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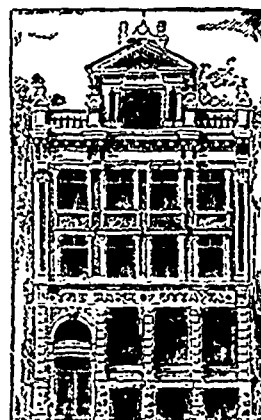
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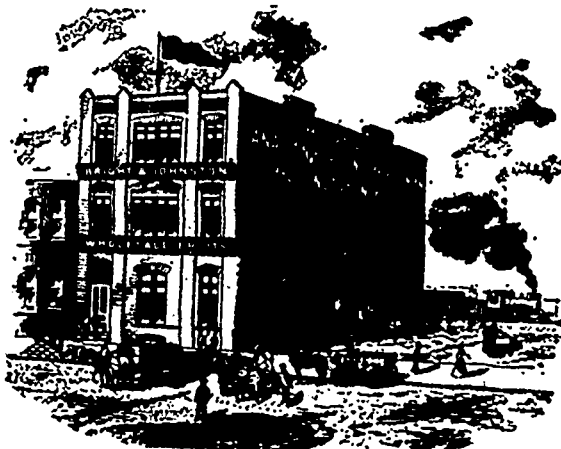
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WINNIPEG, JUNE 18, 1898.

Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, B. C., June 13.—There were numerous changes in the market last week. California and Sound steamers continue to bring in large supplies of early fruit. Peaches have been placed on sale. Local cherries are on the market and apples and gooseberries are for sale for the first time this week. In vegetables local new potatoes have arrived, the former quoted at four cents, and the latter at eight cents. Provision merchants report much activity; creamery and dairy butter have fallen and cheese will be lower when this is in print. The hardware firms continue to do a large steady business in mining outfits. Flour has declined in sympathy with the recent drop in wheat, but prices still continue higher than the average.

There is a good feeling generally among the salmon canneries, who are well pleased to learn that no changes are to be made in the regulations this year. Those who own traps on the American side of the line are, however, dissatisfied that no intimation has been received of the taking off of the import duty.

The lumber trade continues in some departments to be quite exceptionally active, big shipments are being made east, while there is a large local demand for salmon cases. New buildings on a large scale and extensive public improvements are also causing considerable demands for local lumber. The lumber mills are working 12 hours a day.

An interview with Mr. Thos. Cunningham, provincial fruit inspector and lecturer, states that never during 24 years' experience in the province, has

he known so fine a June for strawberries and small fruit ripening and gathering. He anticipates a very large crop of strawberries this season, accompanied as regards the Vancouver district generally, by satisfactory prices. The hay and oats crop seems very bountiful, and it is likely will be gathered in excellent condition. Mr. Cunningham thinks that on the whole the large fruit crop will be very fair though somewhat damaged by frost.

Grocery Trade Notes.

The reduction in yellow sugars by Montreal refiners, noted in The Commercial telegrams last week, was somewhat of a surprise, in view of the strong tone of the raw sugar market, and small supplies.

The Patras currant market, owing to the restricted demand from abroad, has declined lately to about 17s 3d for good provincials; 17s 6d for fine and extra; 18s 9d for fine Patras, and 21s 9d for fine Vostizza. The stocks now in Greece are reduced to about 6,000. The new crop promises a good yield.

The Montreal Gazette says: There has been considerable activity in the tea market during the past week. The demand has been chiefly from New York buyers, owing to the prospects of a duty being placed on teas in the United States. A sale of one lot of 600 packages Japan was made, at 16c to 18c, and one lot of 300 Ping-Suez at 17c to 22c, for shipment to the United States. Another shipment of 400 Ping-Suez was also made on consignment, as prices for these teas in the United States at present are 5c per lb higher than the figure ruling here. A lot of 300 boxes of gunpowder was sold on local account at 13c. Late advices from Yokohama state that suitable teas for Canada are 21-2c to 3c per pound higher than last season.

At a recent meeting of the British Columbia Fruit Exchange at New Westminster, J. R. Anderson, deputy minister of agriculture, read a report from the special committee appointed at the last meeting to investigate the alleged adulteration of preserves. It referred to the importance of the present jam factories, the good work done by the Fruit Exchange in securing outside markets for the larger fruits, but stated that the disposal of the small fruits was largely dependent upon the fruit canneries. These had suffered from outside competition which flooded the markets with adulterated products. In some instances it was found that the latter contained only 15 per cent of the fruit supposed to be preserved, 40 per cent sugar and the balance glucose and foreign substances, such as apple parings, carrots, etc. The pure article should contain 50 per cent fruit and 50 per cent sugar. It was thus impossible for British Columbia canneries to compete with the adulterated product. In California the adulteration of fruit was legislated against with good results, and the committee suggested the urging of the Dominion government to enforce existing legislation, and the appointment of proper inspectors for the protection of local fruit growers and fruit canners. Some discussion took place on this report and it was decided that the same committee proceed with the investigations, and the sum of \$50 was placed at its disposal for the purpose of having the necessary analysis made of samples of adulterated brands.

Movements of Business Men

A. P. Stuart, of the Northern Elevator company, has returned from New York.

A. C. Flummerfelt, of Victoria, B.C., a member of the Ames, Holden Co., passed through on his way to Montreal the first of the week.

G. L. Calus, managing partner of the wholesale dry goods firm of S. Green-shields, Son & Co., Montreal, is making a tour of the west.

H. Cockshutt, manager of the Cockshutt Plow Works, Brantford, returned east the first of the week. He has been some weeks in the west, looking after the extensive interests of his company here.

Mr. Crawford, representing Gault Bros., returned this week from a two months' trip on the Canadian Pacific railway main line west. He says the feeling throughout the country is very hopeful, owing to favorable crop outlook.

G. W. Hastings, of the Lake of the Woods Milling company, Winnipeg, and Mrs. Hastings, have returned to Montreal from a three months' visit in Europe. They will spend a few days with their friends before continuing their journey westward. Mr. and Mrs. Hastings have, during their travels, visited many places of interest including Buda Pesth, the great milling centre of Hungary.

A. A. Mackenzie, formerly an active member of the wholesale firm of Mackenzie & Mills, Winnipeg, was in the city this week, returning from an eastern trip. Mr. Mackenzie has been in the Kootenay country for several years and now has his headquarters at Rossland. Like most others in that country, Mr. Mackenzie has given considerable attention to mining, and he is the owner of a number of claims. One or two of these he is now developing, having formed a company known as the Castle Gold Mining company. Development work is now proceeding and the prospects are very encouraging. Mr. Mackenzie has great faith in the future of the Kootenay, and in fact Canada in general, as a mining country. He says Canada will soon be the greatest mining country in the world.

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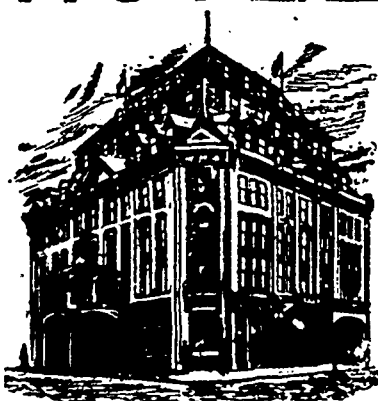
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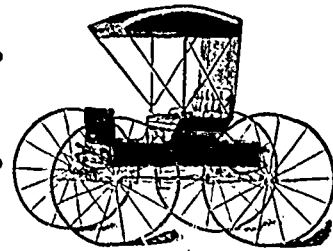
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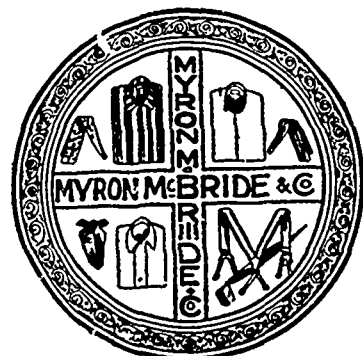
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Statistical Wheat Reports.

WHEAT IN CANADA

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

Montreal	424,000
Toronto	21,000
Kingston	15,000
Winnipeg	140,000
Manitoba elevators	860,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	580,000

Total June 4 2,040,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on June 4, were 27,479,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 35,222,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on June 1 were 3,236,000 bushels, compared with 1,221,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ended June 11, was 19,682,030 bushels, being a decrease of 2,905,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 22,686,000 bushels, two years ago 50,147,000 bushels, three years ago 47,717,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago	1,007,000 bushels
Duluth	4,199,000 "
Minneapolis	7,830,000 "
New York	3,619,000 "
Buffalo	973,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, is 7,113,000 bushels, compared with 9,756,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 21,445,000 bushels, compared with 16,621,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on June 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: June 1, 1898, 99,462,000; June 1, 1897, 94,696,000; June 1, 1896, 133,329,000; June 1, 1895 158,320,000.

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets from the beginning of the crop year, August 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis	71,159,800	57,866,960
Milwaukee	8,956,003	7,484,587
Duluth	41,223,359	43,620,343
Chicago	36,350,546	14,938,249

Total 157,699,708 123,912,139

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United

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States winter wheat markets from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo	14,296,174	7,191,093
St. Louis	12,064,208	11,294,477
Detroit	4,916,313	3,206,279
Kansas City	29,210,972	7,037,400
Total	60,487,667	28,728,249

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

Prices as to size and color, for prime skins. Skins taken out of season range much lower:

Badger	\$.05	\$.50
Bear, black	5.00	25.00
Bear, brown	4.00	20.00
Bear, yearlings	2.00	8.00
Bear, grizzly	5.00	16.00
Beaver, large	5.00	6.50
" medium	3.00	4.00
" small	1.50	2.25
" cubs . . . . .	.50	1.00
" castors, per lb	2.50	5.50
Fisher, dark	6.00	9.00
Fisher, pale	3.00	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large	5.00	15.00
" cross pale	2.50	5.00
" kitt . . . . .	.10	.50
" red	1.00	1.60
" silver dark	40.00	75.00
" peale	25.00	60.00
Lynx, large	1.50	2.00
" medium	1.00	1.25
" small . . . . .	.50	.75
Marten, dark	2.50	5.00
" pale or brown	1.50	4.00
" light pale	1.00	2.25
Mink, dark	1.00	1.50
Mink, pale . . . . .	.75	1.25
Musquash, winter . . . . .	.04	.09
" spring . . . . .	.07	.10
Otter, dark	6.00	10.00
Otter, pale	5.00	8.00
Skunk . . . . .	.25	.50
Wolf, timber	1.00	1.50
" prairie . . . . .	.40	.75
Wolverine	1.00	3.50

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, in store Fort William, 70@70½c.
Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.00; Bakers, \$1.80.
Bran—Per ton, \$6.
Shorts—Per ton, \$8.
Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 22@22½c for No. 2 white.
Barley—Feed, 23@24c; Malting, 25@28c per bushel.
Butter—Dairy, Shippers buying at 9@10c, and 14@14½c paid for creamery at the factory.
Cheese—7½@8c paid to factories.
Eggs—Fresh selling at 10½@11c.
Beef—City dressed, fresh, 6½@7½c.
Mutton—8@8½c.

Hogs—Dressed, 5½@6c.
Cattle—Butchers, 3½@4½c.
Hogs—Live, off cars, 4½@4½c for best bacon.
Sheep—3½@4c off cars here.
Hides—No. 1 green, 6½c.
Wool, 9@10c.
Seneca Root—Dry, 15c.
Poultry—Chickens, 50c per pair; turkeys, 9c per lb., live.
Potatoes—10@45c per bus..cl.
Hay—4.50@\$5 per ton.

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Official United States Crop Report.

Washington, June 10.—Preliminary returns of the spring wheat acreage indicate a total area seeded of 16,800,000 acres, which added to the area in winter wheat, 26,200,000 acres, makes a total wheat acreage of 43,000,000, or rather 3,500,000 acres greater than last year. There is an increase of 8 per cent in Minnesota, 22 in Iowa, 19 in Nebraska, 11 in North Dakota, 8 in South Dakota, 5 in Oregon and 20 in Washington.

The average condition of winter wheat is 90.8 as compared with 78.5 at the corresponding average for the last ten years.

The average condition of spring wheat is the almost if not entirely unprecedented one of 100.9, as compared with 89.6 on June 1, '97; 92.5 the average for the past ten years.

The total reported acreage in oats is 1.6 per cent less than last year. The condition of oats is 98 as compared with 93.3 on June 1, 1897, and 99.5 the average for the corresponding date for the past ten years.

The acreage reported as under barley is 5.3 per cent less than last year. The condition of barley is 78.8, as compared with 87.4, on June 1, 1897, and 89.9 the average at the corresponding date for the last ten years.

Wheat Demoralized.

An afterglow of the Leiter wheat corner came on Monday, when the cash market went to pieces, under heavy selling. After all it appears that the Leiter "deal" has been a financial failure. Owing to the high price to which wheat had been manipulated of late by the boomsters, it was thought that Leiter would get out all right. It appears, however, that he was unable to dispose of a sufficiently large quantity of his cash wheat to let him out safely. Notwithstanding the tremendous "boom" in wheat, cash business was evidently not nearly as large as was supposed, and no doubt Leiter was obliged to buy a great deal of dear wheat in order to bolster up the market. Leiter held large quantities of wheat distributed all the way from Minneapolis and Duluth to Liverpool, London, and Glasgow.

The heavy drop in the May option on the settling day of last month, indicated that the short interest was not large, at least in comparison with supplies of cash wheat. There was lots of wheat available which had no doubt been held in expectation of a squeeze at the end of the month. The squeeze did not come. Now the collapse has come in cash wheat, and Leiter's corner has gone the way previous efforts of this kind to corner wheat have gone. Failure seems inevitable in wheat corners.

With the final collapse of this manipulated condition, wheat will no doubt work down to a legitimate basis. The Commercial took the ground that the recent wonderful "boom" in wheat was the result of manipulation, assisted by a wild speculative spirit resulting from the war fever. The result has proved the truth of this theory. There was nothing in the war itself to cause any great advance in wheat, but the war created an unnatural state of excitement and speculative sentiment, which enabled the "boomsters" to easily manipulate the market, but af-

ter all they were not able to work the corner through successfully.

The Chicago speculators may succeed in making such arrangements for the disposal of Leiter's cash wheat as will prevent a further heavy break in the market. This, however, remains to be seen. September and December options declined some, but not heavily. The Commercial said in the market review only a week ago, that the "price of September wheat was evidently quite high enough upon which to base ideas of value." This statement still appears to be a legitimate view of the situation.

The Live Stock Trade.

A cable from Liverpool on June 13 quoted choice Canadian cattle at 10 1-4c to 10 1-2c.

W. Galloway, of Gladstone, has the beef contract for the Southeastern and main river railway construction.

British cables received state that in some cases Canadian cattle sold this week in England showed losses of \$8 to \$10 per head.

The Montreal Gazette says: All the Manchester space for June has been engaged at 40s, and a good figure has been offered for it for the balance of the season.

The Manitoba government June crop bulletin says: The number of cattle fed for beef was 828 less than during the winters of 1896 and 1897. The number of milk cows in the province is estimated at 74,773, an increase of 9,568 over that of last year.

London, June 13.—The supply of cattle was in excess of requirements. The market, however, was about steady. Choice Canadians quoted at 10 1-2c; United States cattle at 10 3-4c, and Argentines at 9c. The market for sheep was 1-2c higher at 10 to 10 1-2c.

Grain and Milling News.

The Roland Farmers' Elevator Co., of Roland, Man., has been incorporated. The capital stock is placed at \$12,000.

Messrs. Cole & Gable, who contemplate establishing a flour mill at Dauphin, Man., want a free site and tax exemption for twenty years.

The total shipment of wheat from Indian Head, Assa., for the season just closed amount to 461,115 bushels.

The Lumber Trade.

D. Ross, the Whitemouth lumberman, was in the city this week. Since the recent heavy rains, Mr. Ross has more hope of getting his cut of logs floated down to the mill.

The Minneapolis Lumberman says: There has been no further weakening in the prices for red cedar shingles. The selling price in the local market is about \$2.05 per thousand for "A"s, and the jobbers do not believe it will go any lower. There are few of the mills out west that will manufacture shingles after the price goes lower than \$1.20 and when the price goes below that they shut down.

Hardware and Paint Trade

At a secret meeting held at Chattanooga, Tennessee, recently the Southern iron pipe companies were consolidated into the American Pipe

and Foundry Company, a corporation with \$2,000,000 capital and a bonded indebtedness of \$1,500,000.

United States refined petroleum is reported 1-2 to 2 1-2c lower in eastern markets.

Freight Rates.

Chicago Trade Bulletin says: The advance in rates on provisions to 30c per 100 lbs, Chicago to New York, has reduced shipments. Grain rates are to advance to 17 1-2c per 100 lbs on corn and 20c on other grains to New York on June 13. The rate from New York to Liverpool is 23-4 to 3d. Through rates from Chicago to Liverpool are 13 1-2c per bushel on wheat. Flour is 21 1-4 to 23c per 100 lbs. Lake and rail rates to New England are 16 1-2c per 100 lbs on flour, 9 1-2c per bushel on wheat. Lake rates from Chicago to Buffalo were easy, with a fair business at 11-8c on wheat and 1c on oats. Wheat to Kingston 2 1-8c.

Financial Notes.

Some \$15,000 Neepawa, Man., and \$7,500 Medicine Hat, Assa., school debentures are offered for sale.

W. B. Graveley, who for the past seven years has filled the position of manager of the Calgary branch of the Bank of Montreal, has been notified of his promotion to the managership of the Halifax branch.

The Bank of Ottawa has opened a branch at Dauphin, Man., under the managership of G. L. Irwin, who has heretofore conducted a private bank at Dauphin. Mr. Irwin will be assisted by Mr. Parker, from the Winnipeg office.

The tender of A. S. Drummond for the purchase of \$75,000, Winnipeg school, of debentures, has been accepted, being the best offered. The offer is 94 1-2c for 3 1-2 per cent debentures. The debentures were expected to bring par. The board have \$25,000 debentures to offer later.

John Wyld and Alex. Nairn, of Toronto have been making a trip through Manitoba in the interest of financial concerns with which they are associated. Mr. Wyld is a member of the Toronto wholesale firm of Wyld, Grasset & Darling, Toronto. They report signs of prosperity wherever they went.

Insurance Items.

Winnipeg dailies contain a want advertisement for an experienced insurance man to act as inspector for a company in the west.

William P. Stewart, of the Mutual Life Insurance company, arrived in Winnipeg this week and was introduced by local manager, W. P. Sweatman. Mr. Stewart has been on a trip to the Pacific coast in the interest of his company and returned via the Canadian business at 1 1-8c on wheat and pleased with the outlook here, and believes Winnipeg has a great future.

The annual report of the Dominion experimental farms for 1897 has been received. It gives in detail the report of the branch farms in the west, as well as the central and eastern branch farms, and contains a great deal of valuable information for the farmer, the stock raiser, the gardener, etc.



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Crop Reports.

Crop advices received from Northern Pacific stations in Manitoba continue to be extremely gratifying. The late rains have had a beneficial effect generally and in some places, particularly Portage la Prairie, it is thought that the crops are fully a month ahead of last year at this time. A slight frost was experienced at Letellier, but no damage resulted.

Brandon—There has been an abundance of rain during the last week, and late sown grain, which was not coming on very well, is growing nicely, and on the whole never saw crops looking better at this season of the year.

Routhwalte—Crops picking up and looking well after the frequent rains of the past week. Some of the wheat looks a little mowed on account of some of it not coming up till the last heavy rain or so. Every prospect of a good crop at present. Weather fine and cool.

Hilton—The weather the last week has been very favorable for the crops. We

root crop is a little backward, but it has picked up wonderfully since the heavy rain of June 10. Weather is all that could be desired.

Miami—Another week of very favorable weather for the growing crops. Frequent showers and sunshine are forcing on the grain at a rapid rate. There is danger now of the crop being too heavy on new land causing it to lodge. Prospects for an early and bountiful harvest could not be better than at present.

Roland—The new crop doing fine. The weather is mostly clear and warm; frequent showers of rain.

Morris—Since my last report weather has been exceedingly fine; crops are growing very fast and look well. Growth and color of grain is considerably ahead of last season at this time of year. The recent rains have made new land considerably easy to break, and farmers are taking advantage of it.

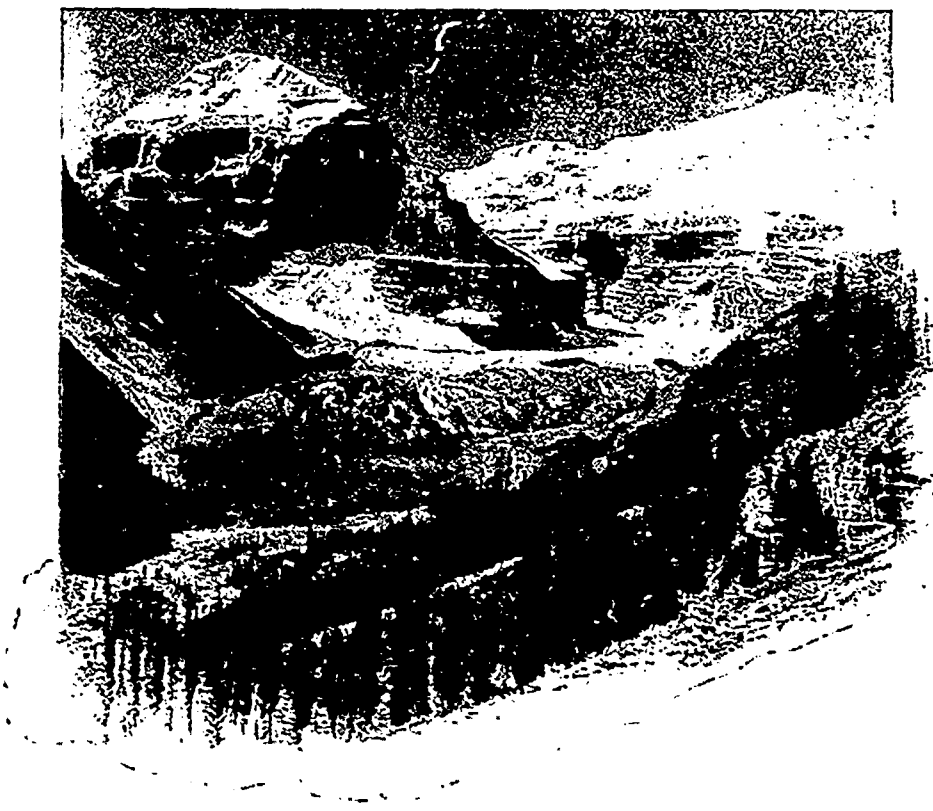
St. Jean—Heavy shower of rain on June 10th; ground in good condition; crops doing well.

Westbourne—Owing to the frequent showers of rain lately, crops of all kinds are reported as in fair condition and the prospects are that there will be a good average crop. All crops are about one week earlier than at this time last year. No damage reported by frost.

Gladstone—Crops in this vicinity have improved a great deal with the recent rains, and are fully two weeks ahead of last year. Prospects have not been better for years. No damage by frost.

Arden—Wheat now shows a growth of from 12 to 14 inches. Everything is pointing to a very early harvest, providing the grain is not set back by frost or cold weather. Since last report there have been numerous heavy rains and cool weather has prevailed. All classes of grain could not possibly look better. Season is a week to ten days ahead of this time last year.

Neepawa—During the past two weeks the crops in this neighborhood have made rapid progress and are now ten days to two weeks further advanced than at this time last year. Farmers say the prospects were never better, and they



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have had several good showers of rain and crops of all kinds are looking up splendidly. Prospects are much better now than at any previous time this season.

Belmont—The weather during the past week has been very favorable for the growing crop. Farmers report crops coming on nicely, looking strong and healthy, but could stand a little more rain now. Potatoes and garden stuff look well. Hay in this district is a little backward owing to the dry spring.

Baldur—Another heavy rain on the 10th inst., succeeding that of the 5th has done untold good to the crops. They are growing rapidly, although in some districts the weeds, principally buckwheat, have got a big start, and it is feared may hurt the wheat to some extent, but not much.

Somerset—Weather since last report has been very favorable for growing crops. Plenty of rain. All grain in this vicinity looking well.

Attanont—Since last report we have had abundance of rain, which has left the grain crop in first-class shape. The

Letellier—During the past week we have had a couple of nice showers, proving of great benefit to the grain. Altogether the weather the past week has been favorable for the crop, which still continues in excellent condition, and growing rapidly. A light frost early on the morning of the 14th; no damage reported. Prospect good.

Emerson—Several fine showers since last report. Everything growing nicely and prospects could not be better.

Portage la Prairie—Many people claim the crops are fully a month ahead of last year at this time, at all events the growth is exceedingly rapid and healthy. We have had a few showers since last report, but rain is not needed just now. The weather keeps very cool, but not cold enough for frost. I have nothing of an unfavorable nature to report.

NORTHWESTERN MANITOBA CROPS

The crop report of the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway company for two weeks ending the 15th June, is as follows:

are looking forward to a large yield of grain.

Minnedosa—The low fine showers we have had lately have made a great improvement in all crops here. The late sown grain is now advancing fast. As compared with this time last year the grain is not so far advanced by fully a week. The frost has set growth back about a week.

Rapid City—Crops in this district are looking splendid; the recent rains have been of great benefit to them. A slight frost is reported from some parts on Monday night, but no damage to the grain reported. Grain of all kinds is still nearly a week ahead of this time last year. More rain is needed.

Newdale—The heavy rains of last week have helped the growth of all kinds of crops and prospects at present are good for a fine harvest. No damage reported by frost. Wheat, as compared with last year, is a few days earlier; oats and barley about the same.

Strathclair—Owing to the recent showers, crops of all kinds are reported to be doing well. If the weather con-

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times favorable the farmers expect a good yield. Some of the crops have been slightly damaged by frost, but not very severely; the growth is about the same as at this time last year.

Shoal Lake—Since last report we have had several heavy rains, which were badly needed, and the growth of all crops has advanced considerably, although the nights have been cool, with slight frosts. Very little damage, however, has been done, potatoes in some places being slightly touched. Growth is about a week in advance of last year. Warmer weather would make a vast difference now.

Birtle—Recent heavy rains have greatly advanced the wheat crop and prospects are now fairly good for an average yield. The ground is well soaked and warm weather would cause a rapid growth of all kinds of grain and vegetables. Wheat is about a week behind last year; frost has retarded the growth of oats a little, but they are now coming on in good shape.

Bluscarth—Crops in this district are coming on fast and look fine after the recent rains of the past week. A good yield is now looked for. No report of any damage by frost. Grain is fully one week in advance of same time last year.

Russell—The crops are not looking as well to-day as might be expected for this season of the year. The frost of last week cut the grain down considerably, especially the oats; wheat has not suffered quite so much, but has been put back and its growth retarded. The probabilities are that the oat crop will be light, although with warm weather and a continuation of the splendid rains which we have had lately, there ought to be a good average crop all round. The growth is a few days behind this date last year.

Langenburg—Crops in this district are looking and doing as well as can be expected after the frost of two weeks ago. They have made great advancement lately, owing to the grand showers and fine growing weather we have had. The crops are about two weeks later now than at this time last year.

Saltonstons—Crops in this vicinity are advancing nicely, considering the cold weather. The recent rains have helped them wonderfully and prospects at present are good for a fair crop of all grains. No damage to speak of has yet been done by frost. Advancement is about the same as at this time last year.

Yorkton—Growing crops are looking splendid. The recent warm showers have brought them along rapidly and they are now as well advanced as at this time last year, with every promise of a good yield. No damage by frost.

Dairy Trade Items.

The creamery at Foxwarren, Man., which has been carried on by the farmers' association, has been purchased by Albert Laycock.

The Montreal Gazette of June 14, says: Cheese did not show much animation. Prices at the wharf were on a fractionally lower basis than prevailed this day week. If a buyer had to fill an order he would certainly have to pay 71-1c to 73-8c for western makes, but if it was a case of a sale it would be different, for 7c to 71-1c is what buyers are bidding. In eastern makes the 3,500 to 4,000 offered at the wharf sold at 61-2 to 65-8c. Butter rules quiet and values steady at 16 1-4 to 16 1-2c. It is understood that local jobbers have been gathering in June creamery at different points in the country and paying full prices therefor.

In the senate at Washington on June 14 a house joint resolution appropriating \$474,151 to pay the Behring Sea award was adopted.

The price of beer will be advanced 2c per barrel by United States brewers as soon as the war tax measure becomes law.

Manitoba

Dr. Macklin, druggist, Roland, is reported to be selling out.

A commodious immigration hall has been erected at Dauphin.

A. Bird, of Manitou, has opened a butcher shop at La Riviere.

The new postoffice building at Portage la Prairie has been completed.

The Bellevue hotel, McDermot street east, Winnipeg, will be taken by J. Murphy.

Mrs. White, of the Langham hotel, Brandon, is selling out. R. H. Shore, of Manitou, will take the house.

The book accounts of the estate of A. G. Hamble, butcher, Winnipeg, will be sold by auction on June 20.

A. Laughlin, general storekeeper, Cartwright, has disposed of his business to James Struthers, of Manitou.

The students of the Winnipeg Business college will hold their annual picnic at Elm park on Friday afternoon, June 17.

The Brandon Machine Works Co., Ltd., is applying for a charter of incorporation. The capital stock is stated to be \$10,000.

Zink Bros., Brandon, have purchased a large quantity of boots and shoes, held by Tees & Perse, on account of the Cloutier estate, Winnipeg.

Auctioneers' licenses in Winnipeg have been fixed by recent civic by-laws at \$50, and auctioneers must keep a register of transactions.

Winnipeg journeymen carpenters and joiners held a meeting the other evening. It was decided to make a demand for 30 cents per hour, after July 1 next.

The business of Ritz & Widmeyer, bankers, insurance, etc., Groun, will be continued by Henry Ritz, in the name of Ritz & Widmeyer as heretofore.

S. K. Colquhoun, general merchant, Hartney, has bought the general store business of Montgomery & Colquhoun, Deloraine, and will close business at the former place.

The boot and shoe stock of Thos. H. Fahey, Winnipeg, amounting to \$12,450, book debts, \$850, and shop fixtures, \$500, will be sold by auction on June 20.

Publication of the Hustler, at Hamiota, Man., has been resumed. The plant of the paper, destroyed by fire two months ago, has been replaced with a new outfit.

Walker & Templeton, hardware merchants, at 237 Portage avenue, Winnipeg, have dissolved. The business will hereafter be carried on under the name of W. A. Templeton.

Mr. McWilliams has disposed of his general store and fruit and confectionery business, at Crystal City, to R. Parker, of Manitou, who will sell his Manitou property, and move to Crystal City.

Stuart & Harper, machinery brokers and dealers, Winnipeg, have been awarded the contract for supplying and installing a 150 light electric lighting plant in the packing house of J. Y. Griffin & Co., Winnipeg.

A new weekly newspaper, the Crystal City Courier, published by R. H. Spedding, formerly editor of the Manitou Mercury, has made its appearance. The first number presents a neat appearance and is quite newsy.

One of the attractions at the Winnipeg Industrial exhibition next month will be four head of real live buffalo,

the remnant of Lord Strathcona's herd, which has been raised at Silver Heights, near Winnipeg. The balance of the herd was shipped last week to the Canadian National Park in the Rocky Mountains.

The Canadian Pacific Railway has contracted to carry 8,000 barrels of salt from Port Arthur to West Selkirk. This salt will be used in the Lake Winnipeg fisheries. The quantity of salt now consumed in the country will be great enough to make it profitable to operate some of our native salt deposits.

The license commissioners for district No. 2 have refused the applications of J. A. Waite, Ochre River, John Seaford, Winnipegosis; and W. J. Stevenson, Dauphin, for hotel licenses. They have also refused to grant a wholesale liquor license to F. W. Wahn, of Dauphin. The license of the Grand View hotel, Dauphin, held by Thos. McLean has been transferred to Stewart J. Shiel. The commissioners for district No. 1 have granted a license to Mrs. Sarah White, for the Langham hotel, Brandon.

Alberta.

Tom Doid, of Calgary, will open a harness shop at Innisfail.

J. H. O'Neil has opened a grocery store and restaurant at South Edmonton.

Ralph Hulbert, J. H. McNulty and George Thompson have formed partnership in the livery and feed stable business at South Edmonton.

The by-law to grant a bonus of \$25,000 to the Canadian Pacific Railway company to establish repair shops at Calgary was carried.

The Territorial government have an engineer and a good gang of men opening up a wagon road from Edmonton to the north end of Lesser Slave Lake, and it will be completed about June 20th. This will make connection with an old wagon road from the lake to Duvegan, a distance from Edmonton of about 450 miles. There is a pack trail from Duvegan to St. John's and on to the Finlay, Omineca and Cassiar districts. Secy. Tins, of the Edmonton board of trade says: One railroad to the Klondike east of the Rockies, would benefit the trade of the Dominion more than five built from different points on the Pacific coast, as the easier the connection is made from the coast, so much the better for the coast farmer and manufacturer of the United States.

Northwest Ontario.

The Foley mine has been closed down pending the transfer to new proprietors.

The machine shop of Burley & Galloway, at Portage, was burned on June 14. Insured for \$6,000. Loss considerably greater.

There is every appearance that the output of gold, nickel, copper, iron ore and pig iron in the province of Ontario will be from two to three times as great as that of 1897.

The McDougall block, Fort William, was burned on June 15. It was occupied by Mrs. Spooner as a men's furnishing store, and Lyons & Co., fruiterers, and the second story as dwellings and a lodge room. None of the contents were saved. Some of the occupants were injured.

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Table listing imported goods like Fresh Herring, Kipper Herrings, and various sauces.

Table listing Canned Meats including Corn Beef, Lunch Tongue, Brawn, and Pigs Feet.

Table listing Potted Ham and Devilled Ham.

Table listing Coffee, specifically Green Rio.

Table listing Cereals such as Split Peas, Pot Barley, Pearl Barley, and Rolled Oats.

Table listing Rice and Tapioca.

Table listing Cigarettes like Old Judge, Athlete, and Sweet Caporal.

Table listing Cured Fish including Codfish and Herrings.

Table listing Dried Fruits such as Currants, Dates, and Raisins.

Table listing Dried Fruits like Raisins, Loose Muscatels, and London Layers.

Table listing California Evaporated Fruits including Peaches, Pears, Apricots, and Plums.

Table listing Matches and Telegraph/Telephone services.

Table listing Nuts such as Brazil, Taragona Almonds, and Peanuts.

Table listing Syrup including Extra Bright, Medium, and Maple.

Table listing Sugar like Extra Standard Granulated and German Granulated.

Table listing Salt including Rock Salt and Dairy white duck sack.

Table listing Spices such as Assorted Herbs and Allspice.

Table listing various Spices including Cassia, Cloves, and Pepper.

Table listing Teas like China Blacks and Indian and Ceylon.

Table listing Young Hysons and Japan teas.

Table listing Tobacco products including T. & B. 3s, 4s, and 9s Cads.

Table listing Wooden Ware such as Pails, Tubs, and Butter Tubs.

CURED MEATS AND LARD

Table listing Lard products like pure lard and Compound lard.

Table listing Smoked Meats including Hams and Breakfast bacon.

Table listing Dry Salt Meats like Long clear bacon and Shoulders.

Table listing Barrel Pork including Heavy mess and Short cut.

Table listing Meat Sundries such as Fresh pork sausage and Bologna sausage.

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Table listing various fish and oysters including Whitefish, Trout, and Lake Superior Herrings.

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Large table listing various drugs and chemicals like Alum, Alcohol, Bleaching Powder, and Epsom Salts.

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THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, June 18.

The recent fine rains have greatly improved the crop outlook and caused a very hopeful feeling. The large increase in the crop area of all the important crops, as shown by the official bulletin issued this week, is very gratifying. It means that with an average yield, Manitoba will have a larger surplus for export next fall than ever before. The reports from jobbers continue favorable. The volume of business keeps good. This is the close season of the year regarding collections, but there is a fair amount of cash business doing. New settlers, particularly from the states to the south, are arriving all the time, and the improved demand for farm lands is still apparent. Bank clearings at Winnipeg this week were \$1,799,672, compared with \$1,356,969 a year ago and \$955,903 for the corresponding week two years ago. The grain trade is practically wound up here until another crop comes to market.

WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, June 18

GROCERIES.

The local market is steady as regards prices, and business fairly active. The reduction made by eastern refiners last week in yellow sugars, as reported in our telegraphic dispatches of last Saturday, was not expected here, in view of the strong tone of the raw sugar markets and the strength at New York. However, the big fruit season demand for sugars will soon start in, and a firm market may be looked for. The tea market is firm.

GREEN FRUITS.

There has been a sharp advance in bananas at the points of supply south, amounting to as much as 20 per cent, and even at the advance it is very difficult to get them, as supplies are very scarce. Some have been arriving here this week. Oregon strawberries are about out of the market, and the strawberry season is drawing to a close. Minnesota is the only remaining source of supply, and the quantity received from this source has always been limited. Oregon cherries are arriving. California cherries are about done. The apple season is practically over. Orders from the country could hardly be filled. Seedling oranges are scarce, about out of the market. Other oranges unchanged. Some small pineapples have been offered. Tomatoes are now offering more freely and are lower. Apricots 25c lower again. The first California plums and peaches have begun to arrive, but the fruit is somewhat insipid yet, as early arrivals usually are. Prices are. Oranges: California Mediterranean sweets, \$3.75 to \$4 a box; seedling oranges, \$2.75 to \$3; St. Michael oranges, \$3.75 to \$4; Malta blood oranges, \$4 to \$4.50 a box; bananas a bunch, \$2.00 to \$2.75 as to size; Messina lemons, \$3.75 to \$4.25 per box, as to quality; pineapples, \$3 to \$3.50 per

dozen, as to size and quality; pie plant \$1.50 box; strawberries, \$3.75 per case of twenty-four quarts; tomatoes \$2 per crate of four baskets; Oregon cherries, \$1.75 per ten pound gross box; apricots, \$2.00 to \$2.25 per box; California peaches, \$1.75 per box; California plums, \$2.25 box; coconuts, \$1 per dozen; Selly Silberts, large 11c to 12c per lb; Grenoble walnuts, 14c; figs, elemes, 10 lb boxes, \$1.25 to \$1.40, as to quality; 50 lb boxes, 17c per lb; dates, 6 1-2 to 7c per lb; Tarragona almonds, 12 1-2 to 13c; peanuts, green, 9c; peanuts, roasted, 12c; pecans, 14 to 15c; strained honey, 7 1-2 to 10c per lb; maple sugar 11 to 12c; syrup per dozen 1-2 gallon tins, \$7; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels; Egyptian onions 3 3-1c to 4c per lb.

HARDWARE AND PAINTS.

There is still no end to the boom in rope. Another 1c has been added to quotations this week, making the price here 13c for sisal and 14 1-2c for manilla. This is the only change in the market this week. Linseed oil has been very firm and there was some expectation of an advance, but prices remain the same as last quoted. There is a good demand for plate glass for later delivery, which is an indication of the greater amount of building going on this season, both in the city and country. See quotations on another page. Business is good.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—The feature of the wheat market this week was the final collapse of the Leiter "deal" on Monday. When it became evident that Leiter had lost control of the situation, the market went to pieces, and prices for cash and July wheat declined enormously. There was a slump of 17c in cash wheat at Minneapolis, 10c at Duluth and 10c at Chicago, though the close for the day was not at the lowest point. Distant futures, which have been selling far below cash and July, made only a comparatively moderate decline. Now that more legitimate conditions are ruling the market, it remains to be seen whether the much talked of scarcity of wheat will keep the cash article at its present level above September, until receipts of new wheat began to pile up again. There are many who contend that the present premium on cash wheat as compared with September option, is fully warranted by the statistical situation, and that this cash wheat will all be wanted at present prices. From this time forward for the next two or three months, crop condition will rule the market largely. An enormous crop is talked of for the United States, but the spring wheat crop is susceptible to many vicissitudes before it is harvested. The winter wheat crop is almost assured beyond peradventure. The big crop prospect of course keeps down new crop futures.

In the local market a very small business has been done since last Saturday. On Saturday last, after a few small sales in the forenoon at about \$1.11, some round lots aggregating perhaps 50,000 bushels, were sold, mostly to exporters, at \$1.03, with sellers of more at that price, but no further demand. On Monday when the outside market went to pieces, owing to the Leiter failure, dealers in Manitoba wheat in this market have been puzzled to know what the actual value of Manitoba

wheat is. There has been no demand, and at the same time no pressure to sell on the part of those who still have round lots of wheat left. The principal business done has been the selling of odd cars to parties who had made short sales and were anxious to get No. 1 hard on spot Fort William to cover these sales. For these all prices have been paid from 98c to \$1.05 per bushel afloat Fort William, but the amount of business involved has been very limited. Unless we require the balance of the wheat still held in the country for domestic consumption, prices must be ruled by export value, which to-day is not over 90 to 92c per bushel, Fort William for No. 1 hard. Of course there is but a very limited quantity of wheat available to dispose of, as what remains in the country is mostly held by millers for grinding.

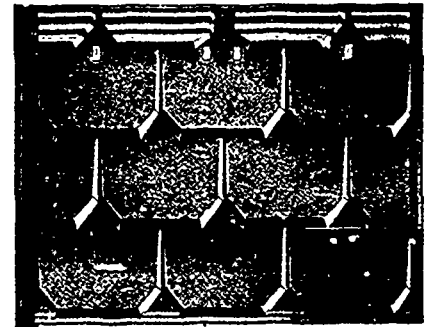
The wheat returns from the Fort William elevators for last week are as follows: Receipts, 161,069; shipments, 21,518; in store, 525,902 bushels.

FLOUR—The demoralization in wheat has caused a weak feeling in flour and prices are 60c per barrel lower than our quotations last week, making a decline of \$1.10 per barrel in two weeks. The week opened with prices 20c lower, and a further drop of 40c per barrel was made on Tuesday. Millers have received very little advantage from the recent "boom" in wheat. While on the one hand they purchased considerable dear wheat, they were not able to sell much flour at the advance. Some export business was worked at fairly good prices, but the domestic trade was shut off by the advance. Buyers preferred to hold off and ran down their stocks closely rather than buy at the advance, while those who had orders placed before the advance secured supplies at former prices. It is reported that some millers have sold considerable wheat recently, and anything they sold before the recent heavy decline in wheat would cer-

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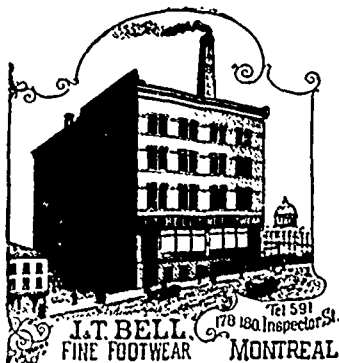
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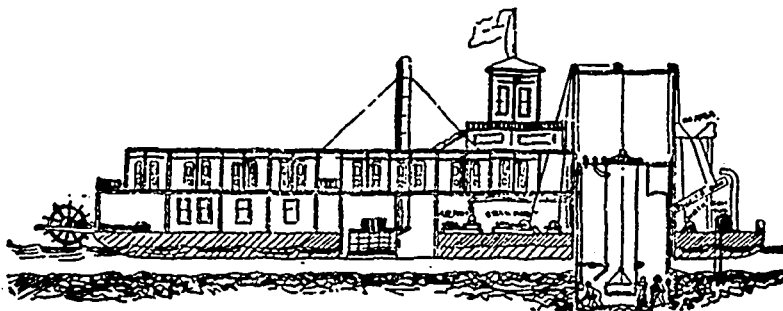
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MILLFEED—The demand is good and prices are steady. We quote bran at \$12, and shorts \$14 per ton in bulk large lots \$1 per ton less.

GROUND FEED—Ground feed is quoted at \$27 to \$30 per ton as to quality. Ground corn is held at \$19 to \$20 per ton.

OATMEAL—The market is unchanged. We quote rolled \$2.20 to \$2.25 per sack.

CORN—Corn would cost laid down about 4½c per bushel of 56 pounds, for cars on track Winnipeg, freight paid.

BARLEY—Nominal at 45 to 50c per bushel of 48 lbs.

OATS—Held about the same as last week, at 47 to 48c for cars here.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is easier. Considerable butter has been purchased this week at about 16 1-2c. Offerings are fairly liberal now, and with the recent fine rains, which will improve the grass, a large increase in the make is expected. We hear some talk about creameries contracting their make, but we do not know that any actual contracts have been made, as buyers regard the outlook as likely to bring lower prices.

BUTTER—Dairy—Receipts are liberal, and the feeling is easy. Shipping demand is quiet. The city retail grocers are getting all the butter they want from farmers in trade for store goods, at about 15c per lb, and they will pay 1 to 2c more to the farmer in trade than they will pay cash to the commission dealers. About 14c is therefore as high as any butter can be sold for, for cash, to the city trade, and we quote 14 to 15 for choice fancy fresh dairy. Very little can be worked, however, at above 14c.

CHEESE—Considerable cheese has been offering, but much of it has been too green. Those who have been through the country visiting the factories, say that the average quality of cheese shows a great improvement over a year or two ago. The early lots that have been offered here represent the poorest quality. We quote 7 1-2c to factories.

EGGS—The firmness in eggs has been maintained, and an advance of 1-2c was made early in the week, making the price here 11 1-2c net, less freight. No commission.

DRESSED MEATS—The market holds firm for beef and mutton. Dressed hogs easier. We quote dressed hogs at 7 1-4 to 7 1-2c. Beef is quoted 7 to 7 1-2c. Mutton 8c to 10c as to quality. Veal 7 to 8 1-2c as to quality. Lambs \$2.50 to \$4 each.

DRESSED POULTRY—Good chickens will bring 60c to 70c per pair live, spring chickens 25c to 30c per pair; turkeys 10c per lb. live weight or 15c dressed.

CURED MEATS AND LARD—See quotations on another page.

VEGETABLES—Prices are: Potatoes, 35 to 40c per bushel; onions, imported Egyptian, 33-4 to 4c per lb; cabbage, 2c per lb; now cabbage, 4c per lb; turnips, 20c to 25c per bushel; Green stuffs is offering at 15c for onions, lettuce and radishes, per dozen bunches; rhubarb, 12 1-2 cents per dozen bunches; asparagus, 40c per dozen bunches; spinach, 2 to 3c lb.

HIDES—Hides are firm at prices quoted a week ago. The market is somewhat irregular. We quote green hides, No. 1, 7 1-2c; kip, 7 to 7 1-2c; calf 7 to 9c; deacon skins, 15 to 25c each; sheep pelts, 50 to 85c as to size and quantity of wool; horse hides, 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

WOOL—Receipts so far this year have been light. Prices hold about the same, and 9c is the outside paid here for unwashed Manitoba fleeces. We quote 8 1-2 to 9c for good to choice unwashed Manitoba fleeces.

TALLOW—No. 1, 3 1-2c; No. 2, 2 1-2 to 3c.

SENECA ROOT—A few small lots have been offered. Buyers are paying 12 1-2 to 15c.

HAY—Railway contractors have taken some cars, and further importations from the States have been made. We quote \$12 to \$14 per ton for baled hay for car lots. Owing to the high price, recourse will be had to cutting new grass earlier than usual. Some new has already been offered, but it would not be fit for baling, as it would be very likely to heat.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—The market for cattle is about the same. While there are no cattle for shipment, there appears to be a fairly liberal supply for local requirements and it is expected the supply will hold out until grass cattle are fit for the market. Grass cattle are coming on fast, the cool, dry weather having been very favorable for grazing stock. Flies have not been bad, and the grass has better fattening properties than in wet seasons, when it is soft and rank. The recent rains, however, may produce a plentiful supply of mosquitoes, and also render the grass less desirable for fattening purposes, thereby delaying the fattening of cattle. A few partly grass fed animals have been offered, but they were not up to much. Good beef cattle hold steady at about 4 1-4c off cars here, and a little higher has been paid for a few loads of the finest, but nearly everything offering has been good and nothing really good can be had under 4 1-4c off cars here. Some stocker cattle are being shipped west all the time, for which \$20 to \$23 per head is paid in the country for two years old and \$12 to \$14 for yearlings.

SHEEP—Quiet this week. We quote 4 to 4 1-4c off cars here for clipped sheep. Lambs \$2.50 to \$4 each.

HOGS—The weaker feeling noted last week has resulted in a decline of 1-4c, and the market is easy at 5c for the most desirable hogs. We quote choice bacon hogs, weighing 150 to 250 lbs. at 5c per lb.; 250 to 300 lbs., \$4.25 to \$4.75; heavy hogs over 300 lbs. \$3 to \$4, as to quality, live weight.

COWS—Milking cows are in good demand, and good cows will bring \$35 each. Poor cows and small heifers selling at \$18 upward as to quality.

HORSES—There has been a considerable demand for good heavy horses for railway work, and some are being brought in from the United States. Western range horses are also being brought in and are selling here at auction.

At a meeting of the British Columbia Fruit association in New Westminster, \$300 was appropriated in aid of making exhibitions of fruit at the Industrial exhibition in Winnipeg and shows at other points in Manitoba and the Territories.

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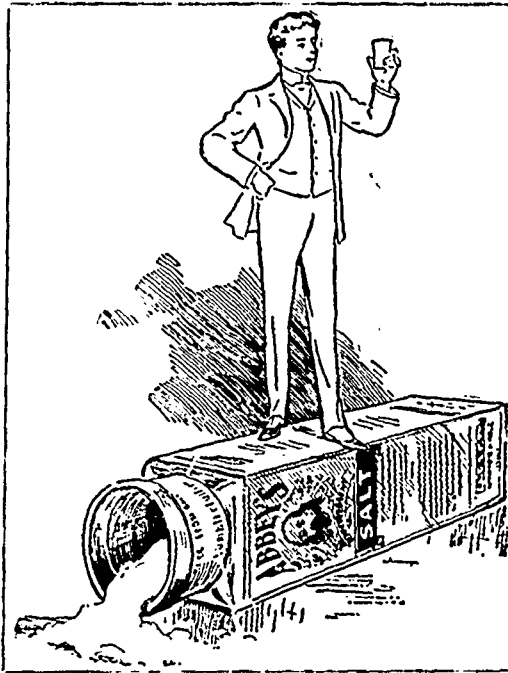
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Vancouver, June 18, 1898.

The flour market is demoralized, as holders have been cutting prices to try and unload. Prices are 50c lower. Hay is \$1 ton lower.

Butter—Ontario creamery, 19½@20½c; local creamery 21@22c; Eastern dairy, 15@16c; local dairy, 17c.

Eggs—Local, 18½@20c; Eastern eggs, 14½c.

Cheese—Manitoba 11@12c. per lb.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½c; breakfast bacon 13c; backs 12½@13c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 11c per lb, in pails and tubs 10½c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; black cod 5c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 5c; herring 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked halibut 10c; kippered cod 9c; sturgeon 6c; smoked salmon 10c; kippered herring 8c; fresh halibut, 6c; spring, salmon, 6c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$8.00 per ton; California onions, 14c; cabbage 2½c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; New Potatoes, \$2.75.

Green Fruits—California lemons 2.25@2.75 box; Navel oranges, 3.75 @ \$4.00; seedling oranges, 1.80@2.25; bananas, bunch \$2.75; California cherries, \$1.00 box; strawberries, \$1.50 @ \$2.00 per crate; apricots, \$1.50.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$3.05; 2 45 pounds sacks \$3.10; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.30; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50 Oatmeal 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.75 per sack.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$6.85; strong bakers \$6.55; Oregon, jobbers price \$6.50.

Grain—Oats, \$30.00 per ton; wheat 28 @ \$30 per ton; barley, 27 @ \$30 per ton.

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$26.00 per ton; ground barley, \$26 ton; shorts \$24 ton; bran \$22; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$16 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 9c; mutton 10c; Australian mutton, 8c; pork 10c; veal 10c; Pemmican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$5.00 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$4.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.50 per 100 lbs; cows, 4.50 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens, \$3.60 dozen; fowl, \$6.00 dozen.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 7½@9c per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9@10c; prunes, French 5@7½c; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6@8½c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnut, 13c lb.

Sugars—Powdered and icing, 6½c; Paris lump, 6½c; granulated, 5½c; extra C. 4½c; fancy yellows 4½c; yellow 4½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tins, \$4.50 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, June 18.

Pig Iron—\$15.50.
Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.45 @ 1.55; hand iron, \$1.85 for Canadian and \$2.00 for imported; hoop iron \$2.

Sheet Steel—12-gauge, \$2.25 per 100 lbs; 16-gauge, \$2.40; 18@20, \$2.30@2.40; 22@24, \$2.30@2.40; 26, \$2.35@2.45; 28, \$2.45@2.55.

Galvanized Iron—16-gauge, 3½c; 18@24, \$3.87½c; 26, 4½c and 28 at ½c.

Lead—Pig, 4½@4½c; sheet, 4½@4½c per lb; shot, can., dis. 7½ per cent; pipe, dis. 25 per cent.

Black Iron—10@12 gauge, \$2.25@2.40 per 100 lbs; 14@16 gauge, \$2.60@2.70; 18@20 gauge, \$2.30@2.40; 22@24 gauge, \$2.25@2.35; 26-gauge, \$2.30@2.40; 28-gauge, \$2.45@2.55.

Coil chain—½ in., \$4.65; 5-16 in., \$3.75; ¾ in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; 1 in., \$3.10; 1 ¼ in., \$2.80; 1 ½ in., \$2.75.

Zinc—Sheet, 5½c per lb.

Antimony—10½@11c; solder 11½c@12½.

Ingot Copper—12½c@13 per lb.

Ingot Tin—17@17½c.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; do, 60-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.50; all-bright "Garth," \$2.60 per box; do, "Alaska," \$3.00.

Tinplates—Cokes, \$3.00@3.10 for 14x20; do, squares, \$3.15@3.25; \$6.25 for 20x28; charcoal plates, \$3.50@3.60 basis for good brands.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., 1 to ¾ inch, 1.87 to \$2.00; 1 inch, 2.15@2.20; ¾ inch, \$2.62½; 1 inch, \$3.60; 1 ¼ inch, \$4.75; 1 ½ inch, \$6.20; 2 inch, \$8.30. Galvanized, ¾ inch, \$3.80; 1 inch, 4.60 to \$4.80; 1 ¼ inch, 6.40@6.70; 1 ½ inch, 8.25 to \$9.20; 2 inch, 11.25@11.80; 2 inch, 15.20@16.00.

Barb Wire—\$2, terms 30 days or 2 per cent., ten days f.o.b. Toronto.

Fence Wire—Annealed, oiled and annealed, 35 per cent.; galvanized, 30 per cent.; terms 4 months or 3 per cent. 30 days.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.85@1.90 for delivery in Toronto, Montreal and London; terms, four months or 3 per cent off for cash 30 days.

Cut Nails—\$1.80@1.85 base price Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

Horse Nails—Discount on regular brands, 50 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron, light and medium pattern, \$3.25@3.35 per keg, Toronto and Hamilton.

Screws—Flat head bright, 87½c and 10; round head bright, 80 and 10; flat head brass, 82½ and 10; round head brass, 75 and 10 per cent.

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, 1@5-16, 70 per cent; tire bolts, 70 and 5; machine bolts, 60 and 10; blank bolts, 60 per cent; sleigh shoe bolts, 80 per cent; plough bolts, 60; stove bolts, 70 and 5; nuts, square, 4½c; hexagon, 5½c.

Rivets—Iron, 50 per cent, all sizes; copper rivets, 50 and 10.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.45, and in 100-foot boxes, \$2.75; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$4. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

Green Wirecloth—\$1.20 per 100 square feet; terms, 4 months or 3 per cent for 30 days.

Spades and Shovels—Discounts 45 and 2½ per cent.

Harvest Tools—Discounts 60, 10 and 5 per cent.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 11½c; ¾ in., 12½c; 1 and 5-16 in., 12½c; Manila, 7-16 and larger, 13½c; ¾, 13½c; 1 and 5-16, 14½.

Binder Twine—Pure Manila, 6½c@6¾.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, June 18.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4 11-16c; No. 2 granulated, 4 7-16c; granulated, 4 7-16; yellows, 3 13-16 @4½c.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 28c@30c; special bright, 35c@42c. Molasses—West Indian, brls, 32c@45c; New Orleans, 23c@30; for medium and 35c@50c for bright.

Teas—Japan, low grade, 15c@17c per lb; mediums, 18c@24c; fines, 30@35c; Hysons, mediums 16c@19c; Congous, low grades, 10c@15c; mediums, 22c@25c, and fines, 40c@55c; Oolong, 25c@65c; Ceylons, 17@45c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 8@12c; Mocha, 26c@30c; Java, 28c@32c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, 70c @ 75c; peas, 60@65c; sifted peas, 1.05@1.20; corn, 60c; beans, 75@90c; pumpkins, 70@75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.60 @ 1.80; raspberries, 2's, \$1.50@1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.40@1.65; 3's, \$2@2.40. Cohoes Salmon, 95c@1.1; sock-eyes, \$1.17½@1.30; mackerel, \$1.30@1.40; lobsters, halves, \$1 6c@1.70; tall lbs, \$2.40@2.65; flats, \$2.90@3.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk, 4½c@5c; fine, off-stalk, 5½c@5½c; selected, 6@6½c; layers, 6½@7c; Provincial, currants, 6½@6½c; Filiatras, 6½@7c; Patras, 7c@7½c; Vostizzas, 8c@8½c; California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 9½c@14c; pears, 9c@10c; peaches, 10c@14c; prunes, 40's to 50's, 9c@10c; 50's to 60's, 7½c@8½c; 60's to 70's, 8c@8½c; 70's to 80's, 7½c@8c; 80's to 90's, 7c@7½c; 90's to 100's, 6½@7c. Bosnia prunes, 5½@6½c; Sultanas, 9c@13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @15c per lb; citron, 18c@20c; lemon 11c @14c. Hallowee dates, 5c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.30@1.50 per box; black baskets, \$2.00; blue baskets, \$2.25; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters, \$1.25. Figs—Natural in bags, 4@5c; Eleme figs, 10 oz., 7½c, 5, 10 and 12 lb boxes, 10@12c; 6-crown; 12½c; 7-crown, 15c; bags, 4@4½c; 4-lb Glove boxes, 14@15c.

Nuts—Marbots, 10@11c; filberts, Sicily, 9@11c; Grenoble Walnuts, 11@12c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 3½@4c; do Patna, 5½ @6c; do Japan, 6½@7c.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 27c; Cochin, 15@20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15@18c; Ambboy, 18@25c; allspice, 16c; nutmegs, 50c@1; cream tartar, pure, 25@28c, 15 @23c for compound.

PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$17.00 for Canada mess; short cut, \$17@17.50; clear mess, \$15.50

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 5½c, ton and case lots, 8½c. Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 11@11½c; hams, large 10@11c and 11c for medium; picnic hams, 8½@9c; rolls, 9c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 8c; tubs, 8½c; pails, 8½@8½c.

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British Columbia Items.

W. T. Slavin, stationery, Kamloops, has assigned.

J. H. Nelson has started a sawmill at Otter Tail.

Gosnell & Sadler, brewers, Nelson, have dissolved.

A. H. Stevens has opened a harness shop at Kamloops.

J. A. MacIsaac has opened a general store at Quesnelle.

N. LeKeyser, watchmaker, has opened business at Ashcroft.

Alex E. Morrison, is opening a general store at Trout Lake.

W. J. Anderson, tailor and clothing, is opening at Upper Grand Forks.

S. E. Forrest & Co., are opening a general store at Albert Canyon.

Ham & Crawford, general store, New Denver, reported out of business.

A. W. Eickhoff, fish, fruit, etc., has started business at New Westminster.

Geo. D. Scott & Co., clothing and furnishings, Nanaimo, contemplate incorporating.

Miller & Francis, cigars and billiards, Greenwood, are succeeded by W. J. Francis.

R. Benson, fish, fruit, Westminster, has admitted H. Ayling as partner. Style now Benson & Ayling.

Mrs. C. E. Masters, dry goods and clothing, Wellington and Nanaimo, sold out clothing stock at Nanaimo, and continues in dry goods.

H. Somner has accepted the position of manager of the Buckley Bay hotel, Chamton, for G. W. Willis & Co. The business outlook at Chamton is very bright at present.

E. J. Howell, of London, England, is on his way to British Columbia to locate a smelter for an English company. It was first intended to build at Vancouver, but Mr. Howell says this has been reconsidered, and some other location may be selected. This move may be to force a large bonus from Vancouver.

The following items are reported from Victoria: Gilmore & McCandless, clothing, men's furnishings, boots and shoes, etc., are succeeded in boots and shoes by the Victoria Shoe Co., Ltd. Mrs. S. C. Wood, tinware, stoves, etc., has sold out to J. T. Orr. A. B. Erskine, boots and shoes, being succeeded by the Victoria Shoe Co., Ltd. W. H. Smith, groceries, has sold out to Annie Clark.

The following items are reported from Vancouver: R. Palmer, flour and feed, sheriff in possession. S. B. Smith, groceries, succeeded by J. J. Owens. Fairburn & Dunlop, fancy goods, succeeded by Mrs. Fairburn. J. Hill, photographer, started business. Griffin & Co., watchmakers, have opened business. The British Columbia box factory has started business. J. S. Kerr, grocer, has started business. F. H. Cole & Co., clothing, have started business. Stitt & Morgan, tailors, have dissolved. J. Machan, grocer, has started a business. J. Sullivan, record hotel, is succeeded by C. W. Helmer. Miners' & Farmers' Co-operative Supply Co., Ltd., has been incorporated. Canadian Bank of Commerce will open a branch here.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, June 17.—12.30 p.m.—Wheat—Spot dull. No. 2 red western winter 7s 6d; No. 1 red northern spring 7s 10d. Corn—Spot quiet; American mixed new 3s 3 1/4d.

Smelter for British Columbia.

Mr. Edward J. Howell, of London, Eng., a gentleman who is well informed on and in close touch with the money market of Great Britain, in its relation to mining investments in Canada, was a guest at the Hotel Manitoba yesterday. Mr. Howell is the late local director and assistant manager of the Klondike, Yukon and Stewart Pioneers, of London, Eng., a company which has already paid a ten per cent. dividend, but his present visit to Canada is in connection with the erection of a smelter in British Columbia. "We have organized the Vancouver Smelting company, with a capital of \$1,500,000, and I am now on my way out to look over the ground," said Mr. Howell to a representative of the Free Press. "At first we intended erecting our smelter in Vancouver, as we believed that city was situated most advantageously for the carrying on of our operations. But recently the directors have changed their minds, and I intend to examine closely for a suitable location, and to hear any deputations on the subject. A necessary adjunct to a smelter must be plenty of ore within easy distance, and I think there are other places better adapted than Vancouver. The Lonsdale Vancouver offers is a mere bagatelle. The Canadian Pacific has met us very well in the matter of rates; in fact we have been working with that company under the most pleasing conditions."

"Have the smelters already in British Columbia been successful?"

"Well that is another point I shall have to investigate," said Mr. Howell. "There have been four smelters started in that province—at Vancouver, Golden, Revelstoke and Pilot Bay—none of which are now working. Why these circumstances exist is what I shall look into. It costs over \$500,000 to erect and start a smelter with refining house and the building of one is therefore a serious and responsible matter. At least that was the cost we estimated for ours."

"What is the future of British Columbia as you think as viewed by London capitalists?"

"Everything depends on the next mining season. The entire future of the country, I believe, rests on the results from the mining operations this summer. There is a flood of British money waiting to rush into Canada, if good returns are received from the money already invested. The Venezuelan trouble killed the United States to the English and Scotch capitalist as a field for investment. It will be many years before the confident feeling is restored. But British Columbia people should be careful; there have been a great many wild-cat schemes put upon the market recently from that province, which is very injurious to ultimate success."

Among the directors of Mr. Howell's company are three presidents of smelting companies—Mr. John Blair, a manufacturing chemist; Mr. Arch. Fairlie, director of the North China Gold Development company, and Mr. G. Muir Ritchie, director of the Milton and Askam Hermatite Iron company.

Mr. Howell left for Vancouver last evening.

First Tramp—"Say, Willie; ter tink we missed dat free concert last night?"

Second Tramp—"W'y?"

First Tramp—"This 'ore paper says the musk was intoxicatin'."

Assiniboia.

Henderson & Parker, Qu'Appelle, have changed their firm name to "The Qu'Appelle Drug and Stationery Co."

Ferguson & Martin, millinery, Moosomin, are retiring from business.

WESTERN BUSINESS ITEMS.

Mrs. J. Braden, livory, Selkirk, Man., advertises business for sale.

Club Cigar Co., tobaccos, etc., Winnipeg, has sold out to C. B. Graham.

R. Spence, hotel, Winnipeg, is succeeded by James Johnston.

The Lake of the Woods Brewing Co., Ltd., is being formed at Rat Portage to take over the business of A. Kingdon.

Sykes & McCauley have opened a restaurant at Edmonton, Alberta.

Misses Anderson & Martin, of Moosomin, have bought out the millinery business of Miss Barton, of Virden.

J. Gillies, grocer, Selkirk, Man., has sold out to J. Shepard.

Niagara peninsula, Ontario, fruit crop will be plentiful this season. "Plums, peaches and grapes all promise a big yield," says a well known grower, "and as for apples, there will be such quantities that if we get ten cents a bag for them we will be lucky."

The Canada Northwest Land company's May land sales were 15,315 acres for \$82,502, as compared with 3,327 acres in May last year, for \$19,227. From the first of January to May 31st this year sales were 29,260 acres for \$156,065, as against 12,751 acres for \$69,855 for the corresponding period of last year.

Tea has advanced 1c to 2c in the United States, owing to a duty of 10c per lb. having gone into effect. This is a part of the war tax measure.

The San Francisco Trade Journal says of canned salmon: "We hear of round lots of Columbia River chinook having been sold at \$1.00 for talls, netting to the seller something like 97 1-2c at shipping point. How the packer expects to come out even 1c beyond our ken, for our advices are to the effect that 4c is paid for the raw fish. At this figure \$1.15 should be realized for talls so as to net a fair profit. The output so far is said to be considerably below; that at the corresponding time in 1897.

The Montreal Gazette of Monday last says. The feature of the market has been the active demand from foreign buyers for Manitoba No. 1 hard wheat, and as the prices bid for the same were somewhat of an inducement to Manitoba millers, considerable business has been done, one concern alone having made sales aggregating 235,000 bushels. This amount coupled with other large sales during the past week would probably make the total sales close up to 400,000 bushels.

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New York Wheat.

New York, June 13.—Wheat: Receipts 321,900 bushels; exports 449,448 bushels. Options were weak and demoralized nearly all day because of bearish cables and foreign statistics, heavy northwest markets affecting the financial position of prominent Chicago bull traders. Prices finally rallied on a big local export business and closed firm at 13-4 to 93-4 net decline latter July. July 813-8 to 90, closed 83; August 76 5-8 to 76 5-8; Sept. 74 1-8 to 77, closed 75 7-8; Dec. 73 1-4 to 75 1-2, closed 75.

New York, June 14.—Wheat—Receipts 282,285 bushels; exports 355,565 bushels. Options opened firmer on foreign buying and better Liverpool cables than expected. Reaction followed under realizing, but fairly steadiness obtained all day, on adverse crop news, confidence over disappearance of clique control, and on export rumors. Closed steady at 1-4c advance on July; 1-8c decline on Sept. and 5-8c rise on December, latter getting good support; July 82 3-4c to 87, closed 83 1-4c; Sept. 71 7-8 to 76 3-4c, closed 75 3-4c; Dec. 74 7-8 to 76 1-8c, closed 75 5-8c.

New York, June 15.—Wheat—Receipts 165,575 bushels; exports 273,441 bushels. Spot strong. No. 2 red, 95 to 98. Options were general. The buying motives included steadier foreign markets, a good export, and milling demand, the jump in corn, and unfavorable crop news; closed 13-4 to 23-4 net higher. July 81 1-8 to 86c, closed 86c; Sept. 75 1-2 to 77 1-8, closed 77c; Dec. 75 1-2 to 77 3-8c, closed 77 1-2.

New York, June 16.—Wheat—Receipts 193,132 bushels, exports 166,662 bushels. Options opened strong and higher on cables, but with the Liverpool reaction turned very weak, continuing so all day. Prospective weather improvement, liquidation and renewed apprehension over distribution of big cash stocks west contributed to the day's heaviness; closed 1-4c to 11-4c net decline. July 85 1-2 to 89, closed 85 3-4; Sept. 75 9-16 to 78 3-8, closed 75 3-4; Dec. 76 3-8 to 87 3-4, closed 76 1-2.

New York, June 17.—Wheat—Receipts 184,075 bushels, exports 445,602 bushels. Options experienced another weak day and closed about the lowest at 11-2 to 1c net decline, the latter on July. Bears were vigorous short sellers on cables, improved crop advices and bearish Modern Miller reports. July 81 to 85, closed 81 3-4; Sept. 73 1-8 to 75 1-4, closed 73 1-4; Dec. 73 15-16 to 76 1-4, closed 74.

On Saturday, June 18, No. 2 red wheat closed at 79 7-8c for July option, 73 3-8c for September and 73 3-4c for December. A week ago July wheat closed at 92 3-4c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

Prices are quoted per bushel of 60 pounds for wheat, bushel of 56 pounds of corn, bushel of 32 pounds of oats, per barrel for mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

July wheat at Chicago closed at 79 cents against 86 cents finish on Saturday. One time to-day July went down to 75 cents. September closed at 71, loss of 3 cents compared with Saturday. During the day September went as low as 69 1-4.

The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—June 85; July 79; Sept. 70 7-8 to 71; Dec. 71.

Corn—July 23 3-4; Sept. 33.
Oats—July 23 3-4; Sept. 21 3-4
Pork—July \$9.60; Sept. \$9.80.
Lard—July \$5.77 1-2; Sept. \$5.87 1-2
Ribs—July \$5.10; Sept. \$5.50.

Chicago, June 14.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—June, 85; July, 77 1-2; Sept., 70 5-8 to 3-4; Dec., 70 7-8.
Corn—June, 31 7-8; July 32 3-8; Sept. 33 1-8.
Oats—July, 23 3-4; Sept., 21 1-3.
Mess Pork—July, \$9.42 1-2; Sept., \$9.60.
Lard—July, \$5.72 1-2; Sept., \$5.82 1-2.
Short Ribs—July, \$5.37 1-2; Sept., \$5.47 1-2.

Chicago, June 15.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—June 88c; July 79 3-4c, Sept. 72 1-4c; Dec. 72 3-4c.
Corn—June 33 1-2c; July 34c; Sept. 34 3-4c.
Oats—July 25c; Sept. 22 1-8c.
Pork—July \$8.95; Sept. \$10.02 1-2.
Lard—July \$5.85; Sept. \$5.97 1-2.
Ribs—July \$5.55; Sept. \$5.65.

Chicago, June 16.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—June 86, July 79 to 1-4, Sept. 70 5-8 to 3-4, Dec. 71 3-4.
Corn—June 32 7-8, July 33 3-8, S. pt. 3-4.
Oats—July 24 1-2, Sept. 21 1-2.
Pork—July \$9.72 1-2, Sept. \$9.80.
Lard—July \$5.82 1-2, Sept. \$5.92 1-2
Ribs—July \$5.50, Sept. \$5.60.

Chicago, June 17.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—June 80, July 75 1-2, Sept. 68 1-8, Dec. 69 1-8.
Corn—June 31 1-2, July 31 7-8 to 32, Sept. 32 3-4.
Oats—July 23 7-8, Sept. 20 5-8.
Pork—July \$9.60, Sept. \$9.75.
Lard—July \$5.75, Sept. \$5.85.
Ribs—July \$5.45, Sept. \$5.52 1-2.

On Saturday, June 18, July wheat opened at 74 1-2c, and ranged down to 72 1-4c. Closing prices were:
Wheat—June 80c, July 72 1-4c, Sept. 67c, Dec. 68c.
Corn—June 31 7-8c, July 32 1-4c.
Oats—June 24 3-8c, July 23 7-8c.
Pork—July \$9.55, Sept. \$9.72 1-2c.
Lard—July \$5.72 1-2, Sept. \$5.82 1-2.
Ribs—July \$5.45, Sept. \$5.52 1-2.

A week ago July option closed at 88 1-2. A year ago July wheat closed at 68 5-8c, two years ago at 57 5-8c, three years ago at 69 3-4c, and four years ago at 59 3-4c.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

Wheat closes weak, irregular and nominal at 95 to 98c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

On Saturday, June 18, No. 1 northern wheat closed at 83c for July, and 67 1-4c for September. A week ago July wheat closed at \$1.13 1-2.

Mr. Mullins sold this week 54 head of cattle off his Binscarth farm to Kolbold & Co., Winnipeg, at 41-4c off ears here. These cattle have been on grass for three weeks, and were prime, but they were good when they went out.

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, June 18.

Dry goods—Very active. Values firm. Fall business expanding and fewer renewals of paper now maturing than for many years. United States bleached cottons are offering at slaughter prices, and lower than Canadian mills have been quoting.

Groceries—Trade more active, except for refined sugars, which are 1-16c lower, and sales are disappointing. New canned vegetables are offering. Tomatoes 70 to 75c. Corn, 60c. Peas, 60 to 65c. Low grade teas stronger, owing to exports of two thousand packages to the United States.

Hardware—Business is keeping up well. Discounts on rivets and burrs have again been reduced. The discount is now 50 per cent. Rope is again dearer, sisal 3-8c and manilla 5-8c higher. Sheet zinc and spelter 1-4c dearer; ingot tin, 1-2c higher.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—July, 90 1-2c; Sept., 72 5-8c.
Tuesday—July, 90c; Sept., 72 3-8c.
Wednesday—July, 91 1-2c; Sept., 74 1-8c.
Thursday—July, 90c, Sept., 72 5-8c.
Friday—Cash, 84c; July, 84c; Sept., 70c.

Saturday—Cash, 82 1-2c; Sept., 68 3-8c.
Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 85c, and cash No. 1 northern at 82 1-2c.

Last week cash wheat closed at \$1.12. A year ago July option closed at 72 1-4c, and two years ago at 57 1-4c, three years ago at 72c, four years ago at 63c, and five years ago at 61 1-4c.

CHEESE MARKETS.

Belleville, Ont., June 14.—Offerings 1,255 white and 135 colored cheese. Sales at 71-8c.

Ingersoll, Ont., June 14.—Offerings to-day 994 boxes June make; no sales; 67-8c bid.

MANITOBA CROP REPORT.

The first official crop bulletin was issued this week, and it shows a gratifying increase in the crop area. The area of the principal crops, compared with last year, shows as follows:

	1897.	1898.
Area under—	Acres.	Acres.
Wheat	1,290,882	1,488,232
Oats	468,141	514,824
Barley	153,266	158,058
Flax	20,653	14,561
Potatoes	13,576	19,791
Roots	6,130	8,448
Total	1,958,025	2,210,942

The bulletin reports that farmers are giving more attention to the planting of trees.

NEW YORK MONEY.

New York, June 17.—Money on call nominally 11-4 to 11-2 per cent.; prime mercantile paper 3 to 4 per cent.; sterling exchange firm at \$4.85 1-2 to 3-4 for demand, and \$4.84 to 1-4 for sixty days; posted rates \$4.85 to 1-2, and \$4.86 1-2 to \$4.87; commercial bills \$4.82 1-2 to \$4.83; silver certificates, 5,000 ounces sold at 58; bar silver 57 3-4; Mexican dollars 45 1-4; government bonds heavy.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.
 Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, June 18.

Turpentine is 1c to 2c lower. Rope is again higher and is very firm at the advance. Hardware and metals steady. Paints and oils active. Paris green is very firm, under light stocks. White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c; red lead in kegs, 4 3-4c; linseed oil, raw, 49c; boiled, 52c; turpentine, 44 to 45c; bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50; tin plates, cokes, \$2.75 to \$2.90. I. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.75. Canada plates, \$2.10 to \$2.15; tern plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25; galvanized iron, 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c; lead \$3.75 to \$4. Iron pipe, \$3.90 to \$4; putty in bulk, \$1.65; in bladders, \$1.80; ingot tin, 16 1-2 to 17 1-2. Cement, English brands, \$2.25 to \$2.35. Germany, \$2.30 to \$2.45, and Belgium, \$1.80 to \$2 per barrel, ex-wharf. Rope, sisal, 11 1-2 to 12c; manilla, 12 3-4 to 13 1-4c.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Montreal, June 18.

Special to The Commercial.

Owing to large sales for shipment to the United States the local tea market is much stronger. Sugars are 1-16c lower all around. Syrups and molasses steady and unchanged. Corn, peas and tomatoe sare selling at a wider range, being 5c higher on the outside price.

Quotations are: Granulated sugar, standard, 47-16c at the refineries; Canadian-German granulated 4 1-4c; yellows, 3 1-2c to 1c; molasses 30 to 31; syrups, 2 to 2 1-2 as to quality. Valencia raisins from 4 3-4 to 5 1-2c; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 10 to 11c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-4c, B., 3 3-4c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.15 to \$1.20; corn, 80 to 90c; peas, 80 to 90c.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, June 18.

Oats sold as low as 33c in store, and 33 1-2c afloat, a decline of 1c compared with a week ago, but latest sales show 1-2c recovery. Flour is dull, unsettled and 40 to 60c lower. Millfeed 50c lower. Butter is firmer and there is a better local demand. Cheese has been active and firmer at country markets, but is quiet on spot, though quoted 1-4c higher than a week ago. British markets lower at latest advices. Selection strict. Oatmeal easier.

Oats—3 1-2c per bushel for No. 2 white in store and 3 1-4c afloat.

Flour—Manitoba strong bakers, \$5.50 to \$6; Manitoba patents, \$6 to \$6.20.

Millfeed—Bran, \$13 to \$13.50 per ton; shorts, \$15 to \$15.50, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$2 to \$2.05 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 11c; country hides, 10c; calfskins, 10c; sheepskins, \$1; tallow, 3 to 3 1-4c.

Eggs—Fresh, 9 to 9 1-2c; selected lots, 10 to 10 1-2c per dozen.

Butter—Choice dairy 14 to 15c.

Butter—Creamery, 16 to 16 3-4c for choice to fancy fresh goods.

Cheese—7 1-4 to 7 3-8c for Ontario and 6 1-2 to 6 7-8 for Quebec goods. Maple syrup—Barrels, 4 3-4 to 5c lb.; tins, 45 to 50c; in wood, 4 1-2 to 5c

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, June 14.

Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 400 cattle, 100 sheep and lambs, 250 calves at the Grand Trunk yards 250 cattle, No hogs. The exports from the opening of navigation to date have been 20,757 cattle, 1,313 sheep and 2,250 horses.

The market for cattle was quieter, but prices were firm for choice cattle. A few common were left over unsold. Choice cattle brought 4 1-2c to 4 3-4c; good, 4c to 4 1-4c, fair, 3 1-4c to 3 3-4c; common, 2 1-2c to 3c. Sheep slow at 3 1-4c to 3 1-2c. Lambs were scarce and dearer at \$2.50 to \$4 each. Hogs nominal at \$5 to \$5.10 per 100 lbs.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, June 17.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday the market was firm. Offerings yesterday 550 cattle, 300 calves, 450 sheep and lambs.

The demand for cattle was active, choice cattle sold at 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c, and fair to good at 3 1-4 to 4 1-4. Export sheep, 3 1-4 to 3 1-2c. Lambs \$2.50 to \$4 each. Latest cables report a better feeling in British markets for sheep.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, June 18.

The grain trade is very dull and scarcely any export business doing. Millers are buying wheat only to supply actual requirements. Ontario red winter sold yesterday at 80c, a decline of 12c within a week. No. 1 hard were offered at 95c afloat yesterday. Flour 50c lower. Shorts \$1 lower. Bran 50c lower. Eggs 1c higher. Butter steady. Wool easier. Lower prices are being paid in the country, as most of the small mills are now stocked up.

Flour—Manitoba patent, \$6.00; bakers, \$5.60. Ontario straight roller, \$4.15.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat, 80c for cars at country points, No. 1 hard offered, 95c Fort William.

Oats—White, 28c for cars at country points.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$12 to \$13 per ton at country points. Bran, \$9.50.

Oatmeal—\$4.30 per barrel for cars and \$4.20 in bags.

Eggs—11c.

Butter—Dairy—Tubs, 12 1-2 to 13 1-2c for choice fresh goods; creamery tubs, 16c; creamery, bricks, 17c.

Hides—No. 1 green, 8 1-2c; cured, 9 to 9 1-4 sheepskins, \$1 to \$1.40 for fresh killed calfskins, 9 to 10c.

Beans—90c to \$1 per bushel.

Wool—New washed 16c, unwashed 10 to 11c.

Dressed hogs—\$6.40 per 100 lbs. 100 lbs.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, June 14.

Receipts of live stock of all kinds at the semi-weekly market to-day were 55 carloads, including 2,300 hogs and 200 sheep and lambs. Balance cattle.

Export Cattle—Were firmer. Choice sold at \$4.40 to \$4.60 per 100 lbs. Some were sent through to Halifax to ship to Barbados.

Butchers' cattle—Demand good at an advance of about 30c per cwt. Loads of goods sold at \$4.10 to \$4.20

and extra at \$4.30. Mixed butchers and shippers sold at \$4.30 to \$4.35. Medium to good brought \$3.80 to \$4, and inferior, including rough cows and bulls, \$3.35 to \$3.50.

Stockers and Feeders—Prices were about 5c per cwt. lower at \$3.60 to \$3.80. Good half-fed feeders, \$3.90 to \$1.25.

Sheep and Lambs—Butchers' sheep sold at \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt, export at \$3.30. Spring lambs \$3.50 to \$1.50 each; yearling sheep, \$4.50 to \$5.50 per cwt.

Hogs—The market was steady but there is a feeling that the prices will go lower. Choice bacon at \$5.15 to \$5.20 per cwt, weighed off the cars; light and heavy, \$4.75; sows, 3c to 3 1-4c, and stags 2c to 2 1-4c.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, June 17.

Receipts to-day were 70 carloads including 2,500 hogs. The cattle market was firm. There was a good shipping demand and export cattle were 5 to 10c higher at \$4.40 to \$4.70 per 100 lbs. There was some buying for shipment to the United States. The market for butchers' cattle was very strong and 25 to 30c higher, choicest selling at 4 1-2c per lb., and a few picked a shade higher, and good cattle at 4 1-4c. Bulls were higher at 3 1-2 to 4c for export. Stockers firmer. Sheep 1-4c higher all around at 3 1-4 to 3 1-2c for butchers, and 5 to 10c more for export. Hogs firm at \$5.20 per 100 lbs. for choice.

MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.

Compared with a week ago flour is \$1 per barrel lower, shorts 50c higher, bran 25c lower, corn 3-4c higher, oats 1-4c higher, flax seed 5c lower, creamery butter 1-2 to 1c higher, hay \$1.50 per ton lower.

Flour—Prices in barrels. First patents, \$5 to \$5.20; second patents, \$4.85 to \$5.05.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$9.50 to \$9.75; bran in bulk, \$8.75 to \$9; corn feed, \$13.25 to \$14.50 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 3 1-4c for No. 2. Oats—Oats held at 26 1-4c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Feed quoted at 27c.

Flax seed—\$1.07 1-2 per bushel.

Eggs—8 1-2c for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 5 1-2 to 6c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 7 to 9c; fair to good, 5 to 6c.

Butter—Creamery, 14 1-2 to 16c; seconds, 12 1-2 to 13c; dairy, 12 to 13 1-2 for choice to fancy.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 4c to 7c; lambs, 5 to 8 1-2c.

Potatoes—Car lots mixed, 25 to 30c; named varieties, 30 to 50c.

Poultry—Chicken, 4 to 7 1-2c; turkey 6c; ducks, 6c; geese, 5c; all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides, 9 1-4 for No. 1; 8 1-4 to 8 1-2c for No. 2; gulls, oxen and brands, 7 to 8 1-4c; sheepskins, 40 to 80c each; veal calf, 8 1-2 to 9 1-2c; tallow, 2 1-4c to 3 1-4c; sassa root, 19 to 21c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 10 to 11c; medium, 12 to 13c; coarse, 14 to 15c.

Hay—\$5 to \$8.50 per ton including timothy.

Cattle—Sales—20 cows av 1,108, \$1.95; 6, av 975, \$3.70; 3 stockers, av 330, \$1.65; 18, av 660, \$4.20, 23 steers, av 1,193, \$1.75; 6, av 1,125, \$1.50. 6 heifers, av 225, \$4; 5 av 390, \$3.50. 2 bulls av 730, \$3.25; 2 calves, av 160, \$5.50.

Hogs—74 hogs, average 323, \$3.82 1-2; 15 hogs, av 105, \$3.10; 33, av 207, \$3.75.