last year.

The total number of business failures reported in Canada this week is 87, the total last week was 85 and in the corresponding week a year ago it was 40.

**WINNIPEG MARKETS.**

WINNIPEG, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Oct. 5.

[All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.]

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**—Some of the local jobbers have their spring samples in and travellers will be on the road with them this week. The spring samples show a general tendency toward the picadilly and razor or needle toes, and it looks as though the tooth pick toes would be popular this year.

**CORDWOOD.**—We quote the following prices for car lots on track here: Tamarac, \$3.75 for \$1 per cord; pine, \$3.50 per cord; spruce \$3 and poplar \$2.25 to \$2.50 per cord.

**COAL.**—The advance of 50c per ton in the wholesale price of anthracite coal, reported by wire last Friday, is confirmed by later reports. This will make Pennsylvania coal cost \$8 per ton on track Winnipeg, and as the price here is \$8.50 delivered to consumers and it costs 40c per ton to deliver, it only leaves a margin of 10c per ton to the local dealers, on the basis of present wholesale prices. The coal now being sold here, however, was bought before the last two advances in the wholesale price outside, so that there is more profit than appears from the present import basis. Still, it makes a strong prospect here for higher prices later on. There was another report of a further advance of 50c at Duluth this week, to \$5.50 per ton there, but it is not believed to be authentic. A telegram this week reported an advance of 15 to 25c in Anthracite at New York, and now that the companies appear to have come to terms, there is no knowing when they will stop putting up prices. Winnipeg prices are the same and we quote: Pennsylvania anthracite, \$3.50 per ton, delivered to consumers. Souris lignite, \$4.25 per ton delivered to consumers and \$3.85 at the yard here. Lethbridge bituminous, \$6.50 per ton to consumers, delivered.

**DRY GOODS.**—Further advances are reported from the east in cottons. The Montreal Cotton Co. announce by circular an advance of 5 per cent. on grey cottons, which brings them up to other mill prices. The Merchants Manufacturing Co. have advanced prices again on greys, making a total advance of 10 to 12½ per cent., and they have advanced white cottons 5 to 7½ per cent. The St. Henri mills announce an advance of 5 to 10 per cent. The woollen manufacturers are also beginning to try to work up prices, and they have a good basis to work on in

consequence of the upward tendency in wools of late. The Globe Woollen Mills have given notice of an advance in worsted suitings equal to 7½ per cent. In the local trade travellers are getting their samples ready for spring business, in clothing, hats and caps and furnishings. Some travellers are now on the road in these lines. General dry goods men will not go out for a month yet.

**FISH.**—The first lots of new finnan haddies are now being received. Local jobbing prices for fresh fish are as follows: B.C. salmon, 12 to 14c; Lake Superior trout, 9c; whitefish, 6c; pickerel, 8c; finnan haddies, 12½c; kippered goldeyes, 80c doz. Very little doing in salt fish; oysters, \$2 for standards and \$2.25 selects, per gallon.

**FURS.**—A few early skins continue to come in, mostly skunk, mink and rat. They are well furred for the season, but are far from being primo yet, and there are no regular prices. In manufactured furs, the bulk of first orders have been filled, but local jobbers look for a large sorting trade this year, this being a branch in which a large sorting trade is usually expected. Country dealers will not take chances of buying large stocks of furs in advance, the goods being too expensive to take the risk of carrying over.

**GROCERIES.**—Sugars were advanced on Thursday 1-16c by Eastern Canada refiners making the price of granulated 4½c and yellows 3½c to 3¾c at the refineries. Sugars are unmistakably in a much firmer position than they have been for some time, owing to the poor crop prospects of the European beet crop. A deficiency of 700,000 to 1,000,000 tons is now reported in the crop, owing to recent drouth. Coupled with this is the disturbance in Cuba, which will curtail production there of the cane crop. Reports of a short crop of prunes come from almost all producing countries. French prunes are ½c higher on account of the light crop and now California joins in the general chorus about a short prune crop. The first direct steamer to Montreal with new Valencia raisins is due about October 10. Previous arrivals were small lots via Liverpool. A Montreal report says that very low offers are being made on Valencias by direct steamers, as low as 8c laid down at Montreal being offered, but this is thought to be for inferior goods. New currants are offering to ship at about the same prices as last year, or equal to 3½ to 3¾c in barrels and 4 to 4½c in cases, in round lots at Atlantic ports.

**GREEN FRUITS.**—Latest advices from Ontario are firmer on apples, owing to some favorable inquiries for export, which have raised the hopes of shippers there that they may after all be able to do some export business. Quotations received by wire on fancy fall varieties of apples, such as snows, kings, etc., would make them cost \$3.25 to \$3.50 laid down here, without allowing any profit to dealers, so that the tendency is higher for this class of fruit, and some were asking \$3.50 to \$3.75 for fancy varieties. No winter apples have come in yet, but the weather has been too warm lately to bring in winter fruit. There is no advantage in bringing in winter apples early, as they are damaged in transit during warm weather, and do not seem to keep so well. Apples for storing for winter should be left as late as possible, as they are less likely to get heated in transit and will keep better. California and Oregon plums are about out of the market for the season. Those in lately have been soft. Pears have also been very scarce this week, and not many more will come, except winter varieties. Some very fine peaches are still coming, but the season for these is also short. A car or more of crabs may be in yet, though this is uncertain. Stocks of old lemons are cleaned up. Some new will be in at once, but the price will be away up out of sight, as the markets are very

high, probably \$12 per box or more. Tomatoes are lower. New figs are now on the way to this market. Prices below are about nominal for pears, in the absence of stock. Prices are: lemons, no quotations; bananas \$2.25 to \$3 per bunch as to size; California peaches \$1.25 to \$1.35 per box, California and Oregon pears \$2.25 to \$3.00 per box; apples \$3.00 to \$3.25 per barrel, Ontario concord grapes 50c per basket of 10 lbs; Ontario white Niagara and Red Roger's grapes 65c per basket of 10 lbs, Ontario pears 60 to 90c per basket; California grapes, tokays, \$3.00 to \$3.25 per crate; tomatoes 70 to 90c per basket; Figs, 14 ounce boxes, 1.50 per dozen; dates 7 to 7½ a lb.

**HARDWARE, PAINTS, ETC.**—Great interest is manifested in the meeting of the Canadian manufacturers of cut and wire nails, who have been in session all the week at Montreal. Report says there is a movement on foot to affiliate with the association in the United States. It seems not improbable that something of this nature is on foot, as the United States association is represented at the meeting, so it is reported. The United States association is a very powerful one. It not only controls the manufacture of nails, but it also controls nail making machinery, so that it is practically impossible for new factories to be started outside of the association. Higher prices are certainly looked for as a result of this meeting, but no announcement has yet been made, and prices are still withdrawn. If the United States association list on extras is adopted, as seems probable, it will make important changes in extras, as the United States list is very much higher than the Canadian list on extras. Barb wire is another interesting item. Winnipeg prices are comparatively very low, prices here being about the same as at Toronto and Montreal, as this market has not followed the advance which has been going on since the beginning of this year. Plain steel wire has advanced fully 22 per cent this season. The local market has advanced to \$3.50 per 100 pounds for plain twisted and barb wire and staples, but as these prices are still comparatively under eastern markets, a further advance is reasonably expected. In consequence of the recent advances at the factories, both sisal and manilla rope have advanced ½c here, to 8 to 8½ base for sisal, and 11 to 11½ base for manilla.

**GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**

**WHEAT.**—The higher prices reached at the close of last week in leading United States markets have not been maintained, and yesterday prices were nearly back again to where they were before the last bulge set in. The markets have had a wider range this week and have been more excitable and exceedingly sensitive. Cables from Europe were lower on most days. Northwestern states receipts have been large, but to offset this there have been rumors of crop damage in Argentine and dry weather in the winter wheat states. Exports of wheat, flour included as wheat, from both coasts of the United States and Canada amount to 2,613,000 bushels this week. Last week the total was 3,151,000 bushels, one year ago 3,248,000 bushels, two years ago 3,189,000 bushels and three years ago 4,017,000 bushels.

In Manitoba the weather has been favorable, though the weather report on Friday said rain in the west; but it has been mainly favorable and deliveries by farmers at country points have increased. Thursday and Friday this week country deliveries of wheat were estimated at a quarter of a million bushels each day, being the largest so far this season. The total country deliveries of wheat for September are estimated at about 2,000,000 bushels, or nearly 1,000,000 bushels less than for the same month last year. Most of the wheat being delivered by

farmers is going into store, the farmers evidently being determined to hold. The Commercial has been quoted as advising a holding policy. This is not correct, though we have taken a hopeful view of wheat, mainly because it is cheap. As a question of fact, at the moment, there is a premium of about 15c per bushel in favor of selling now. Our season of navigation will soon close, after which the cost of exporting by winter freights will be immediately increased about 10c per bushel, so that an advance of 10c after the close of navigation would not help the holder. Added to this, millers are paying prices much in advance of an export basis, which increases the premium in favor of selling now to 12 to 15c per bushel. There is no reason to believe that prices would hold at above an export basis long, should sales be made freely. Millers are still taking most of the choice wheat offering, as the price is beyond the reach of exporters. About the only sales outside of what local millers are buying direct from farmers, is a limited quantity which is being taken by eastern millers. Exporters cannot handle any of the high grade stuff at the prices millers are paying. Prices in Manitoba country markets have advanced again early this week, 40c per bushel being paid to farmers at 18 cent freight rate points to Fort William, for best samples, and 47c at 19 cent freight points. Sales of lots at Fort William, afloat, were mostly made at between 60 and 61c per bushel, for No. 1 hard, to Eastern millers. Sellers were offering at 60c today. The low grades which the millers are not taking are not relatively as firm, the range being from 30 to 45c as to quality, for the other grades, the bottom price for badly frosted stuff. Receipts at Fort William elevators for the week ending Sept. 28 amounted to 498,983 bushels and shipments were 219,785 bushels, amount in store 787,199 bushels. The figures for the corresponding period last year were, receipts 727,817 bushels, shipments, 752,197, in store 1,049,000.

**FLOUR.**—Flour is firmer, owing to the higher price of wheat. Sales by millers here are made at \$1.85 to \$1.90 for patents, and \$1.65 to \$1.70 for strong bakers per sack of 93 lbs. delivered to city retail dealers. Second bakers \$1.40 to \$1.50, XXXX about \$1.15 to \$1.20 per sack according to brand.

**MILLSTUFFS.**—The quotation is \$1 for bran and \$13 for shorts per ton, with small quantities held \$1 per ton more.

**OATS.**—The market is very weak and prices are again lower here. About 15c per bushel of 34 lbs. is the general price paid for farmers' loads, and up to 20c. for milling quality. The tendency is easy, and for a large lot local dealers would not pay over 16 to 17c. for feed quality. No shipping doing. Cars offered about 20c. but no buyers for the local market.

**BARLEY.**—A few loads offered by farmers are taken at about 21 to 22c., and 23 to 24c. is paid for malting samples, per bushel of 45 lbs. No shipping doing.

**WHEAT.**—Local farmers' market.—Farmers' loads are being taken at the mills here at 46 to 48c for good milling samples. Low grade has sold as low as 35c for chicken feed.

**GROUND FEED.**—Prices are lower at \$15 to \$17 per ton as to quality.

**OATMEAL.**—We quote rolled oats at \$1.75 per sack of 80 pounds in broken lots to retail dealers. Standard and granulated oatmeal \$2 per sack of 93 lbs. Rolled wheat, \$1.90 per 93 pound sack; pot barley \$2, and pearl barley \$1 per 93 pound sack.

**OIL CAKE.**—Ground oil cake meal is quoted at \$20 per ton in sacks.

**FLAX SEED.**—On Thursday at Chicago flax seed sold at about 95c per bushel. Buyers were offering 70c per bushel to farmers in

Manitoba country markets which is an advance of 5c per bushel. A year ago flax was worth \$1.05 to \$1.10 in Manitoba country markets.

**BUTTER.**—The local market is rather firmer on choice butter. The shipping season is about over. No more creamery will be shipped east, and not many, if any more shipments of dairy will be made. About all the creamery left in the country will be wanted by the local and western trade, and it is not thought there will be much more dairy to spare to ship east. Stocks here are light. Considerable dairy and a little creamery is known to be held in the country, but the proportion of choice is hard to come at. We quote creamery at 14 to 16c as to quality, the higher price for late made, and 8 to 9½c for dairy, round lots. Small lots selected at 12c.

**CHEESE.**—Eastern markets have hardly been as good this week, though prices are about the same, prices being at 7½ to 8c for finest late Ontario and 7 to 7½c for other grades. One telegram this week bid only 6½c for Manitoba cheese at Montreal. There will be very little more Manitoba cheese to go east, and the most now held will be wanted for the local and western trade, which has a tendency to keep up prices. We quote 6c here, though one buyer said in view of his latest advices he would not pay over 5½c to ship east.

**EGGS.**—Prices are firm. Buyers have been paying 11c this week, but prices will be advanced to 13c per dozen on Monday, after candeling, for round lots.

**LARD.**—Pure lard is firmer, and stocks are limited. Prices are:—Pure, \$1.85 to \$1.90 for 20 pound pails, and \$1.50 for 50 lb pails; pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$7 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 9c pound.

**CURED MEATS.**—Stocks of meats are rather light. Prices in some lines are a little lower, particularly for long clear and shoulders. Smoked Meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 12½c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 12½; do backs, 10½c; picnic hams, 9½c; short spiced rolls, 7½c; long rolls, 7½c; shoulders, 7c; smoked long clear, 9c; smoked jowls, 5½c. Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 8½c per lb; shoulders, 6c; backs, 9½c; barrel pork, heavy mess \$15.00; clear mess \$15.00; short cut, \$17.00; rolled shoulders, \$15 per barrel, pork sundries; fresh sausage, 7c; bologna sausage, 7c; German sausage, 7c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 2c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 30c lb.

**VEGETABLES.**—Prices: Potatoes, slow sale at 15 to 20c per bushel. Green stuff, including all roots, onions, etc., per doz. bunches is quoted at 5 to 8c all around; cabbage 15 to 25c per dozen; cucumbers 7 to 15c per dozen; cauliflower 30 to 50c per dozen, as to size; celery 15 to 25c per doz. bunches; rhubarb 10 to 12½c per dozen bunches; onions, 50 60c per bushel or 1c per lb; turnips 15 to 20c per bush; corn, 5 to 7c per dozen ears. Native tomatoes 8 to 1c per lb. and eastern tomatoes 70c to 90c per basket. Green tomatoes, 10c per bushel; citrons, 50 to 75c per dozen.

**POULTRY.**—No change in prices. Chickens 40 to 45c per pair; spring chickens, 35 to 45c per pair; turkeys 9 to 10c per lb. live weight. Ducks 50 to 60c per pair. Wild ducks 20 to 30c per pair. Geese, \$1 each, wild geese, 75c each.

**DRESSED MEATS.**—The only change is in pork which is higher, being quite scarce, and we quote it at 6 to 6½c per lb. Very few hogs are offering. Beef is the same at 4 to 4½c per lb, with a good deal of even good beef going at 4c. Veal is scarce, and 6c has been paid for good veal; large calves 5 to 5½c; mutton 6 to 6½c, lambs 6½ to 7c, and easy.

Hides.—Calfskins are weak and much

lower in leading markets, but no change here, as very few offerings. They have declined 3 to 4c at New York. Packer hides have declined 2c at Chicago from the top, and branded steers 2½c. Here prices are the same as last week. We quote: Hides, Winnipeg inspection green, 7c for No. 1 cows, 6 for No. 2, and 5c for No. 3; branded hides grade No. 2, when not otherwise damaged to reduce them to No. 3. We quote: Calf, 8 to 15 lb skins, 6 to 8c per lb. Deacons, 25 to 40c each. Kips 5 to 7c. Sheepskins, recent kill, 30 to 35c. Lambskins, 30 to 35c each. Tallow, 4 to 5c rendered and 2 to 3c rough.

**WOOL.**—Manitoba fleeces 10 to 11½c. par lb. Wool markets are firm. London has advanced 10 to 15 per cent. on merino and crossbred wools, and 20 to 25 per cent. on bright lustrous wools since the close of the last sales.

**SENECA ROOT.**—Dull at 17 to 19c per lb.

**HAY.**—Firm and higher, owing to the burning of a lot of hay by recent prairie fires. We quote \$5.50 to \$6 per ton for prairie baled on track here.

#### LIVE STOCK.

The very bad cable reports which came from England this week are discouraging to shippers. The excessively hot weather is playing havoc with the trade. Liver col reported a decline of ½c to 1c on Tuesday, making 10 to 10½c the price for choice Canadian steers. Sheep were 1c lower at Liverpool at 12 to 12½c as the top price. Eastern Canada markets were dull and weak, hogs especially being off heavily. At Montreal on Tuesday hogs declined 25 to 40c to \$1.25 to \$1.35 per 100 pounds. At Toronto on Tuesday this week butchers cattle sold as low as 1c, but the quality was very poor, the general run going at 2 to 3c, and a few fancy at 3½. No demand for export cattle. The best bacon hogs brought only \$1.25 at Toronto, and stores and other sorts at 3½ to 4c. Export sheep sold at 3 to 3½c and lambs at \$1.25 to \$2.25 each at Toronto on Tuesday.

**CATTLE.**—About 2026 cattle were handled at the yards in Winnipeg for shipment east for export. Gordon & Ironside handled about 1700 of these, nearly all being range cattle. John Wake shipped the balance, about 325 head, from the Manitoba Northwestern district. A train load of lean and young Manitoba cattle was shipped west to the range country by Gordon & Ironside, these being made up of culls from their purchases all over the country, which are too young or lean to export. There is very little local demand for cattle and we quote 2 to 2½c off cars here for butchers.

**SHEEP.**—Gordon & Ironside made two shipments for export this week of western range sheep, aggregating about 2,000 head. We quote sheep and lambs at 8c off cars here for the local trade. Nominal.

**HOGS.**—One car shipped to British Columbia by Gordon & Ironside. Hogs scarce, as farmers are too busy to bring them in. From 4 to 4½c has been paid here, and butchers have even paid up to \$1.40 to \$1.50 for a few, but these prices are beyond the idea of value, and were only paid on account of the temporary scarcity.

At Chicago on Sept. 5, cattle were 5c higher, most sales going between \$1.25 and \$5 for good to choice steers, a few fancy touched \$5.50. Run of hogs very large. The range of prices was from \$3.85 to \$1.35 per 100 pounds. Heavy export sheep sold at \$3.50 to \$3.90 and the extreme range was from \$1.50 to \$3.50 for the general run.

The Dominion Government Savings bank transactions at Winnipeg for the month ending September 30 were: Deposits, \$23,870; withdrawals, \$14,758.85. Deposits exceeded withdrawals by \$9,111.15.

**Chicago Board of Trade Prices.**

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 2 oats and No. 2 corn, per bushel. Pork is quoted per barrel and lard and short ribs per 100 pounds.

December wheat closed on Saturday, October 28, at 63c, the highest price touched for some time. On Monday this week December wheat opened at 63½ to 63¾c. Prices were very irregular and fluctuated wildly, closing a shade over Saturday. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat.....	62½	—	63½	67½
Corn.....	31½	—	29½	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	21
Pork.....	—	8 42½	—	—
Lard.....	—	5 90	—	—
Short Ribs.....	—	—	—	—

On Tuesday prices were weak, influenced by large receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth, weak cables and foreign selling prices were 2c or more lower. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat.....	59½	61	—	61½
Corn.....	30½	27½	—	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 30	—	9 50	—
Lard.....	5 82½	—	5 50	—
Short Ribs.....	5 47½	—	—	—

On Wednesday wheat was irregular, but closed firm and higher, on reported insect damage to the Argentine crop. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	60½	62	—	61½
Corn.....	31	28½	—	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 25	—	9 45	—
Lard.....	5 82½	—	5 80	—
Short Ribs.....	5 50	—	4 85	—

Large wheat receipts in the northwest and local selling forced prices down on Thursday 1 to 1½c. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	59½	60½	—	61½
Corn.....	30½	27½	—	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Pork.....	8 27½	—	9 45	—
Lard.....	5 80	—	5 80	—
Short Ribs.....	5 20	—	4 85	—

Wheat was irregular on Friday. The weak features were large receipts and lower cables, while bad crop news from Argentine stimulated buying. The final was weak. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	59½	60½	—	61½
Corn.....	30½	28	—	29½
Oats.....	18	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 30	—	8 47½	—
Lard.....	5 80	—	5 80	—
Short Ribs.....	5 25	—	4 85	—

Wheat opened at 60½c to 60¾c on Saturday and had a lower tendency. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	59½	59½	—	63½
Corn.....	30	27½	—	29½
Oats.....	17½	17½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 35	—	—	—
Lard.....	—	—	—	—
Short Ribs.....	—	—	—	—
Flax.....	96	96½	—	1 02

A week ago Sept. wheat closed at 62c. A year ago October wheat closed at 51½c.

**Duluth Wheat Market.**

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—Sept. 29c, Dec. 60c, May 61½c.
Tuesday—Oct. 57c, Dec. 58c, May 62c.
Wednesday—Oct. — c, Dec. 58c, May 62c.
Thursday—Oct. 57c, Dec. 57c, May 62c.
Friday—Oct. 56c, Dec. 57c, May 61c.
Saturday—Sept. 56c, Dec. 56c, May 60c.

A week ago to-day, (Saturday) prices closed at 59½c for September, and 60c for

December. A year ago October wheat closed at 57c, and two years ago at 62c. No. 1 hard is quoted at about 1½ to 2c over No. 1 northern, No. 2 northern 2 to 3c lower than No. 1 northern for cash wheat.

**New York Wheat.**

On Saturday, Oct. 5, December wheat closed at 66½c, and May delivery at 69¾c. A week ago wheat closed at 67½c for December and 71½c for May.

**Minneapolis Wheat.**

No. 1 Northern wheat closed on Saturday at — for September delivery, December at 54½c and May at 59. A week ago December wheat closed at 58c.

**Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.**

The following shows the number of cars of wheat inspected at \*Winnipeg for the weeks of ended on the dates named, compared with the number of cars inspected for the corresponding weeks a year ago, as reported by Inspector Horn to the Board of Trade:—

Grade.	Aug. 17	Sept. 7	Sept. 14	Sept. 21	Sept. 28
Extra Manitoba					
hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 hard.....	47	29	28	72	91
No. 2 hard.....	0	0	3	6	19
Nt. 3 hard.....	0	0	6	8	40
No. 1 North'n.....	10	0	1	6	33
No. 2 North'n.....	0	0	0	2	2
No. 3 North'n.....	0	0	0	1	0
No. 1 white fyte	0	1	0	0	0
No. 2 white fyte	0	0	0	0	1
No. 1 Spring.....	0	0	0	0	3
No. 2 Spring.....	0	0	0	0	3
No. 2 Goose.....	0	0	0	0	2
No. 1 f. cast'd ..	0	0	0	2	17
No. 2 frosted ..	0	0	0	0	7
No. 1 Rejected..	1	1	5	6	41
No. 2 Rejected..	1	1	0	14	0
No Grade.....	0	1	2	12	0
Total.....	59	34	43	129	219
Same week last year.....	106	102	70	155	244

\*Wheat inspected at Emerson going out via the Northern Pacific to Duluth, is included in Winnipeg returns. A considerable portion of the wheat moving is inspected at Fort William, and does not show in these figures.

**Winnipeg Clearing House.**

Clearings for the week ending October 3, were \$1,170,687; balances, \$207,916. For the previous week clearings were \$1,028,639. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were \$1,489,922. For the month of September clearings were \$1,008,906, as compared with \$3,975,406 for September last year.

Following are the returns of other Canadian clearing houses for the weeks ended on the dates given:

	Sept. 26.	Sept. 19.
Montreal..	\$10,777,814	\$11,679,549
Toronto...	5,587,222	5,476,255
Halifax...	1,258,770	1,115,148
Winnipeg.	1,272,022	997,424
Hamilton.	661,079	789,876
Total	\$19,506,907	\$20,019,247

**Winnipeg Markets a Year Ago.**

Wheat.—No. 1 hard, c.i.f. Fort William afloat, 54 to 55c and 38 to 41c to farmers, Manitoba country points.  
Flour.—Local price, per sack, Patents, \$1.50; Bakers, \$1.40.  
Bran.—Per ton, \$11.  
Shorts.—Per ton, \$13.  
Oats.—Per bushel, new, 23 to 24c.  
Barley.—Per bushel, 30 to 35c.  
Flax Seed.—\$1.05 to \$1.10.  
Butter.—Dairy 11 to 14c, round lots.  
Cheese.—9 to 9½c.

Eggs.—Fresh, 12½c, round lots.  
Beef.—Fresh, per lb., 4½ to 5c.  
Mutton.—Fresh, and lamb, 7c.  
Hogs.—Dressed, 5½ to 6c.  
Cattle.—Butchers, 2½ to 2¾c.  
Hogs.—Live, off cars, 4 to 4½c.  
Sheep, average butchers 3c, live weight.  
Seneca Root.—24 to 25c per lb.  
Chickens.—8c a lb.  
Hides.—No. 1 cows, 2½c.  
Potatoes.—80 to 45c per bushel.  
Hay.—\$1.50 to \$5.00 per ton, car lots.  
Wool.—6 to 8½c, unwashed fleece.

This week last year was very wet, rain continuing nearly all the week and some snow. Threshing and wheat deliveries were almost entirely stopped, but the latter was considered an advantage, as country elevators were full and the trade approaching a block.

**Monthly Trade Returns.**

The inland revenue collections at Winnipeg during September were as follows:

Spirits.....	\$19,292 30
Tobacco.....	16,390 12
Malt.....	1,197 92
Cigars.....	738 50
Petroleum inspection.....	67 45
Licenses.....	50 00
Other receipts.....	93 18
	\$37,834 47
Receipts for September, 1891..	\$1,458 00

Increase..... \$976 47

The following statement shows the value of goods exported and entered for consumption and duty collected thereon during the month of September, at Winnipeg, compared with the same month of 1891:

Description	Value 1891	Value 1895
Exported.....	\$97,720 00	\$206,878 00
Entered for consumption, dutiable.....	138,314 00	175,880 00
Entered for consumption, free.....	55,818 00	40,911 00
Total for consumption	194,132 00	217,791 00
Duty collected.....	41,423 93	55,131 92

**Financial and Insurance Matters.**

Three insurance managers, Messrs. Smith, Heaton and Henshaw, of Montreal, have been in Winnipeg for several days and as a result of their trip the agencies for the Atlas and the Guardian Fire Insurance companies for Manitoba and the Territories have been transferred from Mr. Girdlestone to H. M. Lambert and the agency of the Royal Insurance company has been transferred to W. R. Allan. Mr. Lambert was sent from Montreal last January to look after the interests of the companies, it having been considered that they were not being properly represented here. Mr. Lambert has now been installed as full manager of the Winnipeg office of the two companies named and having the management of all business in Manitoba and the territories.

Heavy cutting is reported in grain insurance rates.

A statement submitted at a meeting of the directors of La Banque du Peuple, of Montreal, turns out to be more favorable than had been expected. It shows that after providing for liabilities to depositors and other liabilities, there will be a balance of some \$100,000 to \$500,000 available for distribution among the shareholders. Should the bank resume business the prospects are that the showing would be even more favorable with careful management.

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**BRITISH COLUMBIA BUSINESS REVIEW**

Vancouver, Oct. 1, 1895.

The people are inspired by the increased business prosperity which has taken place recently. Your correspondent interviewed retail merchants with a view of finding out if there had been an increase in the cash sales for the last three months. The spot cash sales have increased in that time from 18 to 20 per cent. This is an excellent indication of increased business prosperity in Vancouver, as all things being equal the seasons make no difference to trade, owing to the equitable climate. Among the many big deals which have gone through lately is the transfer of the Yellow Cypress timber limits to an English syndicate. By this stroke six Vancouver citizens divide \$135,000 among them, besides retaining an interest in the limits. The capital stock of the company which will work the limits, with head offices at Vancouver, will be half a million dollars. A lumber mill will be erected on the limits at once and operations commenced. This valuable wood is used for fine cabinet work, and sells sometimes as high as \$80 a thousand. There are the only limits in Canada of sufficiently fine quality and large enough in quantity to be worked at a profit. The lumber mills are this week very busy, and business continues to improve. The Moodyville mill has again started up and the Hastings mill has been cutting full time all season. Wholesale dealers report that fairly large orders are being received from the Interior, and as this was not looked for it is encouraging. A number of prominent members of the Vancouver board of trade have left for Kootenay, in an attempt to corral some of the trade for the terminal city. As the Canadian Pacific Railway have given the same rate from Victoria to the Interior as from Vancouver, the chances of trade are equal between the two cities. There is still great activity in Rossland, and many fortunes are being made in the Trail Creek mining district. The shares of one mine originally costing 10 cents each, are now being sold at \$2 each; there are many similar incidents of gigantic dividends in famous South Kootenay. The coal trade is increasing in Nanaimo, owing to cheap freight rates to the south, and the superiority of British Columbia coal over the United States article. Among the wholesalers all report an improvement, and indications of a much greater increase in business in the near future. There is little change in the market. Wholesalers say that butter will advance as Manitoba and the Territories are shipping east instead of to British Columbia. On this account stocks of butter are getting lower in this market, and the price is stiffening. Oats will be cheaper. Washington farmers are offering to sell oats in Washington at \$9, add \$3 duty and \$1.50 freight, and this means that they can be laid down in Vancouver at \$16.50. The farmers of British Columbia will have to meet this price, so that next week oats will probably be quoted in Vancouver at \$16.50. The New England Fish Co. have brought in their first shipload of halibut, and the price of that fish has fallen to 6½ cents a pound. In other respects the market remains about the same.

**British Columbia Markets.**

(BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.)

Vancouver, October 5, 1895.

Stocks of butter are much lighter than they have been for some time, and prices show an advancing tendency. Dairy is quoted at 16 to 17c and creamery 19 to 20c. Choice raw laid local eggs now bring 35c, Manitoba eggs 16 to 18c per dozen. Other prices are the same as quoted in The Commercial last week.

**British Columbia Business Notes.**

S. J. Webb, gunsmith, has assigned.  
J. W. Unwin, hotel, Kamloops, has been sold out by the bailiff.  
H. J. Robie, tailor, Nanaimo, has assigned.  
Shirley & Hoy, stoves, etc., have sold out to H. T. Kirk.  
J. F. Carbutt, grocery, etc., Vancouver is selling out.  
W. J. Jeffree, clothing, etc., Victoria, has assigned.  
Joseph Sears, painter, Victoria, is in financial troubles.  
McAuley & Grant, hotel, Vernon, have dissolved.  
J. C. Dixon, commission agent, Vancouver is succeeded by Wilson & Dixon.  
Alex. Macdonald, grocer, Winnipeg, is opening a branch store at Nelson.  
Wilson & Hooper, Auctioneers, etc., Vancouver have dissolved, W. H. Hooper continues.

A gentleman who has thoroughly tested every legitimate line in farming said to your correspondent yesterday. "There is money in chickens in this province. The sale of fresh eggs pays me better for the money invested than anything I ever tried in British Columbia and I have tried everything."

The Delta creamery is far past the experimental stage. There capacity is 500 pounds a day, but they are turning out about 250 to 300 pounds. Many of the farmers object to the creamery running on Sundays so that a day is lost each week. Victoria is the natural market for the creamery, and with the exception of Monday's shipment to Vancouver the capital absorbs the supply. The freight from Ladners to Victoria is less than to Vancouver as the shipment goes direct by the boat, being delivered at the stores by the Creamery Co. at 25 cents and sold at 35 cents per lb. The demand is far in excess of the supply, and not until their is a large creamery in every municipality will the home demand be satisfied. The season for creameries is longer than in Manitoba, therefore less expensive to run creameries here.

A prominent farmer said to your correspondent yesterday that fruit exporters had no complaint against the Canadian Pacific Railway in reference to freight rates. The people that were grumbling were not directly interested. The rate was rather high the first two shipments that were made this year, but had been reduced from \$2 to \$1.12 per hundred. This enabled shippers to dispose of their fruit in Manitoba to advantage. True this season the success has not been very great, but it was not freight rates, but bad packing and over ripe fruit that was responsible, and above all, the squabbling of two rival shipping syndicates, the Fraser River and Chilliwack societies, who would rather ruin their own prospects than have the rival syndicate get ahead of them. If the fruit growers unite, use care in packing their fruit, and send only good fruit, they will be able to do well next season.

**The Deep Waterways Convention.**

The Commercial has not space for a report of the proceedings of the International Deep-Waterways convention, which was in session at Cleveland recently. We will say, however, that the questions under discussion were of vast importance to western Canada. The work of the convention was crystallized in the following resolutions which were adopted:

"Recognizing the supreme utility of deep waterways through the great lakes and thence to the sea, and re-affirming in full the platform adopted at the organizing convention held in Toronto in 1891, the International Deep Waterways association, in first convention assembled, declares as follows:

1. That the public welfare demands the deepest practicable channels between the several lakes and to the seaboard to enable vessels of the most economical type to pass between lake ports, or between the lakes and the seaboard, or to foreign waters, without the necessity of transshipment.

2. That the said requirements call for at least a depth of twenty-one feet in all channels, and the building of all terminal structures for a navigable depth of twenty-six feet or more, in order that the water courses may be progressively and economically deepened to the ultimate necessity of traffic.

3. That the prompt action by the congress of the United States and the government of the Dominion of Canada, providing for a joint commission to investigate and report upon the establishment and maintenance of a deep waterway between the great lakes and the sea, conformably to the resolution adopted at Toronto in 1891, is a matter for congratulation, and that in view of the extended scope and great importance of the subjects to be examined by the said commission, this convention urges that the most liberal provision be made for the necessary expenses.

4. That the broadening of the channels through the connecting shallows between lakes Erie and Huron and lakes Huron and Superior, as recommended by lake carriers, is urgently demanded by the interests of commerce and is in line with the progressive development of a great trunk water route.

5. That the international interest in the great fresh water seas of the American continent and the ship routes joining them to the ocean is recognized, and that the use of their waters and the control of their levels, are proper subjects for international regulation.

6. That, pending the development of the best deep channel or channels to the ocean, the promised early completion of the St. Lawrence canals, by the Canadian government, if possible, with lengthened locks, will result in marked benefit to international commerce and the producers of the interior; and likewise the government in the state of New York, towards lessening the cost of transportation to tide water by improving the Erie canal, which must have a permanent value, is noted with satisfaction by this convention.

7. That with respect to the several resolutions offered concerning local canal projects, all enterprises designed to extend marine commerce through lateral routes tributary to the great lake system are to be encouraged.

8. That the convention calls special and renewed attention to the desirability of establishing a permanent international court, as set forth in the organized convention at Toronto in 1891.

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**Grain Exchange Resolutions.**

A special meeting of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, was held on Monday afternoon. Mr. Miall, of the Inland Revenue department was present, the meeting having been held with the object of conferring with him regarding the regulations governing the inspection of grain. Several railway officials and others interested in the grain trade were present. The following resolutions were adopted:

"That this meeting endorses the resolution passed by the council on Tuesday last, that inspection fees should be reduced to 40 cents per car, and that the whole fees go to the inspectors, they to provide assistance, etc., out of such fees."

"That in the opinion of this exchange the standards board as at present constituted, is altogether too cumbersome, and the exchange recommends to the Dominion Government that the grain inspectors at Fort William and Winnipeg, and the chairman of the western board of examiners and arbitrators be constituted a permanent board, to select such standards as the department may deem necessary."

"That the standards as made by the last standards board, other than commercial grades of No. 3 hard and No. 1 and No. 2 frosted be rejected, and that the inspectors be instructed to grade according to the wording of the act; and that this recommendation be forwarded to the department of inland revenue."

"That regular grades of wheat from interior points, containing an admixture of scoured wheat, be binned at Fort William separate from other grain."

"That in the opinion of this exchange it is advisable to have official weighmen placed at Winnipeg and Emerson in connection with the inspection department, so that any person desiring a government certificate of the weight of a carload of grain going into or out of an elevator at these points may be furnished with the same, the charge to be 25 cents per car."

"That this exchange request the Canadian Pacific Railway company to provide a tri-weekly train service on the Glenboro and Deloraine branches in order to meet the urgent requirements of the grain trade and general business necessities."

In connection with the first resolution it may be explained that the exchange is opposed to paying the inspectors by salary unless the government is prepared to assume full responsibility for inspection, including all loss arising from misgrading or other mistakes of inspectors. At present the inspectors are under heavy bonds to make good all loss caused by misgrading.

A lengthy discussion took place upon the question of mixing scoured wheat with the other grades. This discussion was brought about by a request from Mr. Miall for an expression of opinion from the exchange upon the subject. The members appeared to be greatly divided in their opinions upon this question and no resolutions were adopted expressing a direct opinion on this point.

In connection with the resolution regarding weighmasters, it may be stated that three years ago the exchange secured the passage of an act at Ottawa authorizing the appointment, under proper regulations, of officials to be known as weighmen.

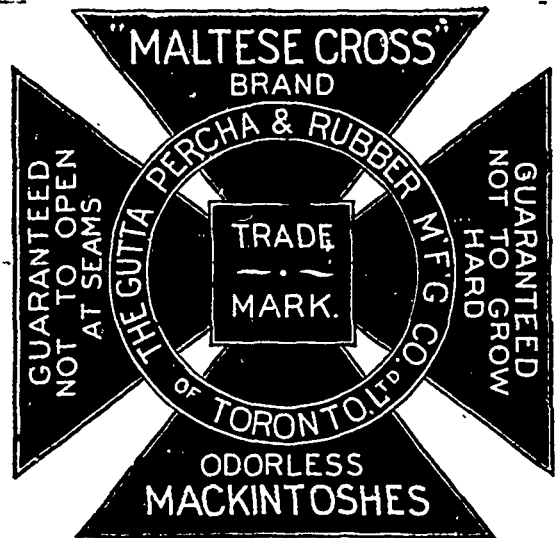
We have received a copy of a unique publication called H. M. Greene & Co.'s "History of Grain and the Grain Trade of the World." It is the publisher's desire to present a copy of the work to every miller, grain dealer and interested party in the United States, and all such wishing a free copy should address H. M. Greene & Co., Rialto Building, Chicago, Ill.

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Mr. Cavanagh, who represents the McCormick implements here, says that their sales of both binders and mowers in Manitoba this year were larger than the total imports of these machines at Winnipeg, as shown by recently published figures. The sales, however, included some machines carried over from last year. Mr. Cavanagh considers that the large sale of imported implements in Manitoba is due to the claim that the United States manufacturers make the best harvest machinery on earth. This year he says all the firms had no trouble in selling all the binders they brought in.

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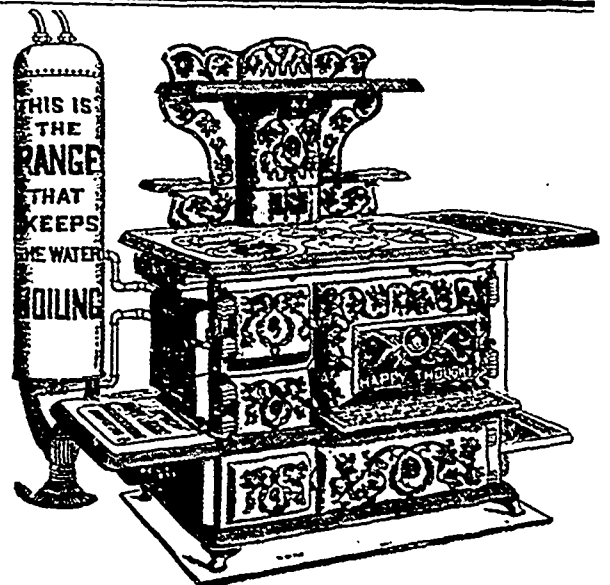
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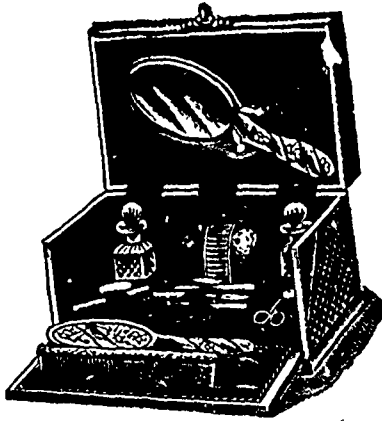
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### British Columbia

The following items of British Columbia news were held over from last week for lack of space.

H. E. Keat, grocer, Vancouver is selling out.

Robert Graham, hotel, Comox, has assigned.

The Messes Izan, fruits, Vancouver, out of business.

J. B. Atkinson, Plumber, Victoria is out of business.

T. C. Morgan, tailor, Union and Nanaimo, giving up the branch at Union.

The International Ice & Storage Co., Ltd. Vancouver, has sold out.

Elson & Wallinger, hotel, Fort Steele, have dissolved, Wallinger continues.

Lxtremouille & Lavery, hotel, Kamloops, have dissolved, J. A. Lavery continues.

Wm. Rols, trading as the Vancouver Drug Co., Vancouver, has sold out to Latherill & Co.

The Brunette lumber mills at Sapperton, near Westminster, recently destroyed by fire, will be rebuilt.

A. D. Aikouhead, who has managed T. A. Garland's store at Nelson since it was first opened, is to be succeeded by F. W. Swannell, of Portage la Prairie.

Another flour mill is being erected at Underby and every farmer in the district is a shareholder. So that the mill is practically a co-operative affair.

Vancouver Island coal is increasing in demand in California and Washington States, owing to cheap freight rates offered by tramp steamers.

Word has been received here that the Chilcotan country is being rapidly opened up by ranchers. Several large herds are doing well. Settlers are rapidly taking up the best land.

A company has been incorporated for the purpose of building a marine railway at Vancouver. The railway will be erected on Dead Man's Island and be built for the purpose of handling the largest boats that come to this port.

Recent shipments of cattle to the United Kingdom has raised stock values in the upper country about \$5 a head, and it is expected that the trade thus inaugurated will considerably and profitably develop.

Only about one million tons of oats were in before the wet weather commenced. A large acreage has been more or less affected by the damp, but with the abundant crop it is thought that the local market will be supplied by the British Columbia farmers with all the oats required without importing.

Coho salmon have been running strong this week and an unusually large number of

white salmon will be canned. So many fishermen are out that the cohoes have dropped to 10 cents each, so that the five canneries packing them are fortunate in deciding to remain open until the last of the season.

The reduction of the Canadian Pacific Railway freight rates between the agricultural districts of British Columbia and points in the Kootenay mining country meets with the satisfaction of a large body of agriculturists on the mainland of British Columbia. It is expected as a result that a profitable market will be found for home products in the gold, copper, and silver mining districts of western Kootenay.

The returns of the first car of fruit and vegetables, shipped out by the Kelowna Okanagan shippers are very encouraging. When Calgary was reached there was little left for the people of that town. Good prices were realized. On his way back from Winnipeg, Mr. Rao, in charge of the car, was assured all along the line, that the goods gave satisfaction. Another was sent to Calgary last Saturday and one to Kootenay.

The total British Columbia salmon pack is 513,693 cases, close to the estimate sent to The Commercial a month ago. Five canneries are packing cohoes and the run promises to be large. The salmon industry this season may be said to beat the record. Besides the canned salmon, several hundred tons of frozen salmon have been shipped. Seven thousand persons have been employed in and about the canneries. The fishermen have received over half a million dollars in wages, and the province is \$2,500,000 richer.

Collins & Holman have grown some excellent tobacco on their Okanagan farm. Samples of the tobacco have been cured and made into cigars by Wm. Tietgen, cigar manufacturer who pronounces the 'weed' of excellent quality, in fact predicts that with proper care, the revenue of the province will be largely added to by the successful cultivation of tobacco. In Canada last year 120,000,000 cigars were made from imported tobacco. There is an excise duty of \$5 a thousand on imported cigars and only \$3 on cigars made from native grown tobacco.

Most encouraging reports continue to come in from the mining country as far as the reports of rich finds are concerned, but the discouraging intelligence that gigantic dividends on several mines are going to Spokane, from British Columbia, makes the news less welcome than it otherwise would be. It was impossible in the early days of development to get English capital in any quantity into Trail Creek district, but the United States millionaire was close at hand, saw that the country was what it was represented, and invested his capital. He is getting his deserved reward, and is helping to enrich

his country out of the natural wealth of British Columbia and of Canada.

Prof. Robertson, Dominion Dairy Commissioner, has been delighting Victoria audiences by his lecture, "The People's Bread and Butter." The professor will lecture in Chilliwack, Vernon, Westminster and Vancouver. In an interview Prof. Robertson said that Manitoba was pleased with British Columbia fruit on the whole, and he was personally much gratified that Manitoba and the territories were willing to buy British Columbia fruit. He expected in the near future to see a large sale for British Columbia canned fruit in Manitoba. As is the case with all intelligent prominent men who visit the Canadian Pacific Coast, Prof. Robertson expresses surprise and delight at the magnificent resources of the province.

In speaking of the proposed liaseed oil mill at Mission City, the Westminster Daily Columbian says that the necessary seed will be imported until a supply can be procured from local farmers. The company will be in a position to enter into contracts by the 1st of January for the product of 5,000 to 5,000 acres, for which 80 cts. a bushel of 60 lbs. will be paid for clean, well matured seed, delivered at the mill. It is estimated that the crop will be greater in British Columbia than has been obtained in Manitoba, where the yield is from 20 to 30 bushels to the acre, when grown for seed only. The Columbian's estimate of the yield of flax in Manitoba is much too high. The average yield in Manitoba is about eleven or twelve bushels per acre, though it will perhaps be nearly 15 bushels this year.

In an interview Mr. Clarke Wallace, controller of customs, at present on the coast, said that last month there was over \$6,000 collected in customs at the town of Roseland, and this is an average return for the past six months. It seems a good deal of money to get out of the United States citizens for privilege of moving into the country, but it is only a flea-bite to what they are getting out of us. All that can be done is being done to prevent this drain of our wealth into the States. The C.P.R. are building a net-work of rails in Kootenay. A smelter is being erected at Trail; another smelter is to be erected at Vancouver. While the wholesalers of Victoria, Vancouver, and Winnipeg will eventually control the trade of Kootenay. In fact, the members of the Victoria board of trade, who have returned from a business trip through the Kootenays, say that with the assistance of the C.P.R., who have made the rates to Kootenay the same from Victoria as Vancouver, that they will be able to successfully compete with the Spokane wholesalers. They report that they were welcomed in Kootenay with open arms, and also given every assurance that the merchants would deal in British Columbia markets, all things being equal.

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## Montreal Grain and Produce Market.

**Flour.**—Millers west of Toronto write to the effect that, owing to the scarcity of wheat caused by farmers refusing to deliver, they have had to pay an advance of 2 to 8c per bushel for what they could get, and hence they ought to receive at least 10c per barrel more for their flour. There have been actual sales of Ontario straight rollers this week at \$3.05 on track here for all new wheat flour. For half old and new wheat \$3.12½ to \$3.15 on track here, and for all old wheat flour \$3.25 on track. About 10 to 15c may be added to these prices for the jobbing trade. Several sales of straight roller have been made at the mills west of Toronto for Quebec and the Lower Province trade at equal to \$3 to \$3.05 here, said to be new wheat flour. Very little Ontario has been going to Newfoundland, as United States flour seems to supply that market.

**Oatmeal.**—In bags, granulated and rolled are quoted at \$1.80 to \$1.85, and standard at \$1.70 to \$1.80. Pot barley \$1.25 in bbls. and \$2 in bags, and split peas \$3.50

**Bran, etc.**—During the past week there has been a fair inquiry for bran, with sales of car lots at \$14.75 to \$14.50 and \$14.25, and we quote \$14.25 to \$14.75. Shorts have been placed at \$16 to \$17.50 as to grade.

**Oats.**—Prices on the easy side, the sale of 6,000 bushels being reported at 30½c and a car at 30¾c. Mixed oats are quoted at 28c to 28¾c. A large crop has been harvested in Quebec.

**Barley.**—Malting barley is quoted at 52 to 55c; feed 46 to 47c.

**Pork, Lard, etc.**—Owing to the decline in the price of pork in Chicago, regular mess pork has been brought in from that city at about \$19.25 laid down here. Shipments of bacon continue to be made by local curers to the English market: Canada short cut pork, per bbl., \$15.50 to \$16.50; Canada thin mess, per bbl., \$14 to \$14.50; Hams, per lb., 9 to 11c; Lard, pure, in pails, per lb., 8¾c to 9c; Lard, compound, in pails, per lb., 6¾ to 7c; Bacon, per lb., 9 to 11c; Shoulders, per lb., 8 to 8¾c.

**Butter.**—Sales have been made of September creamery at 17½ to 18c in the country, and sales are also reported at these figures delivered here, while some factories are holding for higher prices for their September goods. They did the same thing last year and instead of getting 21 to 22c as they could have done, they held on till the English demand fell off, and they eventually sold a good deal of it at 10 to 14c last spring. Eastern Townships selected have sold at 15 to 15½c in lots. Western dairy 13 to 14c.

**Cheese.**—There has been a decidedly better feeling since our last report under which prices have increased ½ to ¾c per lb.; and at the advance considerable business has transpired in the country, 20,000 boxes of August, September and October cheese having been contracted in the Belleville section at 8c. The Quebec cheese sold at the boat on Monday at 7½ to 7¾c. Sales on this market have been made of finest Western at 8 to 8½c, about 2,000 boxes being placed at these figures. Although some English houses have gone in for finest fall goods at 8c at the factory, others have been loth to follow. Of course, it is possible they may be able to buy cheaper later on; but we are of opinion they will pay more money, as they have not taken into consideration the shrinkage in the fall make. It is estimated that at the close of the present season the shipments from Montreal and United States ports will show a deficit of 400,000 boxes.

**Eggs.**—The market is firmer and holders have been enabled to secure fully ½ to ¾c more, sales of choice candled stock being re-

ported at 11½ to 11¾c, and in small lots at 12 to 12½c.

**Hides.**—There is no change this week, the market remaining steady with demand and supply about equal. Calfskins have declined 1c in this market and are now quoted at 7c. We quote prices here as follows: Light hides 8½c for No. 1, 7½c for No. 2, and 6½c for No. 3; Heavy hides 8½ to 9c; Calfskins 7c; Lambskins 45c.—Trade Bulletin, Sept. 27.

### Mr. Bawlf Scores One.

It is one of the grievances of Manitoba millers, as they allege, that Ontario millers place flour on the Eastern markets, branded as Manitoba flour, which contains very little if any Manitoba wheat. This the western millers claim subjects them to an unfair competition and at the same time injures the reputation of Manitoba flour by having soft wheat flours branded as Manitoban. At the recent meeting at the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, when the standards board was present, Mr. Bawlf, the Winnipeg grain man, told a little story which illustrated this matter and at the same time caused a hearty laugh, much to the discomfiture of the representatives of the Ontario millers who were present. The discussion was waxing hot on the question of mixing scoured wheat with the regular grades. Mr. Watts, secretary of the Ontario millers' association, had the floor. Of course he opposed mixing strongly and stated that the Manitoba scoured wheat which had been purchased by Ontario millers had not given satisfactory results.

Mr. Bawlf here interrupted by asking Mr. Watts if they did not put this scoured wheat flour on the Eastern markets as the product of the choicest Manitoba wheat.

Mr. Watts said that this scoured wheat had been ground into low grade flour for export.

Again Mr. Bawlf interposed: "Are you quite sure of that?"

Mr. Watts positively assured the meeting that not one bushel of this scoured wheat flour had ever been put on the eastern markets as Manitoba product.

"Well," said Mr. Bawlf, "I was down to Ontario a short time ago, and I called on an old friend of mine there who is a miller. I found him busy turning out about 200 barrels of flour per day. I noticed that all the bags about the mill, both full and empty, were branded 'Manitoba flour.' Finally I said to the miller, 'John, how is it you are not giving me any more orders for Manitoba wheat?' He replied that he had given me the order for the last car of Manitoba wheat he had used. 'But I said, that was away last March. You must have used a pile of Manitoba wheat since then.' 'No' said the miller, 'I have not used any since then' 'Why,' I replied 'you don't seem to have anything around your mill but bags branded Manitoba flour.' To this the miller said that he had nothing to do with the brands. The bags were sent him from the dealers in Montreal and he simply filled them with flour."

Great laughter followed this little episode, the inference being that if Eastern wheat flour was put on the market branded Manitoba flour, in the way described by Mr. Bawlf, that very likely the scoured wheat flour went on the market in much the same way, Mr. Watts' positive assurances to the contrary notwithstanding.

At any rate the little diversion was enjoyed immensely by the meeting, with the exception of course of the representative of the Ontario millers.

J. Y. Griffin, the Winnipeg packer, who has lately returned from Ontario, says that the crops in that province are turning out much better than was expected. The people

got unnecessarily alarmed about the drouth and thus the impression was sent abroad that the crops were a great deal worse than they really were. One thing he noticed was the great increase in the corn area, and it is a good crop too. Ontario is getting to be quite a corn country, and in connection with this the hog industry is also growing extensively there.

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