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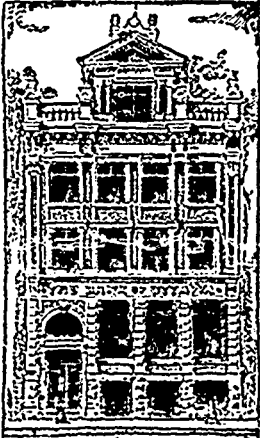
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WINNIPEG, JULY 2, 1898.

The Winnipeg Industrial.

The rapid development of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition is a striking illustration of western progress and enterprise. Since its inauguration in 1891 every year has witnessed an increased interest until now the Winnipeg Exhibition has become the chief annual festival of the great west and may be said to have a continental reputation. Its growth has exceeded all anticipations and the mere statement that the attendance increased from 8,000 in 1891 to the magnificent figure of 60,000 in 1897 will give a clear idea of the position of importance it has reached in a comparatively short period.

This year arrangements have been made on a more extensive and elaborate scale than ever before, and the directors promise that the fair of 1898, which opens July 11 and continues to July 16, will in every respect excel its predecessors. The Directors have decided to offer \$15,000 in cash prizes to exhibitors, while in addition there will be awarded a large number of handsome special prizes in the shape of medals, cups, trophies, etc.

Extensive improvements have been made to the grounds and buildings, the various structures having been enlarged to meet the growing requirements, and all the scattered buildings connected by spacious board walks. The site of the exhibition is particularly desirable and within easy access of the city. The grounds may be reached by railway trains which give a three minute service, and by electric cars which give a five-minute service.

The increase in the number and size of exhibition buildings becomes a necessity for the entries have each year shown a very large increase, taxing the accommodation to the utmost.

Last year the number of entries had grown to 5,000 and it must be remembered that many of these entries included a large number of exhibits. A few figures will best illustrate the extent of the Winnipeg Industrial. For this year's fair there are nine horse stables with 1,600 feet of stabling, 218 open and 130 box stalls, 10 cattle stables with 190 double stalls, a sheep building 200x100 with 144 pens, a swine building with 384 pens, poultry buildings 180x251, containing 392 coops. In addition to these there is a spacious main building, dining hall, horticultural hall, agricultural hall, dairy building, carriage buildings, machinery building, manufacturer's hall, and 21 refreshment booths. The grand stand, to which additions have had to be built each year, now has a capacity of 9,000.

The programme of special attractions this year is certainly the best that has been arranged and will be found most interesting. The very best professional performers available in the city of New York have been engaged and through the expense of bringing these artists the long distance to Winnipeg is very great the result, it is confidently felt, will justify the outlay.

Last year one of the great drawing cards of the fair was the "Seige of Algiers," a magnificent spectacle and display of fireworks. This year the directors have secured as a piece de resistance a fireworks spectacle that surpasses even "The Seige" in grandeur and startling effects. It is the great spectacle of the "Relief of Lucknow," describing the most thrilling incidents of the great Indian mutiny. This marvellous spectacular drama is designed by Messrs. Hand and Teale who are famous throughout America as experts in spectacular pyrotechnics. As the war spirit is now so prevalent this feature is sure to arouse the patriotic instincts of every Briton. The "Relief of Lucknow" is described in a most realistic manner, impersonations being given of the heroic British soldiers, the rebels and mutineers and the thrilling story told in a manner clear and striking that its impressions will never be forgotten. In the way of an outdoor military pyrotechnic spectacle perhaps nothing more elaborate has ever been attempted anywhere. The effects of the scenes will be heightened by the playing of the famous band of the 48th Highlanders of Toronto, which the board hope to secure. The bandmen, 40 in number, appear in full Highland costume, kilts, etc. In the recent great band competition at Hamilton, this band won first prize against all the best bands of the Dominion. Their programme includes vocal selections and their engagement is sure to give very great pleasure. In addition Winnipeg bands will also participate.

A few of the other special attractions may be briefly described. There will be Rose and Almoce, the celebrated aerial trapeze performers, Mlle. Almoce, the human fly, who walks on the ceiling as ordinary folk walk on the floor, the Vaidis sisters in a revolving trapeze act greatly heightened in effect by brilliant electrical display, the three brothers Maw, in an intensely funny roller skating act in which a fat man, a lady and a policeman cut up all sorts of humorous antics, the Aherus, sensational acrobats, equilibriste and gymnasts; Edward who gives a novel display of hand balancing on chairs, bottles, stools, etc.,

also on a high pedestal; the three Zenos in a new and original gymnastic act which is particularly neat, being performed in dress suits; Johnson, Davenport and Lorella, in a comedy act describing the trials of two football players and a farmer; Doenzo Brothers, expert acrobats and barrel jumpers; Froebel and Rugo in a comedy trapeze and balancing act that has delighted audiences in all the larger American cities; Bessie Gilbert, a very clever cornet virtuoso and Mlle. Eulalie, premiere danseuse, whose act is said to be very artistic and attractive. It is certainly a great list of special attractions and the climax will be reached in the highly sensational and startling "tower dive" by Mlle. Reince, who plunges headlong into a net from a dizzy height of sixty feet.

The programme of horse races and speeding events is also very complete this year. There will be a very interesting series of running, trotting and pacing races, farmers' trot or pace, races for bomb-flyer farm horses, stallion races, novelty races, the Manitoba Derby and other events too numerous to enumerate in this article. The purses offered are exceedingly liberal. For instance, in the free for all trot or pace the purse is the handsome sum of \$1,500.

The directors have arranged for a special rate of fares during Exhibition week on all Canadian railway lines, and on American lines as far south as Fargo and Winnipeg Junction. They expect a very large attendance, and are arranging that all who come shall be provided with comfortable quarters at a reasonable cost. All the vacant apartments in the city are being rented and placed at the disposal of city hotels. As there are between thirty and forty good hotels in Winnipeg, it will be understood that the facilities for accommodating a large number of visitors are of the best. This year too a system has been adopted to prevent overcrowding at the street car and railway gates, and indeed no pains or expense is being spared to ensure the comfort and safety of visitors to the Exhibition.

An illustrated programme containing well executed portraits of all the special performers is being published and may be had on application.

Probably the most novel feature of the exhibition will be a herd of buffalo, the noble monarchs of the prairie, whose species is now so nearly extinct. This herd is a portion of that of Lord Strathcona and was secured through the efforts of Winnipeg's mayor, Lord Strathcona's is the only herd of buffalo in all Canada and indeed is one of the very few in the world.

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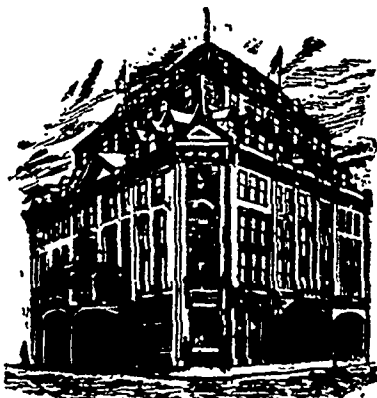
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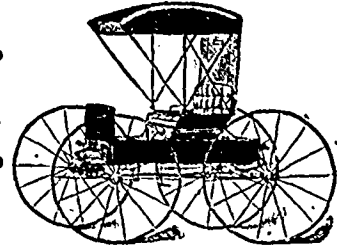
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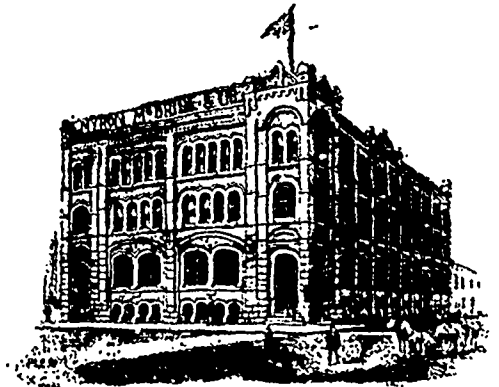


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Grocery Trade Notes.

The downward turn in foreign sugar markets is the cause of the decline reported last week at Canadian refineries.

Advices from Halifax state that the back of lobster so far has been the smallest on record. The market is tending upward.

Advices from Smyrna confirm previous reports that the crop of figs will be considerably less than 50 per cent of an average crop.

Several merchants at Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, have been fined \$50 to \$100 each and cost, for having smuggled tobacco, cigars and cigarettes in their possession.

The Hudson's Bay Co., Winnipeg, have received a letter from Havana, to the effect that a firm had been able to ship them a consignment of cigars from an eastern port on the island, notwithstanding the blockade.

Insurance Items.

The Edinburgh Life Assurance Co. has obtained a license authorizing the company to carry on its business in Manitoba.

The New York Life has issued a folder giving interesting colored war maps, showing the position of the West Indies, the Philippines, etc.

The legality of the levy by the liquidator of the Select Knights for six months' assessments upon ex-members of the organization, is being tested before the local master at St. Catharines, Ontario, the headquarters of the defunct assessment society.

The Northwestern Life Assurance Company of Chicago, an assessment concern, has been compelled to seek permission to raise its rates 50 per cent. The amount of losses from Jan. 1 to May 1 were \$630,000, and the amount received from assessments during that time \$187,000, and there is now outstanding unpaid \$307,000.



HORSE PARADE AT WESTERN FAIR, BRANDON

atoes are becoming much cheaper. May is quoted still lower. In the ice market, however, it is not thought that lower prices will prevail until the old crop of feed stuffs is disposed of which will be done, it is thought, before the new crop is ready for market. Jobbers are complaining again of the indifferent way eggs are packed for shipment in Manitoba, as compared with Ontario eggs. In the latter case there are comparatively no losses in shipment, except when water gets in the refrigerators on the train, which rarely happens; but shipments from Manitoba often arrive in Vancouver, according to produce handlers here, in a half spoiled condition. These remarks in a much less degree also apply to butter.

Ontario will have an immense all around crop this year, if the harvest comes off all right. Apples are a large crop.

A Montreal report says: The feature in the canned goods trade during the past week has been the demand for new pack salmon and sales aggregating between 3,000 to 4,000 cases of Clover Leaf brand have been made for future delivery at \$3.50 per case f.o.b. coast, which is the same figure this brand opened at last season.

Two big independent sugar refineries will begin operations in the United States competition with the Havemeyer trust within a few weeks. One of them is the property of Arbuckle Bros., whose venture into the sugar trust's field drew the latter into the coffee-roasting business and caused the fight which brought package coffee down to nine and eight cents a pound, or little more than one-half what it was formerly selling for. If it leads to a war with the trust of similar effect upon prices of sugar the public will not mourn.

The last assessment in 1897 produced \$310,000, while the call of April last realized only \$175,000. In view of these facts the increase requested does not seem excessive, and is therefore approved. The company which was originally the Northwestern Masonic Aid Association was incorporated in Chicago in 1874.

Druggists Sundries.

Manufacturers have advanced the price of white castile soap.

The British pharmacopoeia, 1898 edition, has been issued, and shows that some changes are important.

The new war stamp tax on patent medicines, which went into effect in the United States on July 1, is tending to an advance in prices of a number of articles for the domestic trade in the United States, but prices for the Canadian and foreign trade are not likely to be advanced as a general rule.

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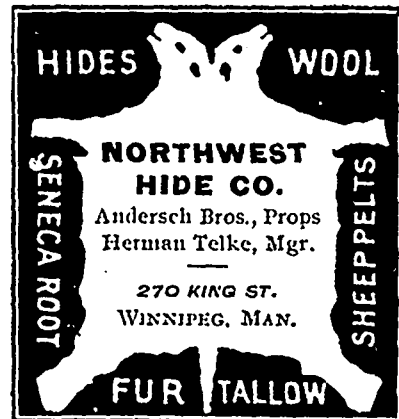
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BANK OF HAMILTON.

The annual financial statement of the Bank of Hamilton shows that this institution has concluded another very satisfactory business year. The earnings of the bank were sufficient to provide for the usual dividend of 8 per cent. and in addition, admit of increasing the reserve by \$50,000, after writing \$5,000 off bank premises and leaving about \$27,000 to carry forward.

Special reference is made in the report to the business of the bank in the West. This is spoken of very hopefully and as sufficient to warrant a further extension of the interests of the bank in this quarter. It is pleasing to learn the opinion of the eastern managers of the bank when they are so favorable to the West, and it is also pleasing to learn that the directors have not been disappointed in the results obtained since they decided to extend their interests in this direction.

Though the last but one of the banks now established in Winnipeg to open business in the West, the Bank of Hamilton has been one of the most active of the different financial institutions in extending its interests here. Less than two years ago the bank opened its first western branch in this city. Since then four branches have been opened at provincial points, including the branch just established at Brandon. The other points are Carman, Morden and Manitou, all thriving provincial towns. A branch will be opened at Hamiota, in this province, about August 1st. The bank has shown its faith in Winnipeg by the purchase of one of the very best business locations in the city — the Main street corner across from the post office—and a handsome modern building is now being established on this property.

DOMINION BANK.

The annual statement of the Dominion Bank shows net profits of \$182,462. This sum was absorbed in paying dividends equal to 12 per cent on the paid up capital of the bank, leaving a small sum to be carried forward to credit of profit and loss account. As the reserve fund of this bank is equal to its paid up capital, and there is a good credit balance, it was evidently not thought advisable to set aside any considerable portion of earnings to increase reserve.

It will no doubt be gratifying to the shareholders that the bank has again earned them the usual dividend of 12 per cent, without adding materially to credit balances. In these days 12 per cent may be considered very liberal earnings. Share investors certainly cannot expect that with the reduced interest rates now prevailing, as large dividends can be paid as a few years ago.

A remarkable feature of the statement is the large deposits held by this bank, amounting to over \$13,000,000.

BANK OF COMMERCE.

The annual statement of the Canadian Bank of Commerce shows net earnings of \$177,456. This amount has been sufficient to pay 7 per cent in dividends after writing \$25,000 off bank premises and transferring \$10,000 to pension fund, leaving over \$22,000 to carry forward in excess of the credit carried forward a year ago. Deposits show an increase of \$1,000,000. The strong position of this bank is shown in the statement that out of total assets of \$34,000,000, the large sum of \$17,000,000 is in cash or quickly convertible assets.

Reference is made to the appointment of the bank as sole agent for the collection of royalties in the Yukon. It is noted in this connection that a branch of the bank has been opened at Dawson City, the capital of Yukon.

BANK OF HAMILTON.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Hamilton was held on Monday, 20th inst., in the board-room of the head office.

There was a large attendance.

On motion, Mr. John Stuart was called to the chair, and Mr. J. Turnbull was appointed secretary.

Mr. Stuart, the president, submitted the annual report, as follows:

The directors beg to submit their annual report to the shareholders for the year ended 31st May, 1898.

The balance at credit of profit and loss account, 30th May, 1897, was\$ 21,029.09
The profits for the year ended 31st May, 1898, after deducting charges of management and making provision for bad and doubtful debts, are 160,804.37
\$181,833.39

From which have been declared:—
Dividend 4 per cent., paid 1st December, 1897\$50,000.00
Dividend 4 per cent., payable 1 June, 1898 50,000.00
Carried to reserve fund 50,000.00
Written off Bank premises account 5,000.00
\$135,000.00

Balance of profit and loss carried forward\$ 26,833.39

The report for 1897 noted the beginning of the Bank's operations in the Province of Manitoba. The experience of the past year's business has encouraged the Directors to sanction a policy of gradual expansion and widening of the Bank's influence and connections in that country.

Manitoba and the whole North-West appear to be entering on an era of great development, and your Directors consider the future prospects so inviting as to fully warrant the participation of this Bank in the beneficial results that appear to be so promising.

One of the best and most prominent positions in Winnipeg for a Banking office was secured, and the building is now being prepared for occupation. Three offices in the interior of Manitoba have been opened.

In Ontario agencies have been opened at Niagara Falls, Delhi, and Southampton, whilst that at Alliston has been closed.

JOHN STUART, President.
Hamilton, 9th June, 1898.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Liabilities.	
To the Public.	
Notes of the bank in circulation	\$ 1,187,573.00
Deposits bearing interest \$5,061,568.31	
Deposits not bearing interest	1,951,454.92
Amount reserved for interest due depositors	68,351.24
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Balance due to agents of the Bank of Great Britain	195,160.51
Dividend No. 51, payable June 1, 1898	50,000.00
Former dividends unpaid	202.96
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	\$ 9,117,310.94

To the Shareholders.	
Capital stock paid up	\$1,250,000.00
Reserve fund	775,000.00
Amount reserved for rebate of interest on current bills discounted...	30,000.00
Balance of profits carried forward	26,833.39
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	\$ 2,081,833.39
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	\$11,199,144.33

Assets.	
Gold and silver coin	\$184,481.33
Dominion Government notes	482,940.00
Deposit with the Dominion government as security for note circulation	60,000.00
Notes of and Cheques on other banks....	233,058.44
Balances due from other banks in Canada and the United States	266,480.58
Canadian and British government and other public securities	1,719,678.95
Loans at call on negotiable securities	796,236.31
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Notes discounted and advances current	7,006,255.43
Notes discounted, etc., overdue (estimated loss provided for)	40,867.33
Bank premises, office furniture, safes, etc.....	350,433.74
Real estate (other than bank premises), mortgages, etc.....	16,018.79
Other assets not included under foregoing heads...	42,693.43
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	\$11,199,144.33

J. TURNBULL, Cashier.

Bank of Hamilton
Hamilton, May 31, 1898.

The adoption of the report was moved by the President, seconded by Mr. A. T. Wood, M. P., and carried.

Mr. William Hendrie and Mr. Samuel Barker moved the usual vote of thanks to the Directors, and Mr. F. W. Gates, seconded by Mr. F. W. Fearman, the customary acknowledgements of the Shareholders to the staff.

Messrs. F. H. Lamb and George E. Gates were appointed scrutineers, and reported the re-election of Messrs. John Stuart, A. G. Ramsay, John Proctor, George Roach, A. T. Wood, M. P., A.

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B. Lee, and Wm. Gibson, M. P., as Directors.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. John Stuart was re-elected President, and Mr. A. G. Ramsay, Vice-President.

FINANCIAL NOTES.

Muple Creek school debentures to the amount of \$1,000, at 6 per cent, are offered by tender.

The Bank of Hamilton opened their new branch at Brantford on July 1. A branch will be opened at Hamilton, Man., on August 1.

It is reported that the Imperial Bank will open a branch at some point in East Kootenay, probably Wardner or Fort Steele.

Letters patent have been issued incorporating Hon. Thomas Greenway, Hon. J. D. Cameron, H. H. Beck, G. A. Simpson, of Winnipeg, and Thomas L. Morton, of Gladstone, under the name of the Land and Investment company. The capital stock is placed at half a million dollars.



THE ONTARIO MUTUAL.

The annual report of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance company shows that the last year has been the most successful in the history of the company. The income for the year was \$820,900; total insurance in force Dec. 31, 1897, \$21,487,000; new business written and accepted in 1897, \$3,070,900. The large amount of \$73,676 was paid to policy holders in profits during the year. The available divisible surplus to policy holders on the 4 per cent standard is \$231,417. This is exclusive of \$57,087 being value of bonds and stocks over cost, and not included in assets, which would increase the surplus to that extent.

P. D. McKinnon, of Winnipeg, western manager for the company, reports that the business of this company has been very satisfactory within his territory during the year. Casper Kille, of Winnipeg, is the general agent, and S. J. Drake, cashier.

ONTARIO MUTUAL LIFE.

The 28th annual meeting of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company was held in the Town Hall, Waterloo, Ontario, on Thursday, May 20, 1898. The attendance, though not large, was representative, and much enthusiasm prevailed.

The President, Mr. Robert Melvin, Guelph, occupied the chair, and on the platform the following directors were seated: Messrs. Taylor, Hoskin, Bruce, Britton, Fiskin, Clement, Kidd, Somerville and Fair.

On motion of Mr. P. Clement, seconded by Mr. Geo. A. Somerville, Mr. W. H. Riddell, secretary of the company, acted as secretary of the meeting. The minutes of the last annual meeting were formally taken as read and adopted.

The president then called upon the secretary to read the

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

Your directors respectfully submit the following as their report for the year ending December 31, 1897:

Since we last met you, it has been our misfortune to lose by death the ser-

vice of our president, the late I. E. Bowman, who was one of the founders of the company, its first and only president up to the time of his death. Eulogy of him is not necessary, as he long held positions of honor and trust, and deservedly commanded the universal respect of all who knew him for sterling honesty and integrity, for his fairness in all his dealings with his fellowmen, and for his devotion to duty. He will be missed at the board, over whose deliberations he so ably and so long presided. Mr. Hendry was appointed director in his place.

We are pleased to inform you that the business of the past year has been of the most gratifying character in every respect, and that we still continue our liberal scale of distribution of surplus to our policy-holders, notwithstanding the great lowering of the rate of interest, and consequently lessened earning power of money.

The number and amount of policies issued during the year was 2,020 amounting to	\$ 3,070,900.00
Number of applications declined, 90, amounting to	122,500.00
Not premium income	644,107.05
Interest on investments	175,873.25
Total income	319,980.30
Total assets	3,741,405.01
Total amount of insurance in force	21,487,181.38
Reserve to meet liabilities on insurance in force according to government requirement, H. M. 4 1-2 p. c.	3,327,789.46
According to our standard, Actuaries' 4 p.c. ...	3,480,372.41
Amount paid for death claims	126,425.00
Endowment	49,086.00
Purchased policies	97,784.29
Annuities	780.17
Surplus	73,676.29
Total amount paid to policy-holders	347,751.75
Mortality for 1897	135,633.00
Surplus earned	91,303.39
Surplus over all liabilities, our Standard, Actuaries' 4 p.c.	231,417.05
Government standard, H. M. 4 1-2 p.c.	390,000.00

The demand for money was not active during the year, but the funds of the company have been fully invested, but at a little lower rate of interest.

The interest on our investments has been well met, and the amount of overdue and accrued interest is much less than for many years.

The collapse of several of the larger assessment companies and a feeling of uncertainty towards some others have had the effect of directing the attention of many of the better class of insurers to companies whose business is based on level premiums and ample reserves. With other old line companies we have been benefitted by increased business, and hope to benefit to a much larger extent in the near future.

Financial statements prepared and certified to by your auditors are herewith submitted for your consideration, also certificates of executive committee on mortgages and other securities of the company.

You will be called upon to elect four directors in the place of B. M. Britton, Q. O. Geo. A. Somerville, F. O. Bruce and J. Kerr Fiskin, all of whom are eligible for re-election.

On behalf of the Board,
R. Melvin, President.

Waterloo, May 26, 1898.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

In moving the adoption of the report the president said: I am sure you will, with me, deeply regret the death of our late president. As was expressed in the address to his family, the board feel that, as individuals, they have lost a valued friend and wise counsellor, and we know that with us you highly appreciated his sterling honesty and integrity, and the faithfulness with which he discharged the duties of president for so many years.

The business of the past year has been in every way of the most satisfac-

tory character; indeed it has been one of the best years, if not the best, in the history of the company, both with regard to the amount of business done and the character and quality of that business, enabling us to distribute to the policy-holders the large sum of \$73,676.29, an increase of nearly \$2,000 over the previous year, and considerably over double the amount paid in 1887, \$34,849. You will see by the report that the net result of the year's business with regard to new business taken and business revived, we have added to the amount of insurance in force in December, 1896, the sum of \$1,485,719. It might be interesting to see how we compare with other companies in the amount and quality of our business. We accepted assurance for \$3,070,900 and added to our previous amount \$1,485,719. The Canada Life reported accepted assurances for \$4,942,081 and added \$1,971,988.08; Confederation, \$3,080,472 and added \$771,582; North American Life \$3,431,524, and added \$1,451,708; and the Sun (Canadian business) \$4,317,292, and added \$1,261,172.

The fifteen Canadian companies added to their insurance in force December, 1896, \$13,623,969, of which sum the Ontario contributed over 10 per cent. The whole business added in Canada in 1897 by Canadian, British and American companies was \$16,512,949, of which sum the American added (Canadian business) \$2,444,684 and British companies (ten doing business) \$455,296. So that it will be apparent to you that we have more than hold our own in the struggle for business in Canada, and that the Canadian companies are yearly absorbing more and more of the life assurance business of the Dominion, a result that must be gratifying to all Canadians.

Our income has kept pace with the increase of our business and shows an increase over last year's of \$59,577.06, and our total assets show an increase over last year's of \$336,497.32, amounting to \$3,741,405.01. Ten years ago they were \$1,098,448, an increase since 1887 of \$2,651,957. If we were to adopt the principle of many corporations or companies of adding to our assets the increased value of our debentures over the amount we paid for them, amounting to \$57,087, our assets and surplus would both be increased by that amount; but we have not in any case taken these securities in account at a larger sum than we paid for them.

Our reserve is on the Actuaries' Table, the highest assumed rate of mortality, and all our business, new and old, is on a 4 per cent basis, and has been for several years. Some of the companies still base their reserves on 4 1-2 per cent. H. M. for both old and new business; The Canada, at 4 per cent, on the American Table; Confederation, old business H. M. 4 1-2 per cent., new business H. M. 3 1-2 per cent.; Dominion 4 1-2 per cent. on old business, and 4 per cent on policies since July, 1896; Federal 4 1-2 per cent. H. M. on all its business; Great West 4 per cent. Actuaries' on all its policies; Manufacturers' H. M. 4 1-2 per cent. on old business and 4 per cent. on new business; North American old business 4 1-2 per cent. H. M., new business 4 per cent. H. M. since last year only; Temperance & General, H. M. 4 1-2 per cent. on old business, and 4 per cent, on new business, and the Sun now H. M. 4 per cent.

It may be that in the near future we may require a 3 1-2 or even a 3 per cent reserve, which some of the British companies have already adopted. For the new business of 1897 the reserve by the American Experience, 3 1-2 per cent. Table is \$46,043, while by our standard Actuaries' 4 per cent. it is \$44,415, being a difference of \$1,628. If, therefore, the liabilities were computed by the Actuaries' 4 per cent. Table for old business and the American Experience 3 1-2 per cent. for new business, the total amount would be increased by \$1,628 and our surplus correspondingly decreased. It would be an easy step, therefore, to assume the two standards of 4 per cent. for old and 3 1-2 per cent. for new business, thereby placing the

company still further in advance of all its competitors.

The death rate is a certain and fixed quantity, while the rate of interest or value of money is very unstable, but always with a downward tendency. So whatever we may do with regard to profits, surplus, etc., we are bound to make ample provision for payment to the utmost farthing of our obligations. In making those remarks I do not wish to be understood as meaning that the time has arrived to change our basis of reserve, but, if the time should come when it may become necessary, that the Ontario, as on former occasions, will be one of the first to adopt a still higher standard of safety.

It is gratifying indeed to observe the very great decrease in lapses and surrender values. This has been the weak spot in all life assurance companies for many years, but let us hope the very marked improvement this year may continue, and that not only we, but all other companies may share in a like improvement.

In conclusion—I have endeavored to show you that as compared with 1896 we added largely to our insurance in force, and as compared with 1887 we nearly doubled the amount of insurance on our books; that as compared with the past or any other year our lapses are very much less, our reinstatements more, our total income much greater, and that we paid more surplus last year than in any previous year; that as compared with 1887 we paid more than double, that we added largely to our reserve and to our surplus, that our death rate was less, and that up to the first of May in the present year our new business is greater by \$101,000 than for the same time last year, and our death rate up to May 1st is not greater than for the corresponding period of last year. Therefore, have we not reason to hope, with the active and earnest co-operation of our policy-holders, board agents and staff, in all legitimate and honest ways, to anticipate for 1898 as great, or even greater prosperity than we had in 1897?

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Alfred Hoskin, C. C., 2nd vice-president of the company, said in seconding the adoption of the report: "I must be permitted to add a few words to what has been said in regard to our late president. In his death the company not only sustained a great loss, but the board was deprived of a friend: Mr. Bowman was an all-round man; he was not only careful and solid, but had a clear mind and foresight. His judgment, in the investment of our funds, was sound, and he was always alive to the advancement of the insurance part of the business. The agents and all connected with the business, cannot but admit that he was ever ready to listen, and, after consideration, to adopt suggestions made in the interests of the company. He earned his rest, and I feel warranted in saying that we all miss him.

"I desire to add a few words as to the position of the investment part of our business. Although we are an insurance company, and every effort should be made to push and enlarge that portion of the business, yet the stability of that depends upon the security of the investments—without the latter the former would be in peril, and the agents would find a difficulty in securing insurances if the assets of the company were doubtful. In 1897 the invested funds of the company amounted to \$3,484,781. The care of such a large sum entails considerable labor and anxiety upon those who have charge of the same, for upon the earning power of this sum depends largely the profits we have to divide. It is almost unnecessary for me to remark that the rates to be obtained are steadily falling, and in addition the difficulties of finding investments are increasing. Complaints are sometimes made by policy holders that their profits are not increasing fast enough, but if they thought for a moment they must conclude that, as profits are less in every kind of business and in loan companies, the profits from the investments of insurance companies must be similarly affected.

"I find that in 1896 our average rate of interest on our investments was 5.62 per cent., and in 1897, 5.13 per cent. This, to a great extent, arises from our having to reduce the rate, in many instances, from 6 to 5 1-2 per cent. In comparison with other companies of about our size, I find that during the years 1896 and 1897 the net rate of interest earned by them was respectively only 4.44 and 4.31, 4.92 and 4.65, 4.76 and 4.63 per cent., so you will see that our showing, by comparison, is a good one. Agents very naturally desire to get as much remuneration as possible, but they should have regard to the decreasing earnings of all companies, and also that very few companies can stand an increasing expenditure upon a decreasing earning power.

"I find that, as compared with other Canadian companies, our investments (except in two companies) upon mortgages are larger, and (except in one instance) our investments on debentures are greater, comprising about 75 per cent. of our total funds invested. Our remaining investments consist almost of loans on the security of our policies and real estate.

"I might state for the information of the policy holders that once a year a committee of the board handles every mortgage and debenture, and ascertains the position of each mortgage account, and where thought necessary, gives instructions for their being looked after.

"Like other investing institutions, some of the properties upon which loans have been made have fallen into the company's hands, but I am pleased to be able to say that the amount is not large nor the estimated loss considerable, the net income from it being last year equal to 3 1-3 per cent. Referring again for a moment to the lessening earning power, I would like to call the attention of the agents to lapses. These are a great loss to every company, and if they could be lessened companies could pay more to their agents, and probably more to their policy-holders. I find in one Canadian company that they were only able to increase their 'insurance in force' to the extent of about 35 per cent. of the new insurance effected in 1897. In comparison we were enabled to increase ours by about 55 per cent. Even the new giant in the field shows that it has not been exempt from this source of depletion. It has always appeared to me that agents might, by using judgment and discretion, lessen this loss and weakness, and I believe it is in their interests to make an effort.

"I cannot conclude without making an allusion to the gentleman who now has the honor to be at the head of this institution, for it is an honor. The mantle of our late lamented president has fallen upon worthy shoulders and I can assure you that the best interests of the company are his concern, and that he does not allow anything to slip from his care and attention if he can help it. He is one of the pioneers of the company, and it owes a great deal to his judgment and attention, and I sincerely hope the company will for a long time have the benefit of his services."

ASSESSMENT COMPANIES.

Mr. B. M. Britton, C. C., M.P., Kingston, in moving a vote of thanks to the managers, secretary and officers, took occasion to refer to the harmony that existed at the annual meetings of the company, and the enthusiasm manifested in its proceedings from year to year. He was pleased to note the steady growth of the company, and the satisfactory results achieved for its policy holders. He contrasted the advantages which policy holders enjoyed in a well managed Legal Reserve Life company like the Ontario Mutual Life as compared with certificate holders in any kind of assessment companies, which, as well said by the superintendent of insurance for the Dominion, "were an experiment" and that "what has just taken place in the case of the Massachusetts Benefit Assessment association exemplified in a striking manner what may be expected in the case of all similar associations." At best insurance in such societies can be considered only as temporary. He believed that the time

was rapidly approaching when many of the assessment companies must necessarily go to the wall. Certificate holders must, if such associations do not wholly collapse, "either drop out or pay very largely increased premiums, and that, too, at a time when by reason of impaired health, or for other causes, it may be impossible to obtain insurance elsewhere."

No company can stand forever, humanly speaking, unless the premiums charged are sufficient to cover the risk of dying and the expenses of conducting the business. Public opinion at the present time is much more enlightened on this subject than formerly, in proof of which he instanced the discussions which have recently taken place in parliament on the subject of life insurance, and assessment insurance in particular. The half-heartedness with which legislators approached the subject in the past has been supplanted by a sincere desire to understand the needs of the insuring public, and to safeguard their interests by legislation of a practical character, which, while fostering all legitimate life insurance, will make it impossible for counterfeit insurance to obtain a foothold in Canada.

OTHER BUSINESS.

Regret was very generally expressed at the absence of the manager from this meeting owing to severe illness, from the effects of which he has not yet recovered, and a resolution conveying the sympathy of the meeting was passed, and expressing the hope that his health may soon be restored.

On motion of Mr. J. L. Troy, Dr. Webb and Mr. George Wegenast were appointed scrutineers for the election of four directors. The balloting which followed resulted in the re-election of Messrs. B. M. Britton, C. C., M.P.; Francis C. Bruce, wholesale seed merchant, Hamilton; J. Kerr Fiske, B.A., Toronto, and Geo. A. Somerville, manager of the Huron & Erie Loan and Savings company, London.

On motion of Messrs. J. M. Scully and Geo. Davidson were re-appointed auditors for the present year.

Heartly votes of thanks were accorded to the president, vice-presidents and directors for carefully looking after the company's affairs, and to the manager, secretary, actuary, officers and agents for faithfully discharging their respective duties during the past year.

The directors met subsequently and re-elected Mr. Robt. Melvin, president; Mr. C. M. Taylor, first vice-president, and Mr. Alfred Hoskin, C. C., second vice-president of the company for the ensuing year.

The Canadian Pacific are building new stock yards at Hartney, Man.

According to the decision of the Privy Council, the Canadian provinces have the right to grant fishery leases, while the federal government has the power to regulate the close seasons and the manner of fishing.

L. Godbolt, western representative of J. & T. Bell, manufacturers of boots and shoes, Montreal, returned to Winnipeg this week from the coast. Mr. Godbolt says that the crops are looking remarkably fine all along the Canadian Pacific railway main line, both in Manitoba and the Territories, while in the range country the grass is fresh and green looking, and there is a noticeable increase in the number of cattle visible in passing through the country. The Australian business of the firm, Mr. Godbolt says, is proving very satisfactory. Since he first introduced these goods in Australia, they have received many repeat orders from Australian firms. The firm of J. & T. Bell is also extending its business to Great Britain, and is gradually working up a large export trade. Mr. Godbolt says Canada can compete with all comers in the boot and shoe trade.

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Western Manitoba's Big Fair

Manitoba is destined to have two big fairs, one in Winnipeg and the other in Brandon. The Winnipeg fair has secured for itself a continental reputation, and judging from last year's success and this year's preparations, the fair at Brandon is likely to prove equally successful. The western part of the province, with Brandon as its central point, is progressing so rapidly that it can easily maintain a large exhibition which will be excelled no where in Canada in regard to exhibits of live stock and farm products. The horses, cattle and sheep from Western Manitoba always won many first prizes at the Winnipeg exhibition, and this part of the fair at Brandon cannot be surpassed. The horticultural exhibit is always first class in every particular, and is supplemented by exhibits from the Experimental farms at Brandon and Indian Head. As Brandon is the centre of the great wheat district, the

als for sweepstake butter. Clare Bros. Co. through their agent, Mr. Wm. Miller have again donated a No. 9 patron cooking stove, value \$35, for the best 20 lb. tub dairy butter made by bona fide farmers, and similarly other business houses throughout Canada are offering handsome prizes.

The attractions last year, as will be remembered were worth going a long way to see, but this year the directors have spared neither time nor money to procure the very latest original attractions from the eastern cities and Europe, and no doubt all will avail themselves of this great opportunity of visiting Brandon and of seeing something they will ever remember. One of the greatest attractions we might mention is the encampment of the Royal Canadian Dragoons. This fine body of men and horses will be in camp on the grounds during the fair and will give their celebrated musical ride with electrical effects, and also the exhibition of military sports. This will be something new to that part

days of the fair, and no one can afford to miss inspecting this wonderful object lesson of nature. Mr. Bedford and the courteous assistants will always be glad to explain to visitors the nature and peculiarities of the experiments now being made, with trees, plants, grains, roots, etc.

The directors have secured free transportation for exhibits and extremely low railway rates on the C. P. R. east and west, the Souris branch, the Northern Pacific, the Great Northwest Central, and the Manitoba and Northwestern. The committee on accommodations has made provision for a large number of visitors, and all may expect to be provided with comfortable quarters during the days of the fair.

Elaborate and extensive arrangements have been made for an immense crowd and July 19, 20, and 22 will prove a great week for western Manitoba's big fair.

We give a couple of cuts from views taken at last year's exhibition.



HORTICULTURAL EXHIBIT, WESTERN FAIR, BRANDON

display of all kinds of farm machinery is especially full, manufacturers from all parts of the continent, sending their latest improved implements. Up to the present manufacturers in other lines have not made large displays, but this year the exhibits in this class will be more comprehensive as business men recognize the large market that is afforded by the closely settled districts of the western part of the province.

In order to accommodate the larger exhibits increased accommodation has been made. Several magnificent new buildings of the most modern designs have been erected this year for horses, cattle, sheep, poultry, dairy and agricultural products. The grand stand has also been greatly enlarged. Magnificent and costly prizes are being offered. Amongst other special prizes that will be offered we might mention \$200 for red fife wheat. Merchants' Bank of Canada donates \$25 for the best creamery made butter. Lister & Co. give gold and silver med-

als of the country and no doubt will be greatly appreciated, and we might mention that Brandon will be the only place this year that the Royal Canadian Dragoons will visit.

Speeding events have been made a great attraction, also the bicycle and foot races. Valuable and costly prizes are being offered for the two latter events. Among the speeding events we might mention large purses are being offered for the following: Three minute trot or pace, 2.30 trot or pace, 14 1-2 hand pony races, 14 polo pony race, gentleman's road race to buggy, 1000 for all trot or pace, 2.40 trot or pace, 14 hands pony race, one mile dash, hurdle races, farmers running races, farmers trot or pace, stallions trot or pace, open half-mile running, Indian pony race, potato races.

One of the drawing features of the Brandon fair is the experimental farm. This attracts hundreds of farmers from all parts of the west. Everything at this valuable Dominion institution will be seen at its best during the

Evidently a Sucker.

The Winnipeg Free Press related to its readers quite seriously the other day how black bass had become plentiful in the local market, as a result of the stocking of the upper waters of the Red some years ago by the United States government. We were told the fish had become so plentiful that they retailed at the low price of 6 cents per pound. Some one has evidently taken the Free Press reporter for a sheephead. At any rate he has been successfully worked for a sucker. It is true that certain hucksters of Hebrew persuasion peddle around a coarse fish called sheephead, which they sometimes succeed in palming off upon unsuspecting ones as bass, but it would take a long course of fishing to find the genuine article in the Red river.

J. W. Cochran, of Glenboro, is erecting a 30,000 bushel elevator at Stockton, Man.

TO THE TRADE

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Manitoba

E. H. Williams, hardware, Binscarth, has sold out to W. J. Dolg, hardware dealer, of Russell.

W. R. Ridington, Foxwarren, has disposed of his stock of small wares and will confine his attention to builders' supplies, contract and repair work, etc.

Meikle & Co., printer, Russell, have dissolved. G. G. Meikle continues the business.

R. M. Graham, the pioneer merchant of Melita, has disposed of his stock and business to Thos. McJannet, of Grenfell. Assa., formerly a member of the firm of J. W. Jones & Co.

The Rathbun Co., who sold out their cash and door business in Winnipeg some time ago, as noted at the time, intend closing their Winnipeg office. Mr. Watson, their agent here, will leave for the east in a week or two.

The use of brick for building material must be largely on the increase in Manitoba, judging from the number of brick yards started through-



S. A. BEDFORD.
Pres. Western Fair, Brandon.

out the country this season. Hallen & Sackville have started a brick yard at Hartney.

At a meeting of the license commissioners of the Winnipeg district, a license was granted to H. W. Sloan for Sloan's restaurant, and transfers were granted to Cyrus Y. Gregory, of the Queen's hotel, and to Dan. J. Murphy, of the Bellevue.

The general store business of Montgomery & Colquhoun, Deloraine, was purchased by H. L. Montgomery, of Deloraine, and S. K. Colquhoun, of Hartney, by whom it will be continued. The first notice of the purchase by Colquhoun alone, was an error.

G. F. Stephens & Co., wholesale paints, Winnipeg, have purchased the warehouse on Market street which they have occupied for some years. This large warehouse is very suitable for their business. A spur from the transfer railway track reaches the rear of the building, giving excellent receiving and shipping facilities for heavy freight.

British Columbia Items.

A. Stevens, tailor, has opened at Nelson.

J. C. Moody, grocer, is starting at Rossland.

Hartley & Co., grocers, are opening at Rossland.

Alex. McDonald, is opening an hotel at Brooklyn.

W. C. Lanchland is opening in drugs at Wardner.

Chas. Smeaton, grocer, Vancouver, has given up business.

Oliver & Woods, grocers, Sandon, have dissolved.

Barrett Bros., grocers, Salmo, are closing business.

E. R. Bailey & Son, butchers, Vernon, have sold out.

Hayes & Howard are opening a general store at Coal Creek.

Smith & Aldrich are opening a general store at Anaconda.

W. B. Bower is opening a general store at Grand Forks.

J. A. Gilker, general store, Nelson, is opening a branch at Ymir.

J. H. Anderson is opening business in fruits and cigars at Trail.

W. H. Graham & Co., boots and shoes, Nelson, have dissolved.

Hall Bros. are opening a general store and hotel, at Cascade City.

C. N. Eccelstone, fruit, confectionery, New Westminster, has sold out.

H. Kershaw, Fort Steele, restaurant, is adding confectionery and cigars.

F. A. Empey & Co., general store, Rossland, is succeeded by Empey Bros.

H. Byers, hardware, Kaslo, Sandon and Nelson, is admitting J. Vallance into partnership.

Codd, Clapcott & Co., Fort Hammond, wholesale, commission, etc.: a new co-partnership formed.

The following items are reported from Victoria: J. H. Leahy, saloon, has sold out. Wade & McKeon, harness, are starting business. Mrs. Plummer, fruit, etc., has opened business.

Thos. A. Sharpe, G. H. Hadwen and R. E. Gosnell have been commissioned by the British Columbia government to enquire into and report upon a number of provincial matters, such as agriculture in the province, working of the tax laws, irrigation, preservation of fruits, reclamation of swamp, timber and flooded lands, etc.

The following items are reported from Revelstokp: Pippy & Wright, tinsmiths, have dissolved. Jas. E. Wright continuing. H. L. Lovring, fruit, etc., is starting business. R. Loughed, dairy, is succeeded by Salmon Arm Co-Operative Co. J. T. Woodrow, ice, etc., has sold out to H. L. Lovring. Manning & Sawyer are opening a sash and door factory.

The following items are reported from Vancouver: The Walter A. Anderson Co., Ltd., commission agents, is incorporated. Scott, Milne Co., commission, have sold out to J. R. McPhail. P. Elligott, grocer, is dead. J. F. Jaek, drugs, has sold out to McDowell. Atkins, Watson Co., Ltd. F. R. Stewart & Co., commission and produce, have added grocers sundries. W. B. Saunders, jeweler, has opened business. B. Simon, cigars, is succeeded by E. F. Gerster.

Alberta.

C. N. Tubman has sold his grocery and crockery business at South Edmonton to Wilkin & Richards who will continue the same.

J. C. Wainright and W. M. Reynolds have formed a partnership at South Edmonton as painters, etc.

J. B. Mercer, druggist, of Battleford, has decided to remove to Edmonton, where he will open a wholesale liquor business.

Tenders.

Tenders for an addition to the east ward school, Portage la Prairie, are asked for.

Tenders will be received until the tenth day of July, for the lands owned by the York Farmers' Colonization company.

The tender of T. F. Patterson, of Birtle, for the construction of a bridge over the Assiniboine river near Birtle, Man., has been accepted by the provincial department of public works.

The stock of general merchandise of Morrisette & Setterington, Norman, Ontario, will be sold by tender on July



J. A. CHRISTIE.
Vice-Pres. Western Fair, Brandon.

1. The stock consists of: Dry goods, \$1,250, boots and shoes, \$1,000; hats, caps and clothing, \$400; groceries, etc., \$1,350.

Grain and Milling News.

Metcalle & Sons' elevator, at Portage la Prairie, Man., is nearing completion. It is to be fitted with all the modern machinery, and will be a great convenience in connection with their oatmeal milling business.

Mr. Hastings, manager of the Lake of the Woods Milling Co., Winnipeg, has, since his return from his European tour, visited and inspected the company's mills at Kewatin and Rat Portage. Mr. Hastings had a grand trip in Europe and enjoyed the experience thoroughly, particularly his visit to the great flour milling centre of Buda Pesth, Hungary, which he says is one of the finest cities in Europe.

The Edmonton Bulletin says: Several large lots of furs are in from the north and will be put up for competition shortly. One lot was brought in by Paul Bros., from Peace river, another lot worth from \$7,000 to \$8,000 was brought in by Guillemo Dejarlais from Lesser Slave lake.



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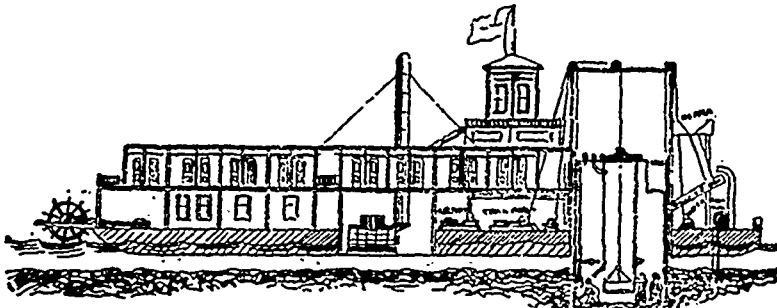
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THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, July 2.

Some branches of wholesale trade, including groceries, dry goods, clothing, etc., have been rather quieter this week. In hardware, paints, lumber, etc., a fairly active business is doing. The demand for building supplies of all kinds is active. No movement in grain, and no shipping business will be doing in live stock until grass cattle are ready for the market, which will be later in the present month. The weather has continued favorable for the crops, which have improved much during the past two weeks. Early wheat is heading out, promising a fairly early harvest with favorable weather.

Bank clearings at Winnipeg this week were \$1,269,400, compared with \$1,324,304 a year ago and \$894,112 for the corresponding week two years ago.

WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, July 2

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Orders for harvesting machinery, including mowers, rakes and binders have been received freely, and aggregate considerably in excess of last year. Mowers and rakes are now beginning to go out to consumers. It is expected some orders for binders may be cancelled in districts where the recent drouth was felt the most severely.

BINDER TWINE.

Manitoba farmers are getting what may be considered a snap this year in binder twine. At least those who buy their twine early will. Dealers are selling twine to consumers at 3 to 4c per pound less than they could now buy it for in car lots. Most Manitoba dealers were fortunate in buying fairly liberal supplies of twine early in the season. Shortly after this the big "boom" in twine set in and prices have since almost doubled. Those who did not buy before the advance, did not buy at all, as they could not compete with those who bought before the advance. Those who bought early are selling the twine out to consumers at the usual moderate margin of profit, regardless of the fact that twine has advanced so much since they made their purchases. In other words, Manitoba dealers are not taking advantage of the market to make the big profit on twine which they might legitimately enough do. Of course, when the twine that was bought early is used up, there will be a big jump in values. How much of the dear twine will be needed, will of course depend on the outcome of the crop, as a heavy or light crop may easily make a difference of a pound or more per acre in the quantity required. In Dakota, south of the boundary, it is said farmers are paying 12 to 14c per pound for twine. Some Dakota people have been trying to buy twine in Manitoba.

GREEN FRUITS.

Bananas have arrived in better shape this week, but the fruit is costing high and are expected to be scarce and dearer for a couple of weeks. The demand in the United States about July 1, is very large, which is partly

the cause of the scarcity and high prices. Lemons are very firm. Prices have advanced sharply in eastern markets and would cost much higher to lay down here. Locally, prices are 50c to \$1 higher. Strawberries have been offered in limited quantities at irregular intervals. Some British Columbia berries arrived but were on the soft side and not fit to re-ship. Plums and peaches were temporarily out of the market part of the week, due probably to interruption of supplies by the big 4th of July demand south. Tomatoes are lower. Apricots are advancing and are becoming scarce. Blood oranges scarce. Georgia watermelons now arriving. Prices are: Oranges: California Mediterranean sweets, \$3.25 to \$3.75 a box late Valencia, \$4 to \$4.50 box; St. Michael oranges, \$3.75 to \$4; blood oranges \$3.50 to \$4 a box; bananas a bunch, \$2 to \$2.50 as to size; Messina lemons, \$4.75 to \$5 per box as to quality; pineapples small, \$2.50 to \$3 per dozen; pie plant, \$1 per 100 lbs.; strawberries, \$3.50 per case of twenty-four quarts; tomatoes, \$1.50 per crate of four baskets; Oregon cherries, \$1.50 per ten pound gross box; apricots, \$2.00 to \$2.25 per box; California peaches, \$1.75 per box; California plums, \$2 to \$2.50 box, as to quality and variety; watermelons, \$5.50 to \$6 per dozen; coconuts, \$1 per dozen; Sicily filberts, large, 11c to 12c per pound; Grenoble walnuts 14c; figs, elemes 14 lb. boxes \$1.50; 20 lb. boxes \$2.50; 1 lb. boxes per doz. \$1.75; dates 6c 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, \$6.50; apple cider 35c per gal. in barrels and half barrels; Egyptian onions 3c per lb.

GROCERIES.

Brokers have been offering early canned fruits in this market, including strawberries, black and red raspberries, and black and red cherries of domestic pack. First shipments of new pack strawberries are in transit and are expected to arrive almost any time. Dealers here have the impression that the pack of strawberries is large. The other fruits named will not be in for three weeks to a month. New vegetables have not been offered here yet for future delivery, though it is reported from the east that packers have named quotations on corn, peas and tomatoes. Local jobbers, however, place very little faith in statements and promises of eastern packers, and they have little respect for the way many of these people do business. Last year Winnipeg jobbers were unable to get delivery of goods, principally tomatoes, which they purchased from some of these packers, and if it had not been for the irresponsible standing of some of these packers, there might have been some suits at law to compel delivery of goods. Jobbers are therefore cautious in their dealings with eastern packers, many of whom are said to do business in a very unbusiness-like way. No advices have been received regarding new dried apricots yet, though these goods should be ready to ship soon. Owing to the enhanced cost of sulphur and other raw material entering into the composition of the sulphur match, caused by the war, the E. B. Eddy Co. have increased prices of their matches 25c per case.

HARDWARE, PAINTS, ETC.

Business is good in these branches. The demand for barb wire has fallen off considerably and with the arrival of supplies the pressure to fill orders has been relieved. White lead is firm and some look for a further advance in this commodity. Prices are generally steady this week. Flax seed has been declining for some time in United States markets, but the local area sown to flax is light, and unless the crop is a good one there will be difficulty in securing enough seed to keep local mills running. The outlook for linseed oil is therefore uncertain. Glass is a very firm article at present. Prices have advanced sharply in primary markets, and it is said the cost now is about 20 per cent higher in Belgium. Eastern Canada markets are firm and comparatively higher than the local market. At Toronto and Montreal \$1.45 is quoted for first break, which with the 66 cent freight rate on straight car lots and cost of handling would be equal to \$1.90 laid down in Winnipeg, while the price quoted here is \$1.80, or relatively 10c under eastern markets. In mixed car lots glass would cost \$1.95 laid down here, based on eastern jobbers' prices, or 15c higher than the local quotation.

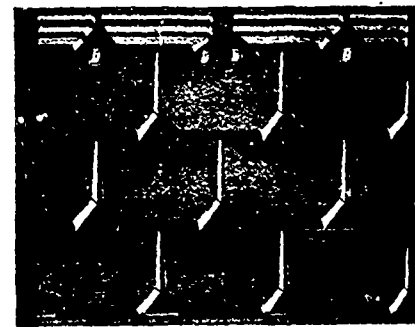
GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—We have to record another week of stagnation in the local wheat trade. No demand on the one hand and nothing offering on the other, is a fair description of the situation. The short sales mentioned in previous weekly reports being mostly if not altogether for June delivery, have been all filled, and in order to do so within contract time a few more carloads of spot wheat have changed hands at from 95c to 97 1-2c for No. 1 hard in store Fort William. Short sales still current, if any, will be unimportant as to quantity, and the call for wheat on that account will not now

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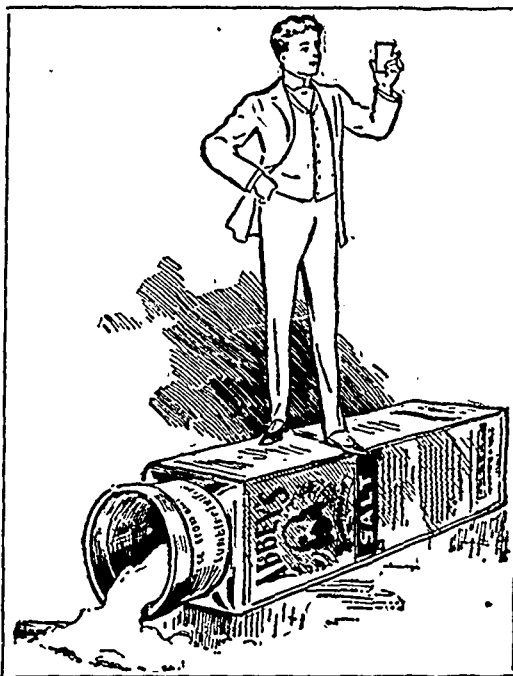
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affect the market to any extent. It is probable therefore that the price of No. 1 hard wheat in this market will now come more into line with its value for flour-making than it has done for some weeks past. This value has been about 90c to 92c in store Fort William, but with the advance in United States markets the last three days No. 1 hard in store Fort William is nominally worth 95c, and will sell at that if outside markets hold the advance they have made.

MILLFEED—The demand keeps good but notwithstanding this, prices have been reduced 50c per ton. We quote bran at \$11.50 and shorts \$13.50 per ton in bulk. Large lots \$1 per ton less.

FLOUR—The market is more regular, the wide range in prices reported last week having disappeared. We quote \$2.55 for patent, \$2.35 for strong bakers, \$1.85 for second bakers, and \$1.25 for XXXX.

GROUND FEED—Ground feed is quoted at \$28 to \$31 per ton, as to quality for oats. Ground corn is held at \$18 to \$19 per ton. A mixed corn feed is quoted at \$23 to \$24 per ton.

CORN—Sales have been made at 43 1-2 to 45c on truck here, per bush. of 56 pounds.

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

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

BUTTER—Creamery—Purchases have mostly been made at about 16c at factories. The make is expected to be large during the next two months, owing to the fine condition of the pastures since the recent rains. Our British Columbia advices this week are dull and easy for butter, but the Montreal market is firm.

BUTTER—Dairy—Values are about the same as a week ago. Round lots of good, fresh quality, will bring 12c here, and we quote 10c to 12c here as to quality, or equal to 11c for good fresh lots in the country. The demand for dairy butter is slow. There is no local demand, as previously reported, as farmers are supplying city retail dealers at low prices, and the British Columbia demand for dairy grades is slow, as a larger quantity of fresh local butter is being offered in British Columbia markets this year than formerly. This indicates that British Columbia farmers are beginning to give more attention to butter, and their local butter, which is put on the market fresh, is preferred to the Manitoba article. Unless our butter is marketed promptly while it is fresh and sweet it will not compete with the local article.

CHEESE—The market has held fairly steady at about the price paid last week, and we again quote 7c to factories. Some factories have made a great mistake by shipping cheese too green this season, and this has created some prejudice against Manitoba cheese in British Columbia markets. The general quality of the Manitoba product shows an improvement over previous years, but this shipping of green cheese has been a great mistake.

EGGS—The market holds steady and firm. Dealers are still paying 11 1-2c net for receipts. The Commercial representative at Vancouver again complains about the poor condition of Manitoba eggs, which have been received in that market. This refers to eggs shipped by country dealers. Eggs forwarded from Winnipeg by regular shippers, are all repacked and candled here before they are shipped

west. Country shippers who send eggs to British Columbia markets should candle them over at this season of the year, before shipping. Another trouble is that eggs are held too long at country points. They should be shipped almost daily during the warm weather. Winnipeg, however, has been a better market for eggs than western towns for merchants at provincial points, especially for broken lot shipments.

DRESSED MEATS—The market holds steady. We quote dressed hogs at 71-1 to 71-2c. Beef is quoted 7 to 7 1-2c Mutton 8c to 9c 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.

VEGETABLES—Prices are: Potatoes, 35 to 40c per bushel; onions, imported Egyptian, 3c per lb.; cabbage, 2c per lb; new 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. cucumbers, 75c dozen.

HIDES—Hides are firm at prices quoted a week ago. We quote green hides, No. 1, 71-2c; 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—Prices hold about the same. We quote 81-2 to 9c for good to choice unwashed Manitoba fleece.

In the United States higher prices has been paid for wool at primary markets than can be obtained for it in the large eastern consuming markets. Collectors will therefore try to obtain higher prices than are now quoted at consuming markets, and it remains to be seen if they succeed in this.

TALLOW—No. 1, 31-2c; No. 2, 21-2 to 3c.

SENECA ROOT—A few small lots have been offered. Buyers are paying 12 1-2 to 15c, and 16c has been paid in some cases.

HAY—Hay was scarce this week. The wet weather has stopped effectually any efforts to cut and cure new hay, which, owing to high prices, was being undertaken earlier than usual. General price, \$11 to \$12 per ton on cars here for baled.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Very little was done in cattle this week, as butchers are fairly well supplied, and as they are looking for a drop in prices they will not lay in any considerable stock ahead. A few good grain fed cattle would find a market at 4 1-4c, and really fine cattle would bring a fraction more. Grass cattle, though hardly fit yet, are beginning to be offered and there will soon be a considerable change in prices. The recent wet weather has retarded the fattening of grass cattle.

SHEEP—Normal this week at 31-2 to 4c off cars here.

HOGS—The market is easy at 5c for the most desirable hogs. Receipts fairly liberal. 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.

Minneapolis Markets.

Compared with a week ago flour is 10c higher, bran \$1 lower, ground feed 50c lower, corn 1c lower, oats 1c lower, barley 2c lower, flax seed 3 1-2c higher, potatoes 5c higher, eggs 1-1c higher, hay \$1 lower.

Flour—Prices in barrels. First patents \$4.80 to \$5; second patents, \$4.65 to \$4.85.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$9.50 to \$9.75; bran in bulk, \$7.50 to \$8; corn feed, \$12.25 to \$13.75 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 29 1-2c for No. 3. Oats—Oats held at 31 1-2c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Feed quoted at 25c. Flax seed—\$1.03 1-2 per bushel.

Eggs—9c. for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 5 1-2 to 6c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 3 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, 5 to 8 1-2c; lambs, 5 to 9c.

Potatoes—Car lots mixed, 30 to 35c; named varieties, 37 to 50c.

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

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

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

Hay—\$4 to \$7 per ton including timothy.

Cattle—Sales: 2 cows, av. 975, \$2.90; 11, av 1,035, \$3.45; 18 stockers, av 821, \$4.10; 2, av 270, \$5.05; 2 heifers, av 285, \$4.05; 2, av 610, \$3.10; 2 bulls av 855, \$3.25; 2 calves, av 140, \$5.85.

Hogs—Sales: 26 hogs, av 252, \$3.70; 25, av. 257, \$3.40; 55, av 734, \$3.65.

Sheep—Sold at \$5.00 to \$5.75 for spring lambs; \$4.00 to \$4.60 for muttons and \$3.25 to \$3.50 for bucks per 100 lbs.



TENDERS.

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Supplying Coal for the Dominion Buildings," will be received at this office until Friday, 22nd July.

Specifications can be seen and form of tender obtained, on and after Friday, the 24th June, at this office, where all necessary information can be had on application.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque equal to ten per cent of amount of the tender (10 p. c.) made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, which will be forfeited if the party decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

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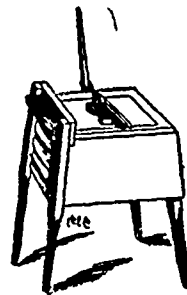
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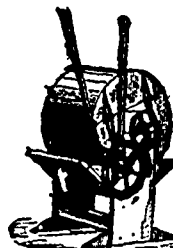
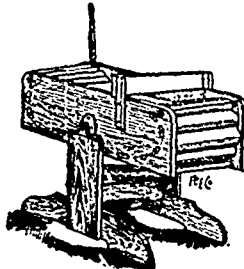
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WHEAT IN CANADA

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

Montreal	177,000
Toronto	20,000
Kingston	7,000
Winnipeg	91,000
Manitoba elevators	675,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	625,000

Total June 18 1,595,000

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 18, were 23,240,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 29,618,000 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 22, was 17,225,000 bushels, being a decrease of 1,864,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 18,794,000 bushels, two years ago 47,060,000 bushels, three years ago 44,561,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago	795,000 bushels
Duluth	3,624,000 "
Minneapolis	7,091,000 "
New York	3,647,000 "
Buffalo	869,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 7,609,000 bushels, compared with 9,035,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 22,424,000 bushels, compared with 16,913,600 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	71,923,590	60,061,430
Milwaukee	9,273,653	7,953,387
Duluth	42,122,955	44,968,500
Chicago	36,770,432	15,133,615

Total 160,095,630 128,146,938

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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	14,554,973	7,269,661
St. Louis	12,226,208	11,457,097
Detroit	4,978,706	3,271,283
Kansas City	29,426,832	7,113,000
Total	61,186,917	29,111,430

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, 70c; No. 2 hard, 67c.
Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$1.95; Bakers, \$1.75.
Bran—Per ton, \$6.
Shorts—Per ton, \$8.
Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 22½c for No. 2 white.
Barley—Feed, 23@24c per bushel.
Butter—Dairy, Shippers buying at 8@10c, and 14@14½c paid for creamery at the factory.
Cheese—6½@7c paid to factories.
Eggs—Fresh selling at 10½@11c.
Beef—City dressed, fresh, 0@7c.
Mutton—6½@8½c.

Hogs—Dressed, 5½@6c.
Cattle—Butchers, 3½@3¾c.
Hogs—Live, off cars, 4½@4¾c for best bacon.
Sheep—3@3¾c off cars here.
Hides—No. 1 green, 6½c.
Wool, 9@10c.
Seneca Root—Dry, 15c.
Poultry—Chickens, 50@55c per pair; turkeys, 9@10c per lb., live.
Potatoes—15@50c per bushel.
Hay—4.50@\$5 per ton.

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BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, July 2, 1898.

Flour is again 50c lower, and hay is tending downward. Meal has a lower tendency. Next quotations likely to be lower. Fresh meats are also tending lower again, though prices were recently dropped 1@1½c. Butter is very dull and considerable local dairy butter is offering.

Butter—Ontario creamery, 19½@20½c; local creamery 21@22c; Eastern dairy, 14@15½c; local dairy, 16@17c.

Eggs—Local, 18@20c; Eastern eggs, 14½c; Manitoba eggs, 14@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—New Potatoes, 1½c per lb; California onions, 1½c; cabbage 2½c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton;

Green Fruits—California lemons 2.25@2.75 box; Navel oranges, 3.75 @ \$4.00; seedling oranges, 1.80@2.25; bananas, bunch \$2.00; California berries, \$1.00 box; strawberries, \$1.20 per crate; apricots, \$1.50; plums, \$1.55 per box; peaches, \$1.40 per box.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$3.05; 245 pounds sacks \$3.10; 42½ pound sacks \$3.30; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50 Oatmeal 10 10's, \$3.25; 250's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.75 per sack.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$6.50; strong bakers \$6.00; Oregon, jobbers price \$5.50.

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—\$15 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7@7½c; mutton 9c; Australian mutton, 7c; pork 9c; veal 9c; Pemican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$4.00 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$4.00 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.50 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.50 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 20c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, July 2.

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$14.00.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.45 @ 1.55; band 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 \$4.37½.

Lead—Pig, 4@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; 1½ in., \$2.80; 2 in., \$2.75.

Zinc—5½c per lb.

Antimony—10½@11c; solder 11½c@12½c.

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 "Gartä," \$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., ½ to ¾ inch, \$1.87 to 2.00; ¾ inch, \$2.15@2.20; 1 inch, \$2.02; 1 inch, \$3.60; 1½ inch, \$4.75; 1½ inch, \$6.20; 2 inch, \$8.30. Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.50@3.80; ¾ inch, \$4.20 @ 4.60; 1 inch, \$5.85@6.20; 1½ inch, \$8.05@8.25; 1½ inch, \$11.00@11.25.

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.

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

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

Herseshoes—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, ½@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, 60 per cent, all sizes; copper rivets, 50.

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 40 and 10@45 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, 11@12c.

New York Stocks.

New York, June 30.—Wall Street — Prices of stocks opened higher all around, but the gains were practically in all cases less than a half. Pullman was a conspicuous exception with a gain of 1-4. The demand for stocks was not notably large. The opening prices were: Sugar 133; Tobacco 119 1-4; General Electric 39 3-8; Peoples' Gas 97 1-4; Burlington 104 3-4; St. Paul 98 5-8; Rock Island 96 3-4; Northwest 125 3-4; Louisville 52; Western Union 93 1-8; Manhattan 104.

The band of the 48th Highlanders, forty-five strong, of Toronto, has been engaged to play at the Winnipeg Industrial exposition and also at the Brandon fair.

The strike of the hands employed by the J. D. King Co., boot and shoe manufacturers, Toronto, has been settled. Part of the men go back immediately, the rest as they are wanted.

Mr. Bedford, superintendent of the experimental farm at Brandon, Man., says the cutting of rye on the farm for fodder will commence this week. It is an excellent crop and was only sown two months ago. It stands now from three to four feet high. The wheat is particularly good and oats promise to be a good average crop. The cutting of the Bromo grass will start next week; it is from three to four feet high. This shows that Manitoba farmers can easily provide plenty of cultivated fodder crop in seasons when the wild prairie hay crop is short.

Intimation

I beg to intimate that I have retired from the firm of Love, McAllister & Co.

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Yours respectfully,

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Winnipeg, 12th March, 1898.

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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.

Chicago, June 27. — The leading futures closed as follows.

Wheat—June 28 3-4, July 73, Sept. 67 1-4, Dec. 67 5-8 to 67 3-4.

Corn—July 31 1-2, Sept. 32 1-4, Dec. 32 3-4.

Oats—July 21 7-8, Sept. 20.

Pork—July \$9.52 1-2, Sept. \$9.67.

Lard—July \$5.55, Sept. \$5.6.

Ribs—July \$5.37 1-2, Sept. \$5.45.

Chicago, June 28.—July opened 71 1-2c, closed 71 5-8c; Sept., closed 66 3-8c; Dec., closed 66 7-8c to 67c; Corn July closed 31 1-8c; Sept., closed 32c.

Oats, June closed 20 3-4c; July closed 20 3-4c; Sept., closed 19 1-2c. Ribs, July, \$5.40; Sept., \$5.50. Pork, July, \$9.47; Sept., \$9.60.

Chicago, June 29.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—June 79 1-2c; July 73 1-4c, Sept. 68 5-8c; Dec. 69 1-8c.

Corn—July 32c; Sept. 32 5-8c; Dec. 33 3-8 to 33 1-2c.

Oats—July 21 7-8c; Sept. 20 1-4c.

Pork—July \$9.47 1-2; Sept. \$9.6 1-2.

Lard—July \$5.37 1-2; Sept. \$5.45 1-2.

Cash quotations were as follows

Flour dull; No. 2 spring wheat, 78 to 80c. No. 3 do. 70 to 80c; No. 2 red, 78 to 79c; No. 2 corn, 31 3-8c to 31 1-2c.

Chicago, June 30.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, June 79c; July, 73c; Sept., 68 1-4c; Dec., 68 1-2 to 5-8c.

Corn, July, 31 1-4c; Sept., 32 1-4c; Dec., 33c.

Oats, July, 21 3-8c; Sept., 20c.

Pork, July, \$9.45; Sept., \$9.65.

Lard, July, \$5.32 1-2; Sept., \$5.45.

Ribs, July, \$5.37 1-2; Sept., \$5.42 1-2.

Chicago, July 1.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—July 76 1-2 to 3-4c; Sept. 70 3-4c; Dec. 70 7-8c.

Corn—July 32 1-8c; Sept. 33c; Dec. 33 5-8c.

Oats—July 21 7-8c; Sept. 20 1-2c.

Pork—July \$9.42 1-2; Sept. \$9.67 1-2.

Lard—July \$5.30; Sept. \$5.45.

Ribs—July \$5.27 1-2; Sept. \$5.42 1-2.

Saturday—Holiday.

New York Wheat.

New York, June 27.—Wheat — Receipts 293,225 bushels, exports 331,855 bushels. Spot steady. No. 2 red 86 afloat, No. 2 red 83 elevator, No. 1 northern Duluth 91 afloat. Options displayed considerable firmness all day and closed about a cent above Saturday's curb prices. They were bought by shorts because of steady cables, bullish weekly statistics, bad domestic and European crop reports and light offerings. No. 2 red July 78 1-8 to 79 1-2, closed 79; Sept. 71 1-2 to 72 5-16, closed 72, Dec. 72 to 72 5-8, closed 72 3-8.

New York, June 28.—Wheat, July, opened 78; closed 77 1-2c; Sept., closed 71 1-4c; Dec., closed 71 3-4c.

New York, June 29.—Wheat — Receipts 107,300 bushels; exports 292,166 bushels. Options strong and moderately active all day. Bull sentiment received encouragement from continued bad crop reports, fair trade, higher cables and unfavorable crop rumors from France; closed strong at

2 to 2 1-2c net advance. July 77 9-16c to 80, closed 80c; Sept. 71 7-16 to 73 5-8c, closed 73 1-4c; Dec. 71 1-16 to 74 1-8, closed 73 3-4c.

New York, June 30.—Wheat, July, opened 80c, closed 79 7-8c; Sept., closed 73 1-2c; Dec., closed 73 1-2c.

New York, July 1. — Flour receipts 19,000; exports 19,067. Wheat receipts 3,700 bushels; exports 575,971 bushels. Options opened steady, but immediately developed strength, which was maintained all day. Continued unfavorable crop news and scarcity of spot offerings were among the bull features that inspired covering. Closed 2 to 3 5-8c net higher. July 79 to 83 3-4c, closed 83 1-2; closed 83 1-2c; Sept. 73 to 75 1-8c, closed 75 1-8c; Dec. 73 1-8 to 75 1-4c, closed 75 1-2c.

Saturday—Holiday.

Toronto Wholesale Trade.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, July 2.

Dry Goods—Business in this branch is less active this week, and few buyers have been in town, consequently houses sales have been smaller. Travellers' orders fair. Cotton hosiery and underwear is scarce and firm, owing to the fact that the mills have been working on woolsens, which pay better. Cashmere hosiery has advanced.

Hardware—Trade fairly good in this branch. Ten to twenty per cent reduction has been made in tacks by manufacturers. Paris green is in active demand and if it continues long this article will likely be very scarce, with higher prices possible before the season closes. Wire nails and fence wire are in active demand. Cut nails less active. Glass is likely to advance early this month. Turpentine is 2c lower.

Groceries—This branch is characterized by increased activity. Sugars in better demand. Canned goods in fair demand. New tomatoes have been contracted for at 65 to 70c. Jobbers quote new peas to arrive at 75c.

London Fur Sales

Following is the report of C. M. Lampson & Co.'s London, June, fur sale

Raccoon, same as March.
Fox, red, same as March.
Fox, white, same as March.
Fox, grey, 15 per cent higher than March.

Marten, 10 per cent higher than March.

Sable, Russian best, 10 per cent lower than March.

Sable, Russian, poor, 10 per cent higher than March.

Mink, same as March.

Lynx, same as March.

Otter, 7 1-2 per cent lower than March.

Beaver, same as January.

Bear, black, same as March.

Bear, brown 20 per cent lower than March.

Bear, grizzly, 12 1-2 per cent lower than March.

Bear, Russian, 12 1-2 per cent lower than March.

Skunk, 7 1-2 per cent lower than March.

Opussum, 15 per cent higher than March.

Cat, wild, 10 per cent lower than March.

Cat, house, same as March.

Badger, 20 per cent lower than March.

Wolf, same as March.
Grebe, 10 per cent higher than March.

Lamb, Thibet, 10 per cent higher than March.

Chinchilla, real, 15 per cent lower than March.

Chinchilla, bastard, 12 1-2 per cent lower than March.

Australian opossum, 10 per cent higher than March.

Wombat, same as March.

Wallaby, Victoria furriers, 25 per cent higher than March.

Wallaby, other kinds, same as March.

Muskrat, spring, 15 per cent lower than January.

Muskrat, fall and winter, 5 per cent lower than January.

Muskrat, black, same as January.

Salted fur seal, Cape Horn, same as in March.

Salted fur seal, Australasian, same as in March.

British Cattle Markets.

London, June 27.—The supplies of all grades of cattle to-day were short, and in consequence the strong feeling which developed in the market last week was fully maintained and prices scored a further advance of 1-4c to 1-2c, with a good trade. Choice American sold at 12c; choice Canadians at 11c, and Argentine at 10 3-4c. Argentine sheep were unchanged at 11 1-2c.

New York Money

New York, July 1.—Money on call 1 1-4 per cent; last loan 1 1-4 per cent; prime mercantile paper 3 to 4 per cent, sterling exchange easier at \$4.85 1-2 to 3-4 for demand, and at \$1.84 1-4 to 1-2 for sixty days; postal rates \$1.85 to \$4.85 1-2, commercial bills \$4.83, silver certificates 58 3-4 to 59 1-2; bar silver 57 3-4; Mexican dollars 45 1-2; government bonds irregular.

Thos. McCrossan, manufacturer of the Manitoba washers, is building a very fine machine to be run by steam or electric power. This machine will be on exhibition at the Winnipeg Industrial. Country merchants might turn in a few good dollars by handling these machines. The ordinary hand family washer is largely used in Winnipeg, and is very highly recommended. The prices are within the reach of all.

The wholesale grocery business carried on in Winnipeg for many years by the well known house of Thompson, Codville & Co., will hereafter be carried on under the firm name of Codville & Co. The partners in the business are J. J. Codville and W. Georjesson, who have been connected with the business since its establishment.

M. Persse, of Tees & Persse, Winnipeg, is on his way to England, and will enjoy a trip at the expense of the manufacturers of Sunlight Soap. The proprietors of this article offered a free trip to the wholesale grocery house in each wholesale centre which disposed of the largest quantity of their goods, and as a result about 125 persons in Canada and the United States are now enjoying a free trip to the Old Country. R. R. Wilson, of Sutherland & Campbell is the fortunate one from Winnipeg. Messrs. Tees & Persse, who represent the English firm in this market, were invited to

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, July 2.
Prices are steady. Thus are firm. Sugars active demand. Molasses quiet. Canned vegetables are easier in anticipation of new pack at lower prices, but in the meantime prices are nominally unchanged. New tomatoes reported offered for future delivery at 75c, and corn at 60 to 65c.

Quotations are: Granulated sugar, standard, 4 3-8c at the refineries; Canadian-German granulated 4 3-16c; yellows, 3 1-2c to 4c; 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 LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, June 28.
Receipts at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 100 cattle, 800 sheep and lambs, 100 calves. At the Grand Trunk yards 100 cattle, 500 hogs. Ocean freight rates have been easier. Space to Liverpool has been let at 32s 6d, to London at 27s 6d, to Bristol at 35s, and to Glasgow at 50s. A good many grass cattle were on the market, but they are not in good shape yet. Shippers paid 4 3-4c to 5c, and butchers 4c to 4 3-4c for good to choice cattle. Common stock 3c to 3 1-2c. Sheep for export account were steady at 3c to 3 1-2c per lb. Lambs \$2 to \$3 each. Hogs were 10c lower at \$4.90 to \$5.10 per 100 lbs.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, July 1.
Offerings at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 706 cattle, 700 sheep and lambs, 200 calves. The local demand for cattle was slow, and values were easier. Prime cattle brought 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c and fair to good 3 1-2 to 4c. Export sheep sold at 3 1-4 to 3 3-4c, and butchers at 2 1-2 to 3 1-4c. Hogs easy at \$4.90 to \$5.10 per 100 lbs.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, July 2.
The grain market has been very dull. Oats are dull and weak, with quotations 2c under a week ago. Flour dull and irregular, and the wide range in quotations of different brands continues. Meal dull and weak. Hides weak. A drop of 1c in green hides is expected next week, as prices have been too high owing to a local fight among buyers. Owing to large receipts, eggs are 1-2c lower. Butter has been fairly active and firm. Creamery is a shade higher for choice fresh make. Cheese is quieter. The cheese cable is 6d lower this week at 36s 6d and in consequence the active buying at firm prices, noticeable at the country boards last week, has cooled down considerably. On Monday the cheese cable advanced 6d to 37s, but declined again later in the week.

Oats—30c per bushel for No. 2 white in store and 31c afloat.

Flour—Manitoba strong bakers, \$5.40 to \$5.70; Manitoba patents, \$5.70 to \$5.90.

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

Outmeal—Rolled oats, \$2 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. Western dairy weak at 13c.
Butter—Creamery, 16 1-2c to 17 1-4c for choice to fancy fresh goods.
Cheese—8c for finest Ontario, and 7 1-2 to 7 3-4c for Quebec goods.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, July 2.
Trade is steady and fairly active. No important changes in prices this week. Rope is active and firm.
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.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, July 2.
The grain trade is very dull and there is no export demand. Ontario wheat is lower. Manitoba wheat weak. Ontario flour 10c lower and Manitoba flour 5c lower per barrel. Eggs 1-2c higher. Dressed hogs 1-4c per lb. lower. Wool is slow. Buyers are indifferent about taking offerings at 16c for washed fleeces. Dairy butter 1-2c lower.
Flour—Manitoba patent, \$5.25; bakers, \$4.85; Ontario straight roller, \$3.90.
Wheat—Ontario winter wheat, 78 to 79c for cars at country points; No. 1 hard, \$1 to \$1.02 Toronto.
Oats—White, 25c for cars at country points.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$13 to \$14 per ton at country points. Brand \$9 per ton.
Outmeal—\$4.10 per barrel for car lots and \$4 in bags.

Eggs—11 to 11 1-2c.
Butter—Dairy—Tulip, 11 to 13c for choice fresh goods; creamery tubs, 16 to 17c; creamery, oricks, 17c to 18c.

Hides—No. 1 green, 9c; cured, 9 to 9 1-2c; sheepskins, 20c for fresh killed; calfskins, 8 to 10c.

Beans—90c to \$1 per bushel.
Wool—Washed fleeces, 19c; unwashed, 10 to 11c.
Dressed hogs—\$6.50 per 100 lbs.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, June 28.
Receipts of live stock of all kinds at the semi-weekly market to-day were 700 carloads, including 1,500 hogs. Trade was dull, and the market was easier. Export cattle were plentiful, but buying was slow. Good cattle brought \$4.50 to \$4.75, export bulls \$3.50 to \$4.

Butchers' cattle, \$3.25 to \$3.75 per cwt for the general run. The best touched 4c lb.

Stockers were easier. Common \$3.50 to \$3.75; choice brought 10c more. Feeders from \$3.75 to \$4.00. Stock bulls, \$3 to \$3.15. Sheep, 2 3-4 to 3 1-2c; bucks, 2 1-2c. Lambs, \$2.75 to \$3.25.

Hogs—Steady at \$5.25 for choice, \$4.75, for thick fat and light fat and \$3 to \$3.50 for sows.

No market on Friday, being a holiday.

CHEESE MARKETS.

Belleville, Ont., June 28. — At the cheese market to-day there was offered 1,545 white and 210 colored cheese; sales, 40 boxes white at 7 1-2c; 7 1-2c was freely offered, but factory-men refused it.

Ingersoll, Ont., June 28.—Offerings to-day, 1,415 boxes; one small lot of 75 boxes sold at 7 5-8c.

FREIGHT RATES.

Freight rates, lake and rail from Chicago has been cancelled and general cutting has resulted. A charter for a cargo of corn to Buffalo was made at 5-8c per bushel, which is a remarkably low rate, equal to a through rate of 6c per 100 lbs. to New York. This will break the recent agreement on an 18 cent all-rail rate to New York.

Through rates from Montreal and common eastern points to the Pacific coast have been advanced about ten per cent. Intermediate points are not affected.

Wheat, Fort William to Buffalo 1 1-2c per bushel.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—July, 83 1-2c; Sept., 68 1-8c.
Tuesday—July, 82 1-4c; Sept., 67 1-2c.

Wednesday—July, 83c; Sept., 69 1-4c.
Thursday—July, 82 1-4c; Sept., 68 7-8c.

Friday—Cash, 83 1-2c; July, 83 1-2c; Sept., 70 3-4c.

Saturday—Holiday.
Cash No. 1 hard closed on Friday at 86 1-2c, and cash No. 1 northern at 83 1-2c.

Last week cash wheat closed at 82c.

A year ago July option closed at 71 3-4c, and two years ago at 56 1-2c, three years ago at 71 1-2c, four years ago at 61 1-2c, and five years ago at 64 1-8c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

On Friday, July 1, No. 1 northern wheat closed at 84 1-2c for July, 69 3-4c for September, and 68 5-8c for December. A week ago July wheat closed at 82 3-4c.

Saturday is a holiday and there is no market.

WOOL.

The fourth series of the colonial wool sales of London, England, on June 28. The bidding was spirited, with fine cross-breeds selling firmly at the rates of the last series. Owing to the scarcity of merinos there was an advance of 5 per cent. for specially scoured. Cape of Good Hope scoured fleeces showed an advance of 1-2d and greasy a farthing higher.

The firm of Whitman, Burley & Co., Portage la Prairie, have dissolved, C. S. B. Burley taking full management.