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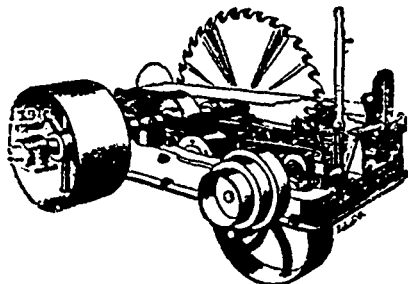
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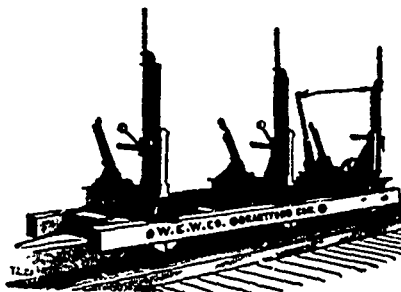
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WINNIPEG, MAY 19, 1900.

## PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

Thursday next, May 24th, being a public holiday, advertisers in The Commercial are requested to send in copy for advertisement changes earlier than usual so as to ensure proper attention being given to them.

## Milling Manager Interviewed.

A Commercial representative interviewed this week Mr. F. W. Thompson, manager of the Ogilvie Milling Company, in the course of which Mr. Thompson said much that was interesting regarding the crops and business situation. Speaking of the crops he said: "Notwithstanding the dry weather, the reports generally are very satisfactory, although rain is much needed in certain localities where the soil is inclined to be light. Within the past two days or more some westerly parts of the province have had moisture. The present cool weather may be considered rather beneficial, the season being so much earlier than usual there might be a tendency towards rank growth but for these necessary checks. While we cannot yet speak positively as to the actual acreage and probable yield, we feel sure that with ordinarily favorable weather and the large increase in acreage which is known to have been sown, there should be a very satisfactory yield of wheat this year."

Asked as to the financial outlook, Mr. Thompson said: "Money is undoubtedly scarce at the present time. As to the cause, it is a little difficult to determine. I imagine much of it is due to the large amount of money which has gone into land. Farmers, during the past year, have largely increased their holdings of land, and the money used in making payments has left a temporary shortage in the ordinary channels. This shows their faith in the country. All our reports say there is an increased acreage under crop this year."

As regards the milling business, Mr. Thompson said: "The demand for flour holds good. All our mills are running full time and turning out more flour than ever before."

## Exhibition Attractions.

Manager F. W. Heubach, of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition association, returned from New York this week, where he has collected a list of attractions for the coming fair. Mr. Heubach says he has secured a number of features which will not be equalled at any other fair on the continent.

## Wheat Supplies Decreasing.

American supplies of wheat fell off to the extent of 9,083,000 bushels during the month of April, the heaviest decrease, by the way, reported in any month for several years past, and more than double the decrease shown in April a year ago, but slightly smaller than the decrease in April, 1898, when the falling off was 10,277,000 bushels. It is, therefore, necessary to go back to the year of golden memory, 1898, to find a depletion of stocks in keeping with that just noted.

The total American stock is the heaviest held at this date since May 1, 1896, being 26,101,000 bushels large, than a year ago, 43,724,000 bushels larger than in 1898 and 26,516,000 bushels larger than in 1897, but 5,758,000 bushels smaller than in 1896 and 12,000,000 to 21,000,000 bushels smaller than at this time in the years 1893 to 1895 inclusive.

Quite a decided tendency toward a decrease in European supplies is indicated, the falling off for the month being 4,500,000 bushels, but the gain since January 1 has been 2,000,000 bushels, and the present stock is larger than at any preceding May 1 for five years past. The combined American and European supply no May 1 makes the following comparisons:

	(000 omitted.)	1900.	1899.	1898.
Jan. 1...	167,477	117,980	132,434	
Feb. 1...	162,390	118,476	127,723	
Mar. 1...	159,654	121,389	118,515	
April 1...	101,597	123,659	114,267	
May 1...	148,014	117,213	95,590	
June 1...	116,267	99,662		
July 1...	119,393	80,304		
Aug. 1...	119,110	69,733		
Sept. 1...	117,169	53,264		
Oct. 1...	135,698	69,128		
Nov. 1...	159,880	86,551		
Dec. 1...	160,465	109,810		

The combined supply it will be seen fell off 13,000,000 bushels during the month of April, as compared with 6,000,000 bushels a year ago in April and 19,000,000 bushels in April, 1898. The following table shows the position of the world's stocks on or about May 1 as compared with April 1 this year and as compared with May 1 last year:

	(000 omitted.)	May 1, 1900.	April 1, 1900.	May 1, 1899.
U. S. and Canada	77,814	86,897	51,713	
Europe and afloat	70,200	74,700	65,500	
Australia	7,500	8,200	7,800	
Argentina	3,680	5,888	5,520	
Totals	159,194	175,685	130,533	

The total world's visible supply, it will be seen, fell off 16,491,000 bushels during the month, every stock-carrying country contributing, against a decrease a year ago of only 4,200,000 bushels, but comparing with a decrease of almost 20,000,000 bushels in April, 1898.

## Bicycle Factory Burned.

The entire plants of the Welland Vale company's works and the Canada Motor and Cycle company's works at St. Catharines, Ont., were destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning. The fire started in the hardening department of the cycle works. The fire throws 500 men out of employment, and means a loss of half a

million dollars. The fire destroyed the large factory building occupied by the Canada Cycle and Motor company, and the whole of the Welland Vale Manufacturing company's shops, with the exception of two store-houses. The Welland Vale company's loss will be about \$200,000, with insurance of about \$85,000. The Canada Cycle and Motor company had an insurance of \$40,000 on the machinery and \$65,000 on its stock.

## London Fur Sales.

The following were the prices realized at the Hudson's Bay Company's sale at London, March 19 to 22, 1900:

Cross Fox.—Yorkfort. Firsts, No. 1, 130; No. 2, 52.6, pale, 34; seconds, 47.4; thirds, 26.3; fourths, 5 shillings. Moose River. Firsts, No. 1, 150; No. 2, 60; pale, 45; seconds, 49; thirds, 31 shillings. Esquimau Bay. Firsts, No. 1, 160; No. 2, 65; seconds, 52.6 shillings. Canada. Firsts, No. 1, 180; No. 2, 51.3; pale, 31; seconds, 43.4; thirds, 26 shillings. Northwest. Firsts, No. 1, 145; No. 2, 52.6; pale, 35; seconds, 41; thirds, 21 shillings.

Red Fox.—Yorkfort. Firsts, dark, 37.6; medium, 34; pale, 34; low, 33; greasy, No. 1, 36; greasy, No. 2, 35; seconds, 26; thirds, 12; fourths, 4 shillings. Moose River. Firsts, dark, 42; medium, 38; pale, 35; low, 36; greasy, No. 1, 38; No. 2, 37; seconds, 30; thirds, 14.3; fourths, 8 shillings. Canada. Firsts, dark, 28.9; medium, 28; pale, 28; low, 24; greasy, No. 1, 30; seconds, 20; thirds, 12; fourths, 7 shillings. Esquimau Bay. Firsts, dark, 48; medium, 44; pale, 40; low, 38; seconds, 37; thirds, 17 shillings. Northwest. Firsts, dark, 52.6; medium, 42; pale, 41; low, 36; seconds, 34; thirds, 14 shillings.

Silver Fox.—Yorkfort. Dark, firsts, 310; middling, firsts, 115; pale, firsts, 67.10; seconds, 28 to 45.4; thirds, 15 pounds. Moose River. Dark, firsts, 340; middling, firsts, 120; pale, firsts, 100; seconds, 53.15; thirds, 20.10 pounds. Canada. Dark, firsts, 75; middling, firsts, 42.10; pale, firsts, 52.10; seconds, 38; thirds, 20 pounds. Esquimau Bay. Dark, firsts, 155; middling, firsts, 100; pale, firsts, 50; seconds, 35; thirds, 22 pounds.

Blue Fox.—Yorkfort. Firsts, No. 1, 120; No. 2, 120; seconds, 75; thirds, 30 shillings.

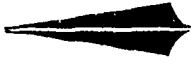
White Fox.—Yorkfort. Firsts, No. 1, 46.9; No. 2, 41; greasy, No. 1, 43; greasy, No. 2, 40; seconds, 36; thirds, 20; fourths, 9.62 shillings. Little Whale River. Firsts, No. 1, 56; No. 2, 40; greasy, No. 1, 42; greasy, No. 2, 40; seconds, 40.8; thirds, 26 shillings. Esquimau Bay. Firsts, No. 1, 68.4; No. 2, 49; greasy, No. 1, 38; seconds, 45; thirds, 29.6 shillings.

Kitt Fox.—Yorkfort. Firsts, No. 1, 7.6 shillings.

Fisher.—Yorkfort. Large, 38.3; small, 42; large, pale, 28; small, pale, 27; seconds, 29; thirds, 18 shillings. Moose River. Large, 39.6; small, 50; large, pale, 30; small, pale, 30; seconds, 30; thirds, 17 shillings. Northwest. Large, 34; small, 43; seconds, 27 shillings. Canada. Large, 37; small, 39.6; small, pale, 28; seconds, 28; thirds, 19 shillings.

Mink.—Yorkfort. Large, firsts, 20; small, 11.4; seconds, 10.7; thirds, 2.8; mixed, 12.9 shillings. Moose River. Large, firsts, 19; small, 10.9; seconds, 8.6; thirds, 2.6 mixed, 6.3 shillings. Canada. Large, firsts, 14.10; small, 10.6; seconds, 8; thirds, 2.9; mixed, 8 shillings. Esquimau Bay. Large, firsts, 19; small, 12.3; seconds, 11.3; thirds, 3.7 shillings. Northwest. Large, firsts, 15; seconds, 8; thirds, 2.11; mixed, 7.9 shillings.

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**Lynx.—Yorkfort.** Large, 41.3; middling, 35; small, 26; large, fine, 50; middling, fine, 43; large, low, 40; middling, low, 34.6; small, low, 27; open, 28; seconds, large, 31.9 seconds, middling, 30; seconds, in the hair, 27; thirds, 15.3; thirds, in the hair, 15 shillings. Moose River. Large, 43; large, fine, 52; middling, fine, 46; small, fine, 34; large, low, 42; middling, low, 38; seconds, large, 30; seconds, in the hair, 25; thirds, 17 shillings. Esquimau Bay. Large fine, 44; seconds, large, 34; thirds, 16 shillings. Canada, large, 40; middling, 34, small, 25; large fine, 44; small fine, 25; large low, 33; middling low, 27.3; seconds, large, 31; middling, 26; seconds, in the hair, 17 shillings. Northwest. Large, 41.6; middling, 31; large fine, 44; middling fine, 36; large low, 37; middling low, 35; seconds, large, 35.6; seconds, small, 30; seconds, in the hair, 36; thirds, 13; thirds, in the hair, 16 shillings.

**Raccoon.—Northwest.** Firsts, 3.9; seconds, 3; thirds, 1.2 shillings. Canada, Firsts, 3.3; seconds, 2.2; thirds, 1.3 shillings.

**Badger.—Yorkfort.** Firsts, 15; seconds, 1.5 shillings.

**Skunk.—Yorkfort.** Firsts, cased, 6.9; open, 6.3; firsts, half open, 5.9; seconds, cased, 4.6; seconds, open, 3.9 shillings. Canada. Firsts, cased, 5.9; open, 6; firsts, half open, 5; seconds, cased, 3; seconds, open, 2.6 shillings.

**Wolverine.—Yorkfort.** Open, 29; cased, 26; seconds, open, 17; cased, 18 shillings. Northwest. Open, 29; cased, 25; seconds, open, 18; seconds, cased, 14 shillings.

**Wolf.—Yorkfort.** Large, 30; small, 21, seconds, large, 19; seconds, small, 17; firsts, white, 52.6; firsts, blue, 30 shillings. Northwest. Large, 17 shillings.

**Muskox.—Yorkfort.** Firsts, 145; small, 52.6; seconds, 35; seconds, small, 36; thirds, 28 shillings.

**Hair Seal.—Little Whale River.** Large, 4.9; middling, 4.6; small, 2.11 shillings.

**Otter.—Yorkfort.** Large firsts, 53.6; brown firsts, 51; small firsts, 40; large seconds, 49; small seconds, 40.3; large thirds, 35; small thirds, 29; cub, 15 shillings. Moose River. Large firsts, 61.3; small firsts, 59; cub firsts, 45; large seconds, 52.6; small seconds, 46; large thirds, 40.10; small thirds, 33; cub, 15 shillings. East Maine. Large firsts, 67.8; small firsts 63, large seconds, 63; small seconds, 52.6. large thirds, 42.4; small thirds, 34, cub, 19 shillings. Esquimau Bay. Large firsts, 67.3; small firsts, 65; large seconds, 62; small seconds, 54.6; large thirds, 44.4; small thirds, 36 shillings. Fort Garry. Large first, 82; large seconds, 69.6; large thirds, 42 shillings. Northwest. Large firsts, 49; large seconds, 50; large thirds, 43.3 shillings. Canada. Large firsts, 56.6; small firsts, 47; large seconds, 52.3; small seconds, 45; large thirds, 40; small thirds, 33; cub, 20 shillings.

**Black Bear.—Yorkfort.** No. 1 rough, 280; No. 1 low, 115; No. 1 woolly, 160; No. 2 rough, 60; No. 2 low, 50; No. 2 woolly, 70.6; thirds, 17; fourths, 7.6; No. 1 small rough, 65; No. 1 small woolly, 75; No. 3 small, 4.6 shillings. Canada No. 1 rough, 170; No. 1 low, 120; No. 1 woolly, 155; No. 2 rough, 58; No. 2 low, 40; No. 2 woolly, 67.6; thirds, 14.8; fourths, 7; No. 1 small rough, 65; No. 1 small woolly, 75; No. 3 small, 6.3 shillings. Northwest. No. 1 rough, 220; No. 1 low, 135; No. 1 woolly, 170; No. 2 rough, 60.6; No. 2 low, 51; No. 2 woolly, 85; thirds, 14.9; fourths, 7; No. 2 small rough, 34; No. 2 small woolly, 39.6; thirds, small, 6.6 shillings.

**Brown Bear.—Northwest.** No. 1 light and dark, 145; No. 1 low, 77.6; No. 1 woolly, light, 87.6; No. 1 woolly, dark, 120; No. 2 rough, light, 43; No. 2 rough, dark, 63; No. 2 woolly, light, 56.4; No. 2 woolly, dark, 77.6; thirds, 12.6; fourths, 2.6 shillings.

**White Bear.—Yorkfort.** No. 1 large, 170; No. 1 middling, 70; No. 1 small, 16 shillings.

**Gray Bear.—No. 1 rough, 135; No. woolly, 55; No. 2 rough, 26; No. 2 woolly, 24; thirds, 13; fourths, 7.6; small, firsts and seconds, 9 shillings.**

### Montreal Fruit Auction.

Koen Lidding, high prices, rapid selling, and a large and avaricious attendance were the predominating features of the first important fruit auction of the season, held yesterday in the Montreal Fruit Auction Company's wareroom, Murray street, says the Gazette. Between fifty and sixty thousand cases of lemons and oranges Messina, Palermo, Catania, Sorrento and Malori, were put under the hammer and hardly a single lot left unsold. The attendance was unusually large, both of United States and Canadian buyers, and the keenest rivalry was evinced in the bidding for the choicest lots. Those in the business state that there is every probability of a scarcity of fruit this year. Prospective shipments and a distinct falling off in the supply as compared with former years. Consequently, competition amongst buyers to obtain a sufficiency is brisker. This, as was apparent at yesterday's sale, reacts upon the market. The average price paid was higher than in former opening sales, and all indications point to an even more advanced scale.

The sale lasted until almost eleven o'clock at night. In all 20,000 boxes of oranges and 39,000 boxes of lemons were disposed of. In oranges there were 524 different lines and in lemons 259. The entire consignment of fruit realized a total of \$111,000, a distinct increase upon all preceding fruit sales in Montreal. The orange market opened strong and remained firm throughout the sale. On the whole this stock was particularly fine, both as to condition and quality. Consequently very high prices ruled throughout. Messina ovals ranged from \$2.50 to \$3.25 for boxes and from \$1 to \$3.10 for half boxes. Sorrentos, which were especially fine both as to condition and quality brought, for boxes from \$2.15 to \$3.15, and for half boxes, \$1.15 to \$2.30. A limited number of long boxes touched \$4.10.

The lemon market was influenced to some extent by the knowledge that a large consignment was on its way from Italy to New York, and opened distinctly weak. Later in the sale, however, it took on a firmer tone. First choice Messinas ranged from \$2.45 to \$3.10; seconds and thirds

from \$1.25 to \$2.25. Best ordinary grades realized from \$2.55 to \$2.70; common grades bringing from \$1.75 to \$2.25. In Sorrentos the best lots brought from \$3.25 to \$3.50, while from \$3.10 to \$3.65 were obtained for Maories.

### Importance of the Hog.

An item next in importance to that of the dairy business is raising hogs. This industry works in well with the other, because of the whey for feed which is returned from the cheese factory. The farmers have found plenty of encouragement in this because it has been profitable, while the demand for bacon seems to be without limit, up to the present time at least. The only precaution needed is to guard against careless or improper feeding, for while the Canadian pork producer has an eager market he has also a very critical one. His future success will depend upon his holding the position now being won, and this cannot be done if the proper feed is not used for the securing of the right class of meat. A practical farmer, in speaking to your correspondent on the subject, referred to the great advantages of feeding barley to hogs. He said that a few years ago, when barley was depressed to 35 and 40 cents per bushel, he began feeding it to his hogs, and by that means realized 75 cents per bushel on the grain, besides having the manure left for his farm. He also spoke of his having fed them wheat.

"Wheat," he said, "is the finest food there is for man or beast. It has all the ingredients necessary to produce bone, flesh and muscle. My method was to grind the grain, then feed it dry to the hogs, afterwards giving them whey or milk as a dessert. I found that from feeding wheat to the hogs I realized \$1 a bushel for it, when pork was quoted at \$5." Such returns as that afford practical proof of the value of these grains as feed for stock. Under these circumstances the gentleman quoted has lost faith in selling grain at low prices and realizes a handsome return by feeding it to his hogs. Peas he considers too strong, unless mixed with some other grains. He added that wheat made the best pork he ever had, and that he had received as high as \$6.50 per hundred for some of it. At that price he received nearly \$1.50 a bushel for wheat. Some farmers, he remarked, consider it wasteful to feed wheat to hogs, but he thought those figures proved it to be otherwise.—Toronto Globe.

### THE DAIRY TRADE

#### THE CHEESE SITUATION.

A local authority says: The cheese situation is unprecedented in the history of cheese making in the province. There is only a little cheese in stock, and what comes of the new make, is picked up at a good price—eleven cents per lb. There is a very heavy make going on, probably the heaviest since 1894. A very large quantity of dairy cheese will also be made this year. Prices are comparatively much lower in British Columbia and Mon treat. Every produce merchant has lost money on cheese shipped to the coast last fall. And there is cheese enough on that market to last until August. Prices are sagging on Montreal on account of the British market being filled with Australian cheese—so we must look for much lower prices in the near future for Manitoba cheese.

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**BUTTER AND CHEESE.**

In the house of commons a few days ago, Mr. McLaren, of Perth, Ont., who is largely interested in the manufacture of cheese, showed that while the manufacture and export of butter had remained comparatively stationary since 1868, that of cheese had gone ahead by leaps and bounds. The reason butter exportation had not more largely increased was because bad butter was made. He advocated the making of butter in factories in a uniform way. If this was done he prophesied that in ten years \$20,000,000 worth of butter would be made annually in Canada, and that the combined annual manufacture of cheese, butter and condensed milk would be \$50,000,000. Butter had begun to be made in factories, and as a result 8,925,408 lbs. more had been made in 1899 than in 1898, and \$1,610,457, worth more shipped to Great Britain.

**DAIRY TRADE NOTES.**

The Campbellford, Ontario, cheese board held its first meeting of this season on May 8. No sales were made market being very weak.

An advice from Ingersoll, Ontario, dated May 8, reported the cheese market that day as follows: "The first cheese board of the season here proved a very tame affair, though there was a fair attendance of buyers and sellers. The offerings were 600 boxes, first week of May, of which only 65 were white, the bulk being colored. There were two bids of 10 1-2c. Salesmen would not accept and the board closed without any sales. Afterwards on the street, all could have sold at the same price, and some did so, but the majority were in no hurry about selling. All the April make in this section has been sold at 11c."

Reporting the Montreal butter market of last week the Trade Bulletin said: "The market has ruled firm since our last report, with further sales of choice creamery at 17c to 17 1-4 in good sized lots. A lot of over 60 packages was sold yesterday at 17 1-4c and a lot of 80 packages at 17c. Seconds have sold at 16c to 16 1-2c. One or two lots of choices have gone over to Great Britain as samples, but shipments are not expected to be large until the grass goods come in, which will be shortly. A few jobbing lots of Eastern Townships dairy have sold at 15c to 15 1-2c this afternoon, a very choice lot bringing 16c. Fresh western dairy has sold at 14c to 14 1-2c. Speaking of cheese the same paper said: "The market is again well cleared of stock, and although there are goods going out by this week's steamers costing from 11 1-8 to 11 1-2c for western, the same class of goods have been bought within the past day or two at 11c to 11 1-8c for white, and 10 3-4 to 10 7-8c for colored, while sales of eastern have been made at 10 1-2 to 10 3-4. A lot of eastern colored sold to-day at 10 1-2c, but they were small cheese."

**Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.**

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

- Wheat—No. 1 hard wheat closed at 73 1-2 to 73 3-4c Fort William.
- Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$1.80; best bakers', \$1.60.
- Oatmeal—\$1.85 per 80 pound sack of Manitoba meal.
- Millets—Bran, \$10 per ton; shorts, \$12; delivered to city dealers.
- Oats—Carlots on track, 37 to 40c, according to grade.
- Barley—35 to 37c per bushel.

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- Dressed Meats—Fresh killed beef, 6 1-2 to 7 1-2c; fresh killed mutton, 9 to 10c; hogs, 6 to 6 1-2c; veal, 7 to 8c; spring lamb, \$4 to \$5 per carcass.
- Live Stock—Cattle, 4 to 5c for choice steers; stockers, \$12 to \$16 for yearlings; sheep, 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c; hogs, 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c off cars for selected weights.

The ice trust in New York has cornered ice, and advanced prices to 60c per 100 lbs., or double last year's price.

The latest thing in trusts, according to the Hamilton Spectator, is a consolidation of the stove foundries of the Dominion. It is understood, it says, that a syndicate of Americans is now dickering for the amalgamation of the foundries in Hamilton, Toronto, London, Brantford, Woodstock, and other places. The projectors will leave intact the foundries in Hamilton, making it the centre of the trust's operations, and working only five concerns outside of that city.

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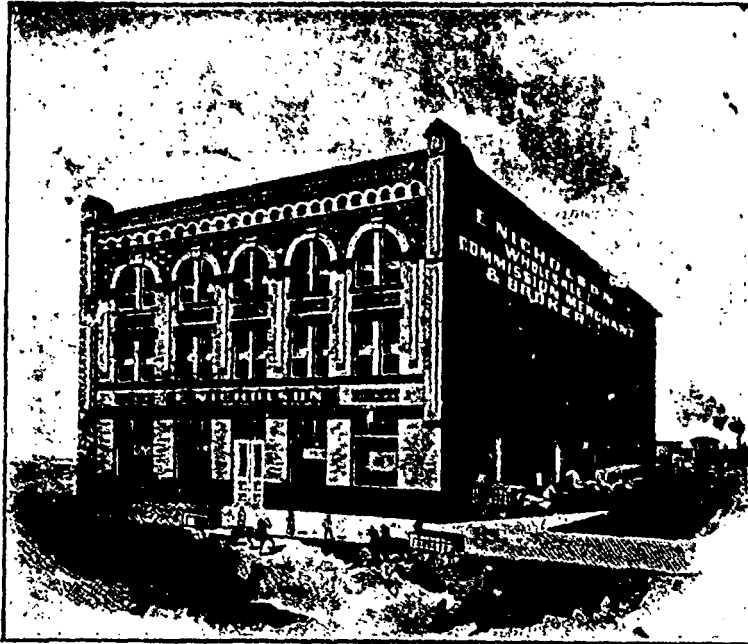
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Statistical Wheat Report.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

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

Montreal	193,000
Toronto	28,000
Kingston	60,000
Coteau, Que.	111,000
Depot Harbor, Ont.	241,000
Winnipeg	350,000
Manitoba elevators	1,000,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Koovalin	3,810,000

Total May 5	8,993,000
Total previous week	9,303,000
Total a year ago	9,156,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's May 6, were 67,268,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 45,814,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on May 1 were 7,030,000 bushels, compared with 5,928,000 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 May 12 was 17,621,000 bushels, being a decrease of 2,204,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 26,028,000 bushels, two years ago 22,001,000 bushels, three years ago 26,737,000 bushels, and four years ago 53,146,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 7,248,000 bushels, compared with 7,685,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 16,175,000 bushels, compared with 19,140,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe and wheat for Europe May 1, in each year, for a series of years, were as follows—Bradstreet's report:

	Bushels.
1906	148,014,000
1899	117,213,000
1898	95,590,000
1897	107,198,000
1896	146,682,000
1895	172,099,000

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 movement, Aug. 1, 1899, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop.	Last crop.
Minneapolis	72,023 654	76,513 986
Milwaukee	3,076,792	11,378 606
Duluth	46,590,683	65,001 421
Chicago	21,734,828	31,069 098

Total ... 150,015,957 184,163 811

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1899, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop.	Last crop.
Toledo	10,891,802	12,410 414
St. Louis	8,568,489	13,446 385
Detroit	3,567,107	4,753 730
Kansas City	13,895,640	24,537 343

Total ... 36,712,938 55,147 878

The outlook for summer coal trade is regarded as good by United States mine owners. The new summer circular, which went into effect the first of this month, showing prices 25c. lower than heretofore on anthracite, is proving very satisfactory to both buyers and sellers, and is partly the cause of the present demand. Broken coal is now worth \$5.00 at point of shipment.

Railway and Traffic Matters.

Tracklaying on the Phoenix spur, Boundary Creek district, B. C., recommenced on Friday morning last. The first work is putting down the iron to the Golden Crown mine, after which the rails will be laid direct into Phoenix, to the Old Ironsides and Knob Hill mines.

The following circular was issued on the 14th inst. at Montreal by T. G. Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company: "Walter R. Baker is appointed executive agent in Manitoba and Northwest Territories in connection with matters outside of the operation of the railway and the construction and land departments. His duties will be designated by the president." Mr. Baker was formerly general manager of the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway Company, which position has ceased to exist owing to the absorption of the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway by the Canadian Pacific Railway system.

Still another government railway is being asked for in Manitoba. A large deputation from the country between Morris and Carberry waited on the government on Wednesday evening to urge the construction of a road between those two places. The proposed line would run in a northwesterly direction from Morris through Morris, Dufferin, South Norfolk, North Norfolk and North Cypress counties to Carberry passing through Bates district and touching at Carman, Trehermo and Arizona. The scheme also embraces a line to run from Carberry northwesterly to Neepawa and from Oleron westerly. The government promised to consider the matter.

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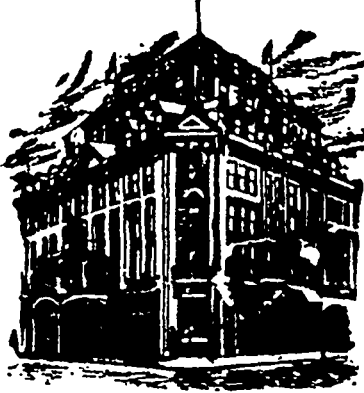
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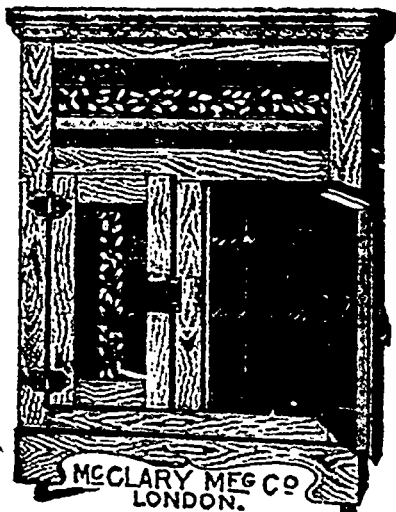
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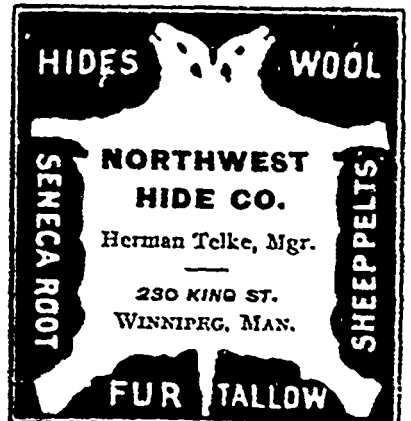
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All fur traded in the Peace, Athabasca and Mackenzie districts must of necessity come to Edmonton for sale or shipment east. At Lac la Biche, 160 miles northeast of Edmonton, are several traders who have outposts at Portage la Loche and draw in considerable fur from that section of country, which is all sold in Edmonton. The past season a conservative estimate of the fur sale of Edmonton would not be less than \$200,000. Besides all the furs traded by the H. B. Co. at their posts in the Edmonton district, as well as all from their posts in the Peace, Athabasca and Mackenzie river districts are brought here for shipment to London.

Large as is the present amount of fur brought in from all parts of the country, it is quite possible and probable that it will be exceeded in the future. At present the Indians are obliged to hunt where they can kill moose, caribou or reindeer. With improved and cheaper transport to the north, fowl and bacon will be cheaper, and even an Indian to be more independent of game and fish than at present, and to hunt parts of the country where at present no one hunts. White trappers who can live on a small stock of provisions (as compared with a large family and a big bunch of dogs) will establish themselves throughout the country, and, as some few are doing at present, earn good wages by killing fur. The north country is not by any means over-trapped as yet; it is a big country with very few people in it. The Indians of the north do not at present kill half the fur they might do if they devoted all their time to it. The greater part of the winter they are busy hunting for something to eat, in the coldest weather they keep in their camp if they can, and it is only towards spring that they give their attention in earnest to the killing of fur. Where traders are numerous and competition keen, the Indian hunts more, goods are brought to his camp all through the winter, and he is induced to work harder than those Indians who only come into a trading post twice a year.

Until the past two years the northern posts of the Hudson's Bay Company, on the Mackenzie, have not been tapped by the traders, but now that Messrs. Nagle & Hislop, traders at Great Slave lake, have a good steamer on the Mackenzie, and William Connor, another, we may expect a much larger output of fur from that part of the country as the Indians, seeing more goods, will kill fur to buy them. Up to the present date the supply of goods

was scarcely sufficient to pay for the fur they did kill.

Beaver can be killed out of a country in a short time, as has been done in Peace river, but with other fur it is different. If fires are kept down and not allowed to run, the north will furnish furs for many a year to come. One fire will destroy more fur-bearing animals in the country it passes through than a good-sized tribe of Indians would kill in years.

The furs brought into Edmonton are badger, black, brown and grizzly bear, and castorine, ermine, fisher, cross, red, silver, black, white and kitt foxes, lynx, marten, muskrat, otter skunk, wolverine, timber, barren ground brush and prairie wolf, weenicks and musk ox. The last named come principally from Fort Resolution, on Great Slave lake. Messrs. Melougal and Secord who handle all that come to Edmonton, have generally a nice assortment of these robes on hand.

The fur season opens the 15th of October, when muskrat and skunk begin to come in, but furs in general are not killed before the 1st of November. Traders from outside points come in about Christmas and New Year's, and from then all through the winter there is fur coming in. The real fur season, the time when the town is given up to the fur traders and their men, when every one in town, from the ferrymen, who crosses you on the scow on your way over from the station, to the girl who brings you your porridge at the breakfast table next morning at the hotel, talks of furs and of the fur traders; when the man who does not know an ermine skin from a China goat will buttonhole you and ask you whether, in your opinion, a certain black fox brought in by some trader is not a little doggy on the back. This season opens about the 1st of June, and lasts pretty well all through August, when he gets in with his fur. During that time there are but few days when some lot of fur is not put up for sale.

packs of fur, secures some wareroom where he can open them, and calls in all the fur buyers in town to examine them. Each buyer makes his assortment and values the lot. When all have looked over the lot they meet together, each buyer makes out his bid on a piece of paper and hands it to the owner of the fur, who opens the bids, calling out the name of each buyer and the amount of the bid, and the fur goes to the highest offer. The lucky man smiles and hunts for a drayman, while the disappointed ones retire, trying to look cheerful, and console themselves by making calculations as to the amount of money the man who bought the fur stands to lose. Lots run from a few dollars to as high as \$20,000, and, as a rule, the bids are very close; sometimes a tie occurs, when a quarter is tossed to decide the matter.

As soon as a trader gets the buyers men, who, after a trip, are badly in at work he proceeds to pay off his want of a new rigout, and this they get as soon as possible before taking in the sights of the town. First and foremost an absolutely indispensable article in their outfit is a cowboy hat. No cheap imitation, but a genuine Stetson, costing from \$6 to \$8. Next will come a white shirt and a fancy tie, a black cloth coat and vest, and a pair of shepherd's plaid trousers. A white pocket-handkerchief and a pair of boots completes the outfit. If the boots squeak loudly, the northern In-

dian tripman is quite happy. An old resident has only to catch sight of one of these men in his new clothes to know that the traders have arrived.—Edmonton Bulletin.

Strong protests are being made to the Dominion government by Canadian manufacturers of woolen and cotton goods, cutlery, etc., against the increase of the tariff preference in British imports of like character.

Owing to the low state of the water in the streams of northern Minnesota, the saw mills from Minneapolis north are unable to secure supplies of logs in many cases. Unless heavy rains are experienced soon, some of the mills will be obliged to close down.

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## THE LUMBER TRADE.

## LOG FAMINE THREATENED.

White pine manufacturers of Minnesota, and to a less degree of Wisconsin, are showing considerable concern at the lack of water with which to float down the timber. They had planned for a heavy output this year, in the full confidence that the market would take at prevailing prices all they could produce. They have had no occasion to change their opinion, for while there is a degree of weakness in some other woods there was no indication that the supply of white pine would be in excess of an amount which could be readily disposed of. To find, therefore, that there is real danger, that a considerable percentage of the winter's cut will be irremediably hung up is a serious blow to their plans and hopes. It is by no means certain that good drivers will not yet be made; there may be general rains throughout the northwest which will put the creeks and rivers at a driving stage and hold them there long enough to bring down the logs, and there may be floods which will break up the roll ways; but so far conditions have been very unsatisfactory and there are hundreds of millions of feet of logs, many of them in their original positions, which will require either a stage of water unusual for the season or especial labor and expense to get them out. In the meantime they are in danger of being destroyed by fire.—American Lumberman.

## LUMBER TRADE NOTES.

Minneapolis lumber mills expect to have to close down in a few days owing to scarcity of logs due to low water.

Labor troubles in Chicago and other western cities of the United States still disturb to a large extent the lumber markets.

Wisconsin hemlock timber manufacturers at a recent meeting re-affirmed their former price list. The market for this lumber is quiet at present.

A wire from Ottawa of May 15, said: "A bush fire two miles wide is raging east of Chapleau on the C. P. R. main line. It is irresistibly sweeping everything before it. Other big fires are burning near Lac Poulin, doing great damage to timber lands.

The new lumbering town of Fisher in the state of Michigan, was the scene of a large fire early this week which is reported to have practically wiped out the place. A quantity of lumber was destroyed besides mill premises and the homes of inhabitants.

The red cedar of the Pacific coast is a wonder of long-vivacy, says the Canadian Lumberman. John Muir, the famous scientist, says he believes that most of the large cedars are 2,000 or more years old. Not only that, but they grow in the most unpropitious positions, on practically bare, glacier polished rock and at elevations where most other trees will not grow. In such places the growth is slow and they may be small, but as Prof. Muir expresses it, "they stand out separately and independent in the wind, living mainly on snow and thin air and maintaining tough health on this sort for at least 2,000 years, every feature and gesture suggesting steadfast and dogged endurance."

J. C. Kelly, of the H. B. Co.'s service, Edmonton, Alb., has resigned to enter business for himself in Ontario.

## MINING MATTERS

## BRITISH COLUMBIA.

A new mining company to be called the Alhambra Mining Company, Ltd., will be organized at Nelson. Four claims on Eagle creek, adjoining the Granite Mines, known as the Toronto, Viking, Maggi and Champion claims will be operated by the company.

The Grand Forks board of trade is negotiating with Andrew Laddlaw, of Spokane, and R. R. Armit, of Nelson, B. C., in regard to the establishment of a Loder pyritic smelter and ore sampling works at Grand Forks. J. P. Graves has offered a site of 20 acres.

The Knob Hill Mining Company in the Phoenix camp, have purchased a ten-drill compressor, two 80-horse power boilers and two 50-horse power hoists from the Jencks Machine Company. This will give the Knob Hill Company a total capacity of 30 drills. It is stated that the present plant will be used only for a few months and then it is to be replaced by a 50-drill compressor.

## NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO.

The Hammond Reef mine, Upper Seine River district, is now equipped with a double stamp mill.

At the annual meeting of the Mikado Gold Mining Company in London, England, on Friday, April 27, the chairman of the company, Mr. James Reid, made a very interesting and important statement regarding the mine and its prospects. In the course of his remarks Mr. Reid said: "The mill has been running day and night for two and a half years, and in that time has produced over 150,000 worth of gold, nearly the whole of which, besides the £15,000 working capital, has been invested in developing the property, providing buildings, buying machinery and plant and paying wages and all other charges in Canada and London. Fortunately, the Mikado was a gold-producer almost from the start; otherwise we would have had to provide large sums from time to time to carry on the work. It is a great pity that Ontario as a gold field is not better known here. There are many properties in the Lake of the Woods district, Ontario, being brought to the paying stage, and there are many others of great promise waiting for the necessary capital to work them. I am satisfied that the district is bound to become popular in the near future, as it is highly favored in every way for water, fuel and railway and steamboat communication."

## MISCELLANEOUS.

The famous Treadwell mine on Douglas Island, Alaska, is to be still further enlarged before the close of the year. Preparations are in progress for the addition of 210 stamps, increasing the total stamp capacity to 1,120. The enlargement involves an expenditure of \$750,000. This portion of the work will be completed by May 10th, and the stamp mill addition will probably be on the ground and in operation by Nov. 1. The Treadwell has now the greatest number of stamps in operation of any mine in the world.

R. A. Wylie returned to Winnipeg on Saturday last from a visit to the east.

W. P. Sweatman, of the New York Mutual Life Insurance Co., left for the east on Wednesday on business.

## THE IMPLEMENT TRADE

## THE TWINE MARKET.

There has been no development the past week affecting the general condition of the twine market. The situation in all important respects is practically the same as it has been for a fortnight. Nearly all sellers actively canvassing for trade are obtaining some orders—not the quantity they desire, or their efforts justify, but enough to keep the market from lapsing into a state of absolute quietude. The manufacturers who produce and the jobber who sells twine that bears a reputation for quality are not less successful in obtaining orders even though their prices are the highest asked. These houses have been threatened with many prospective cancellations as a result of the lower prices quoted by some other sellers; but up to this time an astonishingly small amount of business has been lost. When asked to meet cut prices or cancelled orders, the latter alternative is chosen, and in nearly every case the order, after mature deliberation on the part of the dealer, is reinstated. In the light of the general situation, including the reports of short hemp and rejected twine, the low prices excite suspicion.

While it is not true that all sellers whose reputation for handling good twine is secure, are holding firmly to the original price, it may be assumed with certainty that those who are maintaining that price are willing to compare quality with any. This cannot be said of all who are offering twine at cut rates.

The low prices seem to be most prevalent in the southwest, yet the amount of business now being transacted in that section is said to be no greater than that of the northwest; in fact some of the leading sellers report the bulk of their orders for the past week as coming from the northwest.

Sisal hemp shows further weakness; the price of spot fiber is now 5-8 of a cent below the November figure and for shipment 7-8 to 1c below. Buying is light, indicating that the bulk of the stock to be used this season has already been contracted for. The absence of buyers accounts for the weakness; any tendency towards buying would probably send the price upward again.

All indications point to an ample supply of twine—not a great surplus, but enough. The sellers, unwilling to vary from the original scale, express confidence in the outcome, believing that their stocks will all be required before harvest is ended.—Farm Implement News.

## IMPLEMENT TRADE NOTES.

The Massey-Harris Company have contributed \$1,000 to the Ottawa-Hull fire relief fund.

The Frost & Wood Co. intend carrying out some very extensive improvements and additions to their works in Smith's Falls, Ont., during the coming summer. The company's output this year will be the largest in its history, and nearly 400 hands are now employed in the shops.

N. Bawls has returned to Winnipeg from the south greatly benefitted in health. Mr. Bawls went to Arkansas.

G. V. Hastings, manager of the Lake of the Woods Mining company, Winnipeg, has returned from Hot Springs, Ark., where he has been to recuperate his health, and is greatly benefitted by his trip.

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## THE GROCERY TRADE.

## TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING.

D. Morton & Sons, soap manufacturers, Hamilton, Ont., have written a letter in which they protest in the interest of all the soap makers in Canada against the valuable concessions proposed to be granted by the city of Toronto by Messrs. Lever Bros., a large English soap manufacturing concern. They show that Messrs. Lever Bros. propose to establish works in Toronto with a capacity to produce a million pounds of soap per week, and that the estimated consumption of laundry soap in Canada is one pound per week per family of five, so that the English concern propose making enough soap to supply the entire population of this country. Messrs. Morton says that there are enough soap works in Canada to supply the demands of the whole country, fifteen within a radius of 100 miles of Toronto, none of which are bonused to the extent proposed by Toronto to Lever Bros. The imports of laundry soap into Canada last year amounted to 3,568,862 pounds valued at \$174,220, and the exports of Canadian soap during the same term amounted to 375,746 pounds, valued at \$18,819.

## COCOA AND CHOCOLATE.

The consumption of cocoa and chocolate is increasing at a rate which proves the change of these articles from luxuries to household necessities. This has been brought about through constant efforts at perfection and the upholding of prices, rather than in the substitution of adulterations which, in the case of many meritorious commodities, has worked to their ruin. Both chocolate and cocoa are made from crude cocoa, the fruit of the cocoa tree, a sub-tropical plant. Though closely allied as to constituents, custom and method of manufacture have given to cocoa and chocolate a separate use in the household economy. Cocoa, otherwise chocolate with the excess of oil extracted, is consumed almost entirely as a beverage; while chocolate, though to some extent used for making drinks, finds its greatest distribution as a confection and a flavoring essence. Ecuador is the largest producer, exporting 35,500,000 pounds. Trinidad is second with 22,000,000 pounds, and Venezuela furnishes nearly 15,000,000 pounds. Other countries from which supplies are obtained are: Grenada, Hayti, Cuba, Ceylon, Para, Bahla, Surinam, Martinique, Guadeloupe, Java, Dominica, St. Lucia, Jamaica, and Africa. The African crop is estimated at over 17,000,000 pounds yearly. The estimated consumption in Europe is 102,000,000 pounds.—Montreal Journal of Commerce.

## MOLASSES MARKET.

According to mail advices received from Barbadoes a stronger feeling has developed in the molasses market, and the first cost price has advanced 1c per gallon to 19c, but up to the time of writing no cables have come to hand confirming the above. They also state that the shipments so far this season have been 10,000 puncheons and that there is not more than that quantity yet to be sold. A further advance is expected soon as New York, St. John's, Newfoundland and Halifax are still buying. At 19c first cost would mean 35c laid down here ex wharf. There has been some demand from local buyers for new crop Barbadoes as it is reported

that four vessels in all have cleared for Montreal, consequently further sales of two cargoes have taken place. Other sales of small lots aggregating 200 puncheons have been made to arrive at a price understood to be 37 1/2c ex wharf here.—Montreal Gazette.

## GROCERY TRADE NOTES.

The almond crop of California has been damaged by frost.

The Ontario market is said to be almost bare of canned corn.

Prices of California raisins to the jobbing trade dropped about 1c per pound this week.

New crop rice is now in the Canadian market, and is meeting with a fairly active demand.

The new crop of Sultan raisins promises to be a very fine one according to latest advices.

The potato markets of the North-western States are becoming much weaker owing to heavy receipts.

It is expected that prices on new pack California canned fruits will be made by factories about the middle of June.

California cherries are now in the market and show good quality, but the price is high owing to transportation expense.

Oranges have gone up 20c per case this week to the jobbing trade. This applies particularly to Med. sweets. Stocks are scarce and prices advancing.

California cherries are arriving in Winnipeg freely now and fruit men say they show extra good quality. They sell at \$2.50 per box of ten pounds.

Rio coffee shows an easier tendency at New York, but at Rio prices are relatively much higher, so that the probable course of prices is a puzzle to the trade.

The opening price for Fraser river sockeye salmon this season is \$5 per case in tin cans l. o. b. coast. The above figure is fifty cents per case higher than the opening price a year ago.

Tapoca is 1-1c lower to the jobbing trade. This decline is not so much due to weakness in the market as to the fact that the quotation has been too high in the past compared with primary prices.

Winnipeg jobbers are now supplying their wants in the line of fibre, and woodenware and matches from the United States. Fibre and woodenware can be laid down here at about the old prices, but matches are costing more, as the advance of 7c per case made last week shows.

Trade in strawberries both here and in the south is becoming quite large owing to the fact that the crop belt is steadily moving north and the quality of the berries improving. Prices are also lower, choice berries being obtainable in Winnipeg now in a wholesale way at \$4.00 per box.

Concerning the situation in currants the Hills Bros. Company say: "In Greece there is no change in quotations, prices ruling at about the parity of this market. Total shipments to April 1 to all consuming countries are reported as 107,036 tons, comparing with 115,912 tons to the same date last year. Remaining stocks are estimated at 15,000 tons. The new crop appears to be going on well. Our friends writing under date of April

10 say as follows: "The most dangerous period for the development of the disease poronosporos is from the second half of May to the first half of June." In view of the unusually large rainfall during the winter some shippers claim that the prospect for damage by fogs, etc., during the next few weeks is greater than usual."

## Dry Goods Trade Notes.

In the line of fall dress goods a new and popular material this year is to be zebiline, a new fabric of camel's hair design. Plaids will also be strong again.

Jobbers in eastern Canada have found their trade in carpets much curtailed this year, owing to the backward state of the weather, which retards house-cleaning operations.

Dress goods are meeting with a fair demand in eastern jobbing centres. Plaques are in good demand. Crashes for warm weather wear are selling well. Black alpacas, figured and plain, are promising to be good sellers this year, and so also are serges.

Ontario dry goods merchants find trade set back considerably by cool weather. The season there has been backward throughout, and trade has suffered in consequence. This is not the case in Manitoba, where the weather has been much in advance of ordinary seasons.

There has been a further advance in the prices of Canadian-made table and floor cloths. The advance is 5 per cent. This makes the third advance since the first of the year, and the fourth advance in these goods during the past year. That is a total advance of 20 per cent. in the Canadian goods. The British goods have been advanced 25 per cent. in the same time. The Canadian mills are very busy, and, far from grumbling at the prices now asked, dealers are very glad to get the goods and cheerfully pay the prices asked, taking delivery as soon as they can be accommodated. The cause of the advance has been the rise in the cost of the raw materials. Oil is double the price it was a year ago, and very scarce and dearer. Labor is higher than it was a year ago. The Canadian mills are making some very slightly and durable goods now.—Globe.

## Hardware Trade Notes.

Tar paper advanced 5c per roll here a few days ago.

Rope dropped 1c per pound at the factories on Thursday.

Turpentine prices continue weak at primary points. At Montreal prices declined another 4c last week.

The market for pig tin in Canada is very much unsettled owing to weakness in London and New York.

Recent advices from London, England, report a very firm market for manilla hemp and prices still have an upward tendency.

The destruction of the factories at St. Catharines this week will make J-arvest tools very scarce in Canada for a while as that was the principal source of supply.

The destruction of the Welland Vale factories at St. Catharines, Ontario, is likely to create a scarcity of axe heads as that concern manufactured most of the axes used in Canada.

John V. Gates, chairman of the board of directors of the American Steel and Wire Company, and John Lambert, president of the company, have been obliged to resign owing to the feeling against them over the recent slump in prices. They remain



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Linseed oil prices continue very firm and high both in America and England. Calcutta flaxseed is reported to have sold in England the last week in April at 51s, which figure has not been attained before in 25 years.

To meet competition from the United States, Canadian lock manufacturers have been obliged to reduce their prices. The discount on Canadian locks at the factories is now 33.1-3 per cent as against 27.1-2 per cent before.

The recent sharp rise in linseed oil prices came as a surprise to the Canadian paint trade. It usually occurs that after the opening of St. Lawrence navigation permitting direct shipments to Montreal, prices ease off a little and the trade looked for this to occur again this year. The scarcity in England and very heavy spring demand has, however, more than counteracted the effect of the navigation opening.

Following were last week's quotations for naval stores at Montreal as given by the Gazette: Turpentine, 72c to 73c; resins, \$2.75 to \$4.50 as to brand; coal tar, \$8 to \$8.50; cotton waste, 4.1-2c to 5.1-2c for white; oakum, 5.1-2c to 6.1-2c, and cotton oakum, 9c to 11c. Cordage—Jobbing prices for Manila are, 16c to 16.1-2c for 7-16 and up; 17c for 3 S, and 17.1-2c for 1-4, and 5-16. Sisal, 13.1-2c to 14c for 7-16 and up; 14.1-2c for 3-8, and 15c for 1-4 and 5-16.

As a result of the refusal of John W. Gates, chairman of the board of directors of The American Steel and Wire Co., to resign two of the directors have handed in their resignations. Gates is accused of manipulating the operations of the company for stock-jobbing purposes. He is at present being tried before a New York magistrate on the charge of violating the criminal code by making false statements regarding the affairs of the company.

The unsteadiness imparted to the iron and steel markets by the extraordinary action of the American Steel and Wire Company a few weeks ago in cutting prices \$20 per ton on wire nails and fence wire is still a prominent factor in the situation. The uneasiness resulting from the drop has checked consumption and given buyers in many quarters a decidedly panicky feeling. Pig iron prices are now lower in the east and so also are quotations for steel and iron bars. Hoops and bands are off at Pittsburg. Cut nails are reduced 45c per keg at United States factories. These things have not been without their effect on British iron and steel markets also and while conditions there remain for the most part unchanged the danger of competition as a result of United States over production is causing manufacturers some anxiety.

### An Intermediate Trophy.

Admirers of the great national game of lacrosse will be pleased to learn that Thos. Lecoligar manufacturer, Winnipeg, and a thorough sportsman, has donated a cup valued at \$50 for the intermediate championship of the W. L. C. A. The trophy offered is for perpetual competition among the intermediate teams competing for the championship of the association. This year there are fourteen teams, covering territory from Winnipeg to the western boundaries of the province, taking part in the series of games, which promise to be the most interesting in the history of the associa-

tion. The action of Mr. Leo in presenting this trophy will be greatly appreciated by lacrosse enthusiasts throughout the province, and especially in the country districts, where, from present indications, it is more than likely the cup will sojourn next winter. The donation of this trophy will doubtless serve to boom lacrosse in places where hitherto there has been no incentive to active participation in the game, and will greatly encourage the younger players in their efforts to win laurels for their club. Accordingly it will materially aid good lacrosse, and serve to keep up the standard of the national game. Under the rules of the donation the cup will be held by the team winning the series of games, until the championship of the following year has been decided, and subject to such other conditions that the association may deem advisable in the interests of the game. To further stimulate interest in the game and to appropriately crown Mr. Leo's generosity, it is expected that a set of 12 medals will also be donated by some other devotee of the game, a medal to go to each man on the team winning the championship.

### Freight Rates.

A dispatch from Duluth says: Because of the success of a plan to fix a low lake freight rate on iron ore, engineered by the Rockefeller interests last winter, rates are likely to drop so far that the season charters of those in this scheme will be higher than the current rates. There are 2,000,000 tons more than can be used in the ore traffic, and it will be necessary to fall back on the grain and other lines. The result will be to force down the grain rate, which was high because so much tonnage had gone. It was supposed, into the ore traffic. This will in turn lower the ore rate and possibly cut so deep that Rockefeller will be paying more for ports than those who made no season charters.

### Grain and Milling Notes.

Correspondents of eastern papers writing on the crops in Manitoba place the increase in wheat acreage at from 5 to 25 per cent., according to district, and oats 25 to 60 per cent.

A Topeka dispatch says. If favorable conditions continue for five weeks it is predicted by wheat farmers and grain men that Kansas will this year raise 100,000,000 bushels of wheat. This will surpass even the phenomenal yield of 1892, but those familiar with the conditions throughout the wheat belt declare that the Sunflower state will this year eclipse any previous year in her history. There are nearly 5,000,000 acres in wheat in the State.

### Boot and Shoe Trade Notes.

The Thompson Shoe Company, Ltd., Montreal suspended last week with \$75,000 of direct liabilities.

A Montreal exchange reports the best and shoe situation as follows: "Travellers out with fall samples are doing as well as could be expected. The paper falling due since our last report was not met as well as it should have been in some quarters, although one firm reports satisfactory remittances."

Table and floor oil cloths have advanced 10 per cent at Montreal and still higher prices are looked for.

### Railway and Traffic Notes.

The Imperial Limited, coast to coast, train of the Canadian Pacific Railway will be started again on June 10.

F. J. Whitney, general passenger agent of the Great Northern Railway, arrived in Winnipeg this week. He says the past year's business from Manitoba has been most satisfactory to the company and he is taking steps to further extend the business.

Premier Macdonald has announced the intention of the government to include railways in the proposed tax upon large corporations doing business in Manitoba. The method of levying this tax has not yet been decided, but it is proposed to make it yield about \$300,000 from the railways alone. President S'oughnessy, of the C. P. R., in an interview at Montreal stated that his company would oppose the tax strongly. The levy will likely be made upon the bonded indebtedness of the roads.

### Railway Construction in Manitoba.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company is pushing construction on several lines where work was discontinued with the advent of winter last year. Ralls have been laid on the Pipestone branch a distance of about 24 miles west of Antler, and grading is going on to Clare, 50 miles west of Antler.

On the Lac du Bonnet line the first section of ten miles is now being ironed, and grading is going on on the remaining portion.

On the MacGregor branch the steel is being put down on the first 26 miles of this branch.

D. W. Bolt returned to Winnipeg from the Pacific coast this week.

The teamsters strike at Toronto is off, the men having decided to go back to work.

R. A. Rogers, manager of the Parson's Produce Co., Winnipeg, left this week for Toronto.

The burned portions of the Laurontide Pulp Company's mills at Grand Mere, Quebec, are being rapidly rebuilt and will soon be running again.

Linseed oil is now selling in Canada at the highest price in recent years. The eastern market is dependent upon England for supplies.

Last week's issue of the British Columbia Gazette contains notices of the incorporation of the following companies under the laws of the province: The Standard Copper Company, Ltd., of Greenwood, capital \$500,000; Athelstan Gold and Copper Mining Company, of Grand Forks, capital \$50,000; Cranbrook Electric Light Company, of Cranbrook, capital \$10,000; Thibert Creek Mining Company, of Victoria, capital \$20,000.

"The evidence," said the magistrate "is conclusive as to your having thrown a stone at the policeman." "Sure, an' it is," agreed the defendant, an Irish woman; "an' the looks are the man shows more than that, yer Honor! It shows that Ol hit him!"—Collier's Weekly.

A shopkeeper wrote to one of his customers as follows: "I am able to offer you cloth like the enclosed sample at half a crown a yard. In case I do not hear from you, I shall conclude that you wish to pay only two shillings a yard. In order to lose no time, I accept the last-mentioned price."—Tit-Bits.

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WESTERN SELLING AGENTS

**Manitoba.**

L. A. Snyder has opened a drug store at Winnipeg.

John Simnot is opening a lumber yard at Dauphin.

A. Symon, Jeweller, Neepawa, has assigned to M. H. Fieldhouse.

Coley & Evans, Swan Lake, have added lumber to their business.

M. Landry has bought out his brothers general store business at Marleapolls.

The stock, etc., of J. H. Dugeon, grocer, Winnipeg, has been seized by a bailiff.

A. McIntyre, general merchant, Strathclair, has made an assignment.

The debate on the budget speech in the Manitoba legislature was closed on Wednesday evening.

W. G. Blyth has bought the hardware stocks of T. D. Sturgeon, and P. Powell at Melita, and will amalgamate them into one concern.

Winter & Sterling have purchased the general dry goods and grocery stock of H. J. Archibald, Elva, and will continue the business.

Notice of application for the incorporation of the Northwest Laundry Co., Ltd., at Winnipeg, is given. The capitalization of the concern is fixed at \$20,000 in 200 shares of \$100 each.

The Imperial Dry Goods Company, Winnipeg, has purchased forty feet on Main street, near the Woodbine restaurant, and will, on the 1st of June, commence the erection of a brick block thereon.

The merchants of Souris, following the good example set by those of several other provincial towns, have signed an agreement to close their places of business every evening at 7 o'clock, excepting on Saturdays, and evenings before public holidays, until September 1.

The Portage la Prairie board of trade will endeavor to retain the railway shops of the M. & N. W. Ry. at that place. Since the amalgamation of this road with the C. P. R. it seems likely the shops at Portage will be closed, hence the activity of the board.

C. H. Doerr, of the firm of C. H. Doerr & Co., Berlin, Ont., manufacturer of biscuits and confectionery, was in Winnipeg this week arranging to open an agency here, for the sale of his goods in the west. While in the city he appointed J. M. Lamb, a well known commercial man, agent.

The Shops Regulation Act came before the law amendment committee of the Manitoba legislature this week. The bill provides for the early closing of stores. Its passage was opposed by the second-hand store keepers, pawnbrokers, auctioneers, etc., and was supported by a strong deputation of larger dealers, labor unionists and citizens.

A board of trade was formed at Souris on Monday last and the following officers elected: President, W. J. McLaren; vice-president, George McCreath; secretary, W. J. Hetherington; council, E. J. Crawford, J. Bohm, A. J. Hughes, R. W. Currie, W. J. Barclay, J. Y. Bambridge, L. Stockton, Dr. Sherrin, J. H. Bartlett, & L. Young, W. J. Wallace and J. E. Mann.

The business men of Neepawa organized a board of trade last week with the following officers: J. Brown, president; B. R. Hamilton, vice-president; and M. H. Fieldhouse, secretary.

R. C. Eunis, Wm. Howatt, J. A. Clark, Fred Lech, W. A. Allan, H. F. Forrest, C. W. Herrell and Geo. A. Dinwood were elected as a council. Railway matters will be dealt with vigorously, and a temporary line secured, if possible, to the town.

**Assiniboia.**

W. Baylis, of Winnipeg, has leased the C. P. R. Hotel at Moose Jaw.

R. H. Benson & Co., general merchants, Indian Head, are advertising a clearing sale with a view to moving to Rat Portage, Ontario.

**Alberta.**

P. McLaren has bought out the lumber yard of Mott, Son & Co., at Macleod.

H. Miron, butcher, Lethbridge, has taken in J. H. Wallace as a partner. Style now Wallace & Miron.

B. Macdonnell has bought out the hotel and butcher business of Mansell Bros. at Macleod. Robert Killock has leased the hotel.

Wm. Henderson and Fred W. Downer will erect a new brick block this summer at Lethbridge to be divided into stores, offices and dwelling rooms. The block will be solid brick, and metal, two storeys high. Other improvements being made in Lethbridge this year include the alteration and enlargement of Howard, Case & Co.'s premises, T. F. Kirkham's store, E. J. Hill's store and a number of other buildings.

**Northwest Ontario.**

An office of the Dominion Express Co has been opened at Fort Frances.

T. Davidson has bought out the hotel business of Cobb at Ignace and will conduct it in future.

**Tenders.**

Tenders will be received by Jas. Chisholm, Winnipeg, up to Friday, May 25, for the erection of a frame residence in Fort Rouge.

Tenders will be received by A. Cameron, Oak Lake, Man., up to May 5 for the erection of a brick veneered church with stone basement.

Tenders will be received by Joseph Greenfield, Winnipeg, up to May 23rd, for the erection of a brick residence on Edmonton street, Winnipeg.

Tenders for the carpenter work on a large building on Notre Dame avenue east, were advertised for this week by Jos. Greenfield, Winnipeg.

Tenders will be received up to May 21 by S. Hooper, Winnipeg, for the mason work, carpenter, painter and plumbing, etc., for a stone residence to be erected at Stonewall, for John Gunn.

Bulk and separate tenders will be received until Saturday, May 26, by J. H. G. Russell, for the various works required in the erection and completion of a brick and stone residence on Assiniboine avenue.

Tenders addressed "Inspector of Penitentiaries, Ottawa," will be received until Saturday, 16th of June, inclusive, from parties desirous of contracting for supplies, for the fiscal year 1900-1901, for the following institutions, namely: Kingston penitentiary, St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary, Dorchester penitentiary, Manitoba penitentiary, British Columbia penitentiary, Regina jail, Prince Albert jail. Separate tenders will be received for each of the following classes of supplies: Flour (Canadian Strong Bak-

er's), beef and mutton (fresh), forage, coal (anthracite and bituminous), cordwood, groceries, coal oil (in barrels), dry goods, drugs and medicines, leather and findings, hardware, lumber.

**"North Coast Limited."**

General Passenger Agent Charles S. Fee, of the Northern Pacific railway, announces that his company have established a double daily passenger train service between Portland, Puget Sound and St. Paul and Minneapolis.

The morning train from St. Paul will leave at 8:55, after the arrival of the fast trains from Chicago, St. Louis and the East, running by the way of Butte, and will be known as the "North Coast Limited."

Train No. 3 will leave St. Paul at present, 10:35 p. m., and will run by way of Helena. Train 3 will carry the same equipment as present 1 and 2, first and second-class coaches, Pullman first-class and Pullman tourist sleepers and dining-cars, with the usual number of mail, express and baggage cars. These trains will carry standard and tourist sleepers from and to St. Louis by the Billings route, the "Burlington," thus offering the public a service to the Missouri river country, St. Louis and intermediate territory superior to anything heretofore established.

The "North Coast Limited" will be one of the handsomest and most complete passenger trains in the country. With its new 70-foot baggage and express cars, combination smoker, new first-class coaches, new Pullman tourist sleepers, handsomely upholstered in dark green leather, thoroughly modern first class sleepers and elegant dining cars, all wide vestibuled, the train might be considered complete. Its chief attractions, however, will be the thorough lighting of the train throughout by electricity, including two berth lights for reading in each section, and an observation car more complete than anything of the kind heretofore constructed. This car, which will be 70 feet in length, with a wide and hand-somely railed rear platform, will have 14 upholstered plush chairs, with writing desk and reading table in the rear end; a carefully selected library of 125 volumes; bath room barber shop and buffet in the centre, while in the rear, in addition to toilet rooms for men and women, there will be two smoking and card rooms, each furnished with six comfortable folding chairs and a folding table. These smoking or card rooms will be shut off from the remainder of the car and so thoroughly ventilated that those addicted to the weed may indulge at leisure without attracting undue attention.

The Northern Pacific management realize that for short night runs, as for instance, between St. Paul and Chicago where there is no opportunity to enjoy the really interesting scenery, a library car meets the wants of the traveller, but on a transcontinental journey of 2,600 miles or more, where the object of the traveller is sight-seeing they hold that the observation car is the car par excellence, and that nothing else will take its place. The "North Coast Limited" of the Northern Pacific will be run exclusively in the interests of passengers and, as a consequence, the observation car will be kept on the end of the train for the benefit of the passengers who have paid their money and to the disgust possibly of the "private car" tourists and railroad official making a tour of the road.



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WINNIPEG BANK CLEARINGS.

Returns for the Winnipeg Clearing House for the week ending Thursday, show as follows:

Week ending May 17, 1900 ..... \$2,400,411  
 Corresponding week, 1899 ..... 1,523,767  
 Corresponding week, 1898 ..... 2,208,905

The monthly totals are as follows:

	1899.	1898.
January .. .. .	\$7,083,052	\$6,847,108
February .. .. .	6,209,471	5,517,340
March .. .. .	6,750,121	5,968,275
April .. .. .	6,910,431	6,240,113
May .. .. .	7,472,855	8,083,301
June .. .. .	8,211,716	7,396,799
July .. .. .	8,169,595	6,316,388
August .. .. .	7,995,291	6,180,385
September .. .. .	8,281,159	8,414,551
October .. .. .	12,089,000	9,347,692
November .. .. .	14,435,215	11,553,649
December .. .. .	12,966,905	10,708,731

Totals .. .. . \$107,786,814 \$90,674,325  
 1900.

January .. .. .	\$9,906,807
February .. .. .	6,702,646
March .. .. .	7,320,962
April .. .. .	7,091,519

MONEY.

Interest rates are firmly held in the city by banks and loan companies. The bank rate ranges from 6 to 8 per cent for mercantile loans according to name. Loan company rate 5 1/2 to 7 per cent for loans on city property and 7 to 8 per cent. for farm loans.

FINANCIAL NOTES.

The Bank of England rate is unchanged at 4 per cent.

Francis Wolferton Thomas, general manager of the Molson's bank, died at Montreal on Friday morning.

Money rates are firmer at Montreal, and call loans cannot now be obtained under 5 1/2 per cent, and in most cases the rate is 6 per cent. One institution has called in its call loans.

A bill to incorporate the Canadian Bankers' Association was discussed at the banking and commerce committee of the Dominion house on Wednesday. The object of the bill is to promote the interest and efficiency of the banks and bank officers to properly qualify and train all person who enter into the employment of banks, to arrange for lectures on commercial law and banking, and to publish the Journal of the Bankers' Association. The Bank of Nova Scotia opposed the bill on the ground that the powers granted the Association were too great. The bill passed with a few minor amendments.

The annual statement of the Bank of Montreal for the year ending April 30, was issued on the 15th at Montreal. The net profits for the year after deducting charges of management and making full provisions for all bad and doubtful debts, amounted to \$1,524,388, as against \$1,350,532 for the year ending April 30, 1899. The net profits this year are 12.7 per cent on a capital of \$12,000,000. Profits added to balance of profit and loss account April 30, 1899, gives a balance of \$2,627,180. Out of this sum \$1,200,000 has been paid in dividends and \$1,000,000 credited to reserve account, thus making the reserve \$7,000,000 in all.

Last week 1,940 head of cattle were shipped from Montreal to British ports.

INSURANCE MATTERS.

INCREASED FIRE LOSSES.

The New York Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin, in speaking of this year's heavy fire losses recently, said:

The fire loss of the United States and Canada for the month of April, as compiled from our daily records, shows a total of \$25,727,000. The great increase of this total over the record for the same months in 1898 and 1899 will be seen by consulting the following table, which exhibits the losses by months for the first four months of the years 1898, 1899 and 1900:

	1898.	1899.	1900.
Jan'y. ..	\$ 9,472,500	10,718,000	\$11,753,000
Feb'y. ..	12,623,300	18,409,000	15,427,000
Mar... ..	7,645,200	11,493,000	13,349,200
April. ..	8,211,000	9,213,000	25,727,000

Total. \$37,958,000 \$49,833,000 \$66,258,500

The most important fire was, of course, the Ottawa-Hull conflagration, which amounted to \$12,000,000, thus accounting for about one-half of the month's loss. Excluding that fire, however, the April loss was much larger than usual in that month. The Ottawa fire struck the underwriting interest a hard blow, coming as it did after a very hard year. It will be noticed, from the comparative table, that the losses for this year so far are \$66,258,500, as against \$49,833,000 for the first of 1899, and \$37,958,000 for the same part of 1898.

As far as the insurance companies are concerned, their remedy appears to be to raise rates, but property owners should in some way be brought to a realizing sense of the need for more care. Buildings should be more safely constructed, better guarded, and irregularly supervised. Local fire departments and water supplies should be thoroughly looked after, and city authorities forced to keep them up to the proper standard.

The indemnity paid to burned-out policy holders does not come from the capital of the insurance companies, or they would all soon retire. They simply collect enough out of all insurers to pay the losses of the reckless or unfortunate, and allow a margin for expenses and profit. In 1899 they collected too little to meet expenses and losses, and the present tendency is consequently in the line of higher rates to equal the increased hazard. The public is responsible for the risks, and the underwriters merely fix the rates to them.

INSURANCE LOGIC.

One of the successful representatives of an American life company, residing in Paris, puts the life assurance problem to business men in this ingenious way: "My dear sir, do you ever mark off anything from the value of your stock of goods, the cost price of your machinery, your plant, your fixtures, anything you use in your business, because of wear and tear? You do? All right. What percentage? From 5 to 10 per cent? Yes, well those are about the figures most merchants use. Very good. Then you estimate that in from 10 to 20 years the machinery, the fixtures, the plant with which you do your business will be consumed, worn out, and have to be thrown away, and as against this final wearing out and total destruction you lay aside this percentage each year. Now, will you kindly tell me the difference between this and paying the premium each year to insure yourself against what is absolutely certain to be the ultimate destruction of your life by death? The only reason you can give for not pursuing the same course is that you do not consider your own life, which manages, directs, controls and makes productive the machinery,

the plant, the fixtures, the general paraphernalia you use in your business, as valuable as these inanimate things themselves." ad commefcial

INSURANCE NOTES.

The Western Farmers' Live Stock Insurance Company is making application for incorporation under Manitoba laws.

The Great West Life Insurance Company has appointed Fred Jones, of Port Arthur, its district agent and manager for the Brandon district.

Will Move to Canada.

Windsor, Ont., May 17.—A scheme is on foot to have several of the big lumber mills in Ecece and Wyandotte, Mich., practically idle now, for lack of material, to move across the river to Sandwich. Timber is so scarce in Michigan that mills depending on timber in that state are idle most of the time and the Ontario government's action sends out another source of supply.

The only way out of the difficulty is to move the mills into Ontario. The bay at Sandwich provides excellent sites for a log, and good sites can be obtained for a song. It is also believed the town will pay the duty on the mill plants that are moved, and some arrangement might be made with the government to have only a nominal value fixed. Several mill owners who have been approached are favorable to the plan. R. W. Smylie, of the People's Savings Bank, Detroit, who is close to Michigan lumbermen, is interested in the matter, and the local end is being steered by James Oliver and Samuel Stover, Windsor real estate agents. It is twenty equal consecutive annual instalments.

The demand for ocean cattle space at Montreal is reported good this week. Liverpool is quoted at 60s, and Manchester end of June, 60s.

Tenders will be received by A. J. Osment, Indian Head, up to May 25th, for the purchase of \$12,000 Indian Head school debentures, bearing 5 per cent interest, repayable to the bearer.

Hotel Man (who thinks he is calling down his butcher): "Say, I am shy a heart and a liver, eight ribs, and a shoulder. Now, I want 'em right away."

Railway Officer (which has been connected by mistake). "Sorry, sir, but the wreck has been cleared up."—Baltimore American.

The court jester lay dying. Round the couch were gathered those who waited to hear his last words. Suddenly his lips moved as if an effort to speak. "What is it thou wouldst say?" they queried. A smile crossed his wan face, as he replied: "Wait and you will understand; I'm just getting out a die-jest."—Yale Record.

The Parson—"I think it'd be moah 'preprate of yo' 'tend church on Sunday 'stid of gwine shootin'."

The Reprobate—"Wal, pahson, do choctin' in dis hyah neigh'b'hood am bettah dan de sulmons."—Puck.

Bacon—"I see the Western Undertakers Association had a dinner, and one of them gave a funny toast."

Egbert—"What was it?"

Bacon—"May we each live long enough to bury one another."—Yonkers Statesman.

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**Business at Vancouver.**

Vancouver, May 14, 1900.

Wholesalers still report business very dull in British Columbia, but they see much reason to hope in the great activity of the lumber camps, the extensive preparations for the canning season, and the good news from the different mining camps in the vicinity of the coast cities. The northern trade is also very good; every B. C. steamer sailing with heavy cargoes and large passenger lists.

It would seem from indications that the present season would be the banner year in the lumber trade. All the mills outside Vancouver have large orders ahead, and most of them are working over time. In Vancouver the Moodyville mill has contracted to supply 22,000,000 feet of lumber for the foreign trade and was obliged to refuse to fill orders for 10,000,000 feet. The policy of the Hastings mill is to give no information as to their business, for the benefit of the public, but as their capacity is much larger than that of the Moodyville mills it is likely that 50,000,000 feet of lumber will be shipped from Vancouver alone before the month of November. A large portion of the shipment goes to Shanghai to be used in construction work on the Trans-Siberian railway.

In the labor market in British Columbia there is much unrest. The longshoremen's strike continues and Vancouver is losing \$6,000 a month in wages to longshoremen as a consequence, as all the longshoremen are being engaged in Seattle. The stonecutters and bricklayers are still on strike, but their places have been filled by workmen who have formed a local union of their own.

Japanese immigrants continue to come in, in large numbers and as the Japanese boarding houses are overcrowded already and the new comers have no place to lay their heads the health authorities are not rigidly enforcing the over-crowding by-laws. The late arrivals are sleeping in the bushes, some of them are in distressing circumstances and can be seen picking up cast off scraps of food in the yards, and even eating banana peelings. The United States are trying to keep them from crossing the line into the United States and British Columbia is anxious that they should migrate to Uncle Sam's dominion.

The failure of Quigley, dry goods merchant, has caused so much discussion in Vancouver, that the matter was taken up by the Vancouver board of trade, where it was decided that the Dominion Government be memorialized to pass an insolvency act for Canada which shall among other things prevent the giving of undue and often fraudulent preferences to creditors, hinder collusive repurchases of estates by insolvents, at undervalues, and make assets distribution equal between home and foreign creditors. In referring to matters the Vancouver News-Advertiser says:

It is monstrous that it should be possible, as seemingly it is under present insolvency law conditions for a debtor to pay in part home creditors and make a comparatively easy repurchase of his estate on such terms as to deprive outside wholesaler creditors—other British or American—of any prospect of getting back even a small dividend on debts due them. Such action is morally and should be made legally fraudulent, as it is under the British Bankruptcy Code. And if what

Mr. Skene states lately happened here the effect will certainly be bad for local traders, as the thing cannot but make it more difficult for some at least amongst them to obtain credit from outside wholesalers on good terms.

It is strange indeed that it should be so difficult as it seems to introduce and pass through the Dominion parliament an equitable bankruptcy insolvency act for all Canada, preventing frauds and securing the cheap and equitable administration and distribution of insolvents' assets and on fair terms relieving debtors when they have done all that is reasonably possible or may fairly be expected of them, after suffering commercial misfortune.

**PRICES IN THE KOOTENAY.**

Special to The Commercial.

Nelson, May 10.

Some Manitoba creamery butter has been offering here in small lots, but the chief supply is from Ontario. Dairy butter is 1c lower this week. Potatoes have declined \$3 per ton.

Butter—Ontario creamery, 23 1-2c; choice dairy, 21c.

Cheese—Large, 15c; small sizes, 15 1-2c per pound.

Eggs—Fresh ranch eggs, 18c.

Oats—Per ton, \$25.

Milkfeed—Bran, \$20; shorts, \$22 per ton.

Flour—Manitoba patent, \$4.80.

Hay—Per ton, \$26.

Potatoes—Per ton, \$10.

**British Columbia Markets.**

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

**PRICES AT VANCOUVER.**

Vancouver, May, 19.

(By wire to the Commercial.)

Ontario fresh creamery butter is now offering at 25c. Dairy butter has taken a drop and is now selling at 1c to 20c. Cheese is higher, for new Ontario stock now offering. Hams are 1-2c higher again.

Local eggs have advanced sharply again. Oregon eggs are now out of the market. Cured hog products are higher.

BUTTER—Local creamery, 28c; California creamery, 25 1-2; Australian creamery, 27c; Ontario creamery, 25c. Fresh dairy, 18 to 20c.

Eggs—Fresh local, 24 to 25c; Manitoba eggs, 18 to 20c, as to quality.

CHEESE—California cheese, 14c; east orn, 14 1-2c.

MEAL—Boiled oats, 90 lb. sack, \$2.50; two 45 lb. sacks, \$2.60; four 22 1-2 lb. sacks, \$2.80; ten 7 lb. sacks, \$2.50; oatmeal in 10 lb. sacks, per 100 lbs., \$3.25; in 50 lb. sacks, \$3.00 per 100 lbs.

FLOUR—Delivered B. O. points—Manitoba patent, per barrel, \$4.90; Oregon, \$4.55 per barrel.

GRAIN—Oats, \$24 to \$25 per ton; wheat, \$25.

FEED—National mills chop, \$25 per ton, bran, \$20; shorts, \$22; oil cake meal, \$35 ton, f.o.b. Vancouver, including duty paid on imported stuff.

HAY—Per ton, \$16.

CURED MEATS—Hams, 15c; brook fast bacon, 14c to 14 1-2c; backs, 13c; long clear, 11c; rolls, 12 1-2 to 13c; smoked sides, 12c.

Lard—Tins, 12c per lb.; pails, 11c, tubs 10 3-4c.

FISH—Flounders, 8c; smelts, 5c; sea bass, 4c; whiting, 5c; soles, 6c; halibut, 6c; salmon, 7c; cod, 6c per lb.; crabs, 60c; per dozen; smoked salmon, 10c.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 14c; geese, 12c.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, Fraser River stock, \$10 to \$17 per ton; Ashcroft potatoes \$10 to \$22 per ton; cabbage, 2c

lb.; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12 per ton. California onions, 4 to 4 1-2c.

DRESSED MEATS—Beef, 9 1-2c; mutton, 11 1-2c; Australian frozen mutton, 9c per lb.; pork, 9c; veal, 11c.

LIVE STOCK—Steers, \$5.50 per 100 lbs.; butchers' cows, \$4.75 per 100 lbs.; sheep, \$5 to \$6 per 100 lbs.; lambs, \$5 to \$5.50 each; hogs, \$6.75 per 100 lbs.

GREEN FRUIT—Oranges, navel, \$3.75 to \$4.00, seedlings, \$2.50 to \$2.75; California lemons, \$2.50 to \$3.00; cananias, \$3.00 to \$3.25, strawberries, \$5.75.

DRIED FRUITS—Apricots, 17 to 18c; peaches, 10 to 11c; pitted plums, 12 1-2 to 16 1-2c; prunes, French, 5 1-2 to 8c; London layer raisins, \$2.00 to \$2.25 per box; Muscatel raisins, 2 crown, 8c; 3 crown, 8 1-2c, 4 crown 9c. dates, 9c; black figs, 6c; white figs, 9 1-2c; layer figs, 10 lb. box, \$1.45; silver prunes, 9 1-2c; quartered pears, 11 1-2 to 12 1-2c; half pears, 12 1-2 to 13c; nectarines, 14c; Valencia raisins, 7 1-2c; sultanas, 11 to 14c; blackberries, 16c; 16c; raspberries, 25c; seeded raisins, 9 1-2c.

NUTS—Almonds, 16c; filberts, 12 1-2c; peanuts, 9c; Brazil 12 1-2c; walnuts, 15c lb.

SUGARS—Powdered, icing and bar, 6 3-4c; Paris lump, 6 1-4c; granulated, 5 1-4c; extra C, 4 5-8c; fancy yellows, 4 1-2c; yellow, 4 3-8c lb.

SYRUPS—30 gallon barrels, 2 1-4c lb.; 10 gallon kegs, 2 3-4c; 5 gallon tins, \$1.75 each; 1 gallon tins, \$4.50 case of 10; 1-2 gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

TEAS—Congo, Fair, 11 1-2c; good, 18c; choice, 29c; Ceylon and India, fair, 20c.

HARDWARE—Bar iron—Base, \$3.50. Horse shoe nails, discount, 40 per cent; horse shoes, keg, \$5.25. Wire nails—Base price \$4.50, cut \$3.85, rope, Man 1 1/2, 18c. Bottled oil, 90c. White lead, \$9. Putty, \$3.50. Barbed wire, \$4.75 per 100 lbs. Glass, first break, \$5.

**British Columbia Notes.**

Phoenix will apply for incorporation as a town shortly.

The branch harness business of H. C. Cooper, at Armstrong, has been purchased by Chas. Addison.

R. Whittaker has sold his butcher business at Kelowna. Bottenheimer & Robinson, who will continue.

Armstrong & Winning are opening in hardware, furniture, paints, sash and doors, etc., at Armstrong.

Richard S. Bull will start a hardware business at Vernon under the name of the Vernon Hardware Company.

A joint stock company is being formed to continue The Columbian news paper at New Westminster, hitherto carried on by Kennedy Bros.

The New Westminster Foundry has been acquired by the Letson & Burpee Company, of Vancouver, and such of the plant as is required will be removed thither.

Sandon is being rapidly rebuilt on new and improved plans. A re-survey of the town is to be made. Meanwhile tents, shacks and all other kinds of shelter are being utilized in which to carry on business.

The following new companies have been incorporated: Hutchinson Company, Limited, of Victoria, capital \$250,000; the Nanaimo Herald Printing and Publishing Company, Nanaimo, capital \$3,000; the Skylark Gold Mines, Rossland, capital \$100,000; the Wide West Gold Mining Company, Rossland, capital \$1,500,000.

A Victoria dispatch says: With the return of the sealing schooners Viva, Scilla, May, Otto and Vera complete reports of coast hunting are secured. The total catch for 34 schooners was 15,000 skins. Last year's total was 10,472, with but 19 vessels engaged. Owners are so confident of good prices that all will ship to England.



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## THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Winnipeg, Saturday, May 19.

The continued dry weather is creating a little uneasiness. Whether this is well founded or not remains to be seen. Rain would certainly improve the outlook very much if heavy and general. Light showers have fallen this week in most parts of the province. The general trade situation remains about the same as last week. Light summer wearing apparel is moving freely. Boot and shoe trade is dull. Hardware is fairly active. Groceries are active. Lumber and building material are in good demand. The general range of values is about the same, although there is a tendency to recede from the high level attained on some kinds of hardware and metal. Railway traffic is quite heavy. Large numbers of new settlers are still pouring into the country and farming operations are proceeding actively in all parts. The area in crop is certainly very much larger this year. Cattle trade is quiet. Bank clearings at Winnipeg expanded over the same week a year ago \$885,644.

## WINNIPEG MARKETS

Winnipeg, Saturday, May 19.

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

## CURED MEATS.

Demand is good and the market very firm. Dealers announce an advance of 12c per pound on smoked shoulders, picnic hams, dry salt shoulders, short clear, and backs to take effect on Monday.

## DRY GOODS.

Trade in all reasonable lines continues active. Summer goods of all kinds are in good demand both in city and country. Prices continue firm. Collections poor.

## FISH.

Fresh caught fish are now more plentiful. Whitefish, trout, pike and pickerel are all obtainable. Demand is good. We quote: Whitefish, fresh caught, 6 1/2c per pound, frozen 6 to 5 1/2c; Lake Superior trout, 10c; salmon, 12 1/2c; halibut, 12 1/2c; pickerel, 1c; pike, 3c; trout, 10c; salmon, 12 1/2c; salmon, round cuts, 10c; halibut, 11c; salt whitefish, in half barrels, \$3.50; haddock, 7c, salt cod, 7c; mackerel, fresh, 15c, fresh herring, 20c; Labrador herring, in half barrels, \$4.00.

## GREEN FRUITS.

Strawberries are now becoming quite plentiful and have declined to \$1.00 per case of two dozen boxes. California cherries in 10 pound boxes are coming in this week and sell at \$2.50 per case. Apples are in the market at \$1.00 per dozen. Rhubarb is becoming cheaper owing to more plentiful supply. Commencing Monday the price will be 3c per pound, owing to expected large arrivals next week. Stocks of Egyptian onions are expected in today and will sell at 4c per pound. At present there are no onions in the market. New Messina lemons from the Montreal sales are expected in today

and will sell at \$4.75 per case. Med. sweet oranges are plentiful and also St. Michaels. Naval oranges are about done. Bananas are 25c lower. We quote: Med. sweets, \$3.75 to \$1.50 according to size; St. Michaels, \$4.75 to \$5.25; California navel oranges, \$1.75 to \$5 per case for regular sizes; California seedlings, \$3.75 to \$4.00, California lemons, per box, \$4.75, bananas, \$2.75; pineapples per dozen, \$5.00, six avocados, \$1.00 per case; coconuts, per dozen, 80c; Grenoble walnuts, 15c; Taragona almonds, 15c, filberts, 12c; peanuts, green, 9c, roasted 12c, pecan nuts 15c per lb; new maple sugar, per pound 15c; apple cider, 35c per gallon in barrels and half barrels; fruit cider put up in 20 and 30 gallon kegs, per gallon, 35c; California layer figs in 10 pound boxes, \$1.40; new Smyrna in glove boxes, \$2.00 per dozen; 10 lb. boxes, \$1.50 per box; dates, 7c per lb. in 15 cartons, 10c; honey in 1-lb. glass jars, per dozen jars, \$2.50; Egyptian onions, 4c per pound; green onions, 30c per dozen bunches; lettuce, 40c; sweet potatoes, per barrel, \$7; new California cabbage, 5c per lb.; cucumbers, \$1.75 per dozen.

## GROCERIES.

Trade is good in all staple lines of groceries. As regards prices canned goods remain unchanged. Green Rio coffee manifest an easier tendency. California raisins have declined about 1/2c per pound due to apparent surplus of stock at primary points. Local jobbers are supplied for the present with raisins bought at the old figures. Tapioca is 1/4c lower per pound. United States wooden and fibre ware are being supplied to the trade here until Canadian mills can be replaced. These can be laid down duty paid at old prices. Some local jobbers have always carried these goods so that their customers were familiar with them. Prices are given on page 1188.

## HANDWARE.

The feature of the local situation is the prospective scarcity of harvest tools, axes, etc., due to the St. Catharines fire and dealers are speculating as to the source of their future supplies. Trade is good and prices for the most part steady. Tar paper has advanced 5c per roll, which is the only change. Quotations will be found elsewhere in this issue.

## PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.

Trading in this line in a jobbing way is only moderate. Prices remain unchanged. Linseed oil is very firm and further advances are not improbable. Turpentine is firm at the lower range of prices established a short time ago. For Winnipeg prices see elsewhere in this issue.

## IMPLEMENTS.

Local dealers report business good in carriages, and those dealers who buy cycle bicycles have had a lively trade. There has been a difficulty in getting supplies in fast enough and some lines of bicycles have been entirely out of stock part of the time. There is a rush now to get implements forwarded before the new classification takes effect on June 1, after which date the 12,000 pound car rate will be discontinued and cars will be billed only at the 20,000 pound rate, which will mean a considerable increase in the cost of laying down implements at country points.

## GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—The wheat markets have been slow enough some days the past

week, but have shown somewhat of an awakening tendency, more especially towards the end of the week, as if the long period of dull and lifeless markets were beginning to give signs of an approach to more interesting and brisker trade. That the change should develop is being brought on by more or less crop damage in various districts is a matter for regret. Yesterday the American speculative markets become very active on the steady stream of damage reports coming from the west and southwest owing to over supply of rain, and from the Northwest owing to want of it. Increasing signs of insect damage also reported from various points in the States. With the advance yesterday prices have gained 1 1/4 to 1 3/8c on the week, and are practically at the same figures as they were before the government report was issued last week. While crop reports are favoring the bull side, recent statistics may also be looked upon as supporting it. Last week the American visible decreased 2,204,000 bushels, and the decrease in three weeks has been over 7,000,000 bushels. The world's shipments were 7,564,000 bushels against 9,161,000 bushels the previous week, and the world's visible supply according to Bradstreet's, decreased 4,366,000 bushels against a decrease of 6,700,000 bushels the previous week and an increase last year of \$76,000 bushels. The crops in western Europe and in England are not doing so well as cold and inclement weather has again been experienced, and the situation continues very backward. The Russian crop at last accounts is very favorable.

The local market is quiet. Holders are firm and not pressing sales. Buyers for export are slow and cautious, professing that there is no profit in export business at present prices. The value of 1 hard spot Fort William has advanced 1 1/4c on the week from 67 1/4c at the close of last week to 68 1/2c the closing price yesterday. Spot and May delivery are the same value, and even for June delivery there is little or no premium. No. 2 hard and 1 northern are 2 1/4c under 1 hard, and 3 hard 4 1/2c under 1 hard.

FLOUR—The demand for flour is fair and prices steady. Ogilvie's quote Hungarian patent at \$1.95; Glenora patent, \$1.75; Manitoba Strong Bakers' \$1.45, and XXXX \$1.00. The Lake of the Woods Company's prices are \$1.65 for Fivo Bloses, \$1.65 for Patent, \$1.30 for Medora and \$1.10 for XXXX, in 80 pound sacks delivered.

MILLFEED—Prices are easing off and are now \$1.50 lower than last week at \$12.50 to \$13.00 per ton for bran and \$14.50 to \$15.00 for shorts, in bags delivered.

GROUND FEED—Prices on barley and mixed feed are firming up, owing to higher prices for the grain. We quote: Oat chop, \$23 per ton; barley chop, \$19; mixed feed of barley and oats, \$22; oil cake, \$27.

GATS—Demand is fairly good and prices firm. Fair quantities are offering. No. 2 white oats can be obtained under 32c per bushel, which is the current quotation for carlots on track here. No. 2 mixed are scarce at 30 1/2c per bushel. Carlots at country points are worth 25 to 26c per bushel according to freight rate.

BARLEY—The market is very quiet. A few lots have been bought this week at from 33 to 35c per bushel on track here.

## THE COMMERCIAL MEN.

W. J. BLUNDELL.

W. J. Blundell, whose photo is shown herewith, is one of the newer men among the city travellers of Winnipeg. Mr. Blundell travels for J. Y. Griffin & Co., with which firm he has been for two years. Previous to that he was engaged with F. M. Griff-



W. J. Blundell.

in, provision and commission merchant of St. Thomas, Ont. His first experience in this line was obtained with J. F. Rogers, of Toronto, travelling the route between Ottawa and Windsor. Mr. Blundell originally came from Walkerton, Ont. Since coming to Winnipeg he has taken a lively interest in the local travellers' association, and has obtained a wide circle of general acquaintanceship in the city as well.

## COMMERCIAL MEN.

Fred. P. Fahey, arrived in Winnipeg from British Columbia this week and is at present at the general hospital suffering from muscular rheumatism.

The following commercial men were observed on the street this week. Rod weck. Alex. Munro, Hamilton, Rod McLennan, Montreal; A. W. Lasher, Toronto; C. A. Boxall, Toronto; W. A. Walker, Toronto.

C. N. Bell, secretary of the Winnipeg board of trade, who has been at Ottawa for some time in connection with grain legislation, is expected to return within a few days, possibly to-day.

F. J. Beatty has opened an office and sample room in the Sanford block, Winnipeg, and will engage in business as broker in teas, etc. He will handle the Monsoon packet teas. Mr. Beatty is well known to the trade, having been on the road as a commercial traveller for some years.

W. G. McFarland, manager of the Marshall-Wells Co., Winnipeg, has had plans prepared for the new building which the company will erect in Winnipeg this season. The plans have been submitted to the directors' consideration, and as soon as a decision is arrived at the building will be gone on with.

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**CORN**—Movement light and price unchanged at 47 1-2 per bushel for No. 3 in carlots on track.

**WHEAT**—Country buyers are paying from 51 to 54c per bushel to farmers, according to rate of freight.

**FLAXSEED**—Trade is over until another crop matures. It is understood that the stock in dealers' hands has almost reached the vanishing point.

**OATMEAL**—Manitoba meal is quoted regularly at \$1.70 to the trade, but cash customers can buy at \$1.65 per sack of 80 pounds delivered.

**HAY**—Apparently this is not going to be a good hay year owing to dry weather and prices are firming up in consequence. Fresh baled hay has advanced 50c per ton to \$5.50 to \$6.00. Loose hay on the street is worth \$2.50 per ton more at the same price as baled.

**BUTTER**—Creamery—The market is beginning to find its level and prices are 2c lower this week at 17c per pound net for choice creamery at the factories. There is a good demand both locally and in British Columbia for all offerings. The output is increasing rapidly.

**BUTTER**—Dairy—Choice dairy butter is still scarce and the market quickly absorbs all offerings at from 14 to 16c per pound for choicest. Second grades are not so readily sold and rule at about 10 to 12c per pound. These prices are on a commission basis.

**CHEESE**—Dealers are paying 11c per pound net for new cheese delivered at Winnipeg. Supplies are increasing and show better quality. There is a good demand for everything that offers.

**EGGS**—Large shipments to British Columbia and increased local consumption have cleaned up the market and prices are firmer at 1-2c advance over last week. Dealers now pay 11c per dozen for choice fresh eggs delivered at Winnipeg.

**VEGETABLES**—Potatoes hold firm at last week's prices. Rhubarb is 2c per lb lower at 3c. We quote Potatoes 40c per bushel for farmers loads and carlots; turnips 30c; carrots 75 to 90c; parsnips, 11-2c per pound; onions, 3c per pound; radish, 25 to 30c; California cabbage, 6c per pound; lettuce, 25c per dozen; parsley, 30c; green onions, 15c per dozen; asparagus, 90c per dozen; rhubarb, 3c per pound.

**DRESSED MEATS**—No change in price to note excepting that some extra choice beef brings as high as 7c per pound. The regular quotations remain as given last week, namely, 6 to 6 1/2-4c. Veal is scarce and some extra choice brings as high as 10c per pound. The tendency of farmers to sell their yearling calves for stockers offsets the supply of veal. We quote: Beef 6 to 6 3/4-4c; veal 8 to 10c; mutton fresh 10 to 11c; frozen, 8c; hogs, 6 1/2 to 7c; spring lambs, \$1 to \$5 each.

**FOWLTRY**—Best Smith's Falls turkeys wholesale at 13c per pound; ducks 8 to 11c; geese, 9c; chickens, 12c. Live chickens are worth 75c per pair.

**HIDES**—The continued weakness of visible markets has caused local dealers to lower their quotations again and 7c is now the ruling figure for No. 1 hides. Some claim that 6 1/2-2c is what the hides are worth. We quote, No. 1 inspected hid., 7c. No. 2, 6c; No. 3, 5c. branded hides grade No. 2, and bull, No. 3, kip, 7c; calf, 8 to 8 1/2-2c;

deakin skins, 25 to 35c each; sheepskins, 10c per pound, horsehides, 50 to 75c each.

**WOOL**—No Manitoba wool is offering yet in quantities. The clip will be light as there are very few sheep in the country. We quote 8 to 9c per pound; as the present idea of values, but with prices lower in London the market may weaken before the clip comes in.

**SENECA**—The root market should open again, shortly as at least one local dealer is now advertising for consignments. Manitoba root is quoted at 25c per pound delivered here.

**TALLOW**—The outside markets are a little easier, but local quotations remain unchanged. From 3 3/4 to 4c per pound is paid for good clean well-rendered tallow at country points.

**LIVE STOCK.**

**CATTLE**—Movement is still confined to local butchers and British Columbia account. A fair number of fat cattle are being taken in this way. Stocker shipments continue, mostly to the ranges of the west. Choice beef cattle are worth 3 3/4 to 4c off cars here. Second grades 3 to 3 1/2-2c and common stock 2 1/2 to 3c. Yearling stockers are worth from \$15 to \$18 each and two-year-olds from \$22 to \$26.

**SHEEP**—Buyers offer 4 3/4 to 5c per pound for choice stock weighed off cars here.

**HOGS**—The market is steady, and receipts moderate. We quote: Choice hogs 5c per pound and second grades 4 to 4 1/2-2c.

**MILCH COWS**—Cows are in good demand and readily bring from \$30 to \$40 each.

**HORSES**—Good work horses weighing about 1300 pounds are worth here from \$150 to \$175 each, roadsters from \$150 to \$200 each and extra heavy teams from \$350 upwards. Western horses of lighter weight run from \$40 to \$140 each, when halter broken.

**Manitoba Wheat Stocks.**

There were 3,450,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on May 12. Receipts for the week were 362,000 bushels and shipments were 325,000 bushels. A year ago stocks in store at Fort William were 3,412,000 bushels; \$80,000 bushels two years ago; 3,259,000 bushels three years ago; 3,612,000 bushels four years ago; 359,000 bushels five years ago; 1,512,000 bushels six years ago. Stocks of wheat at Fort William, Fort Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg, and Interior points were estimated approximately at 8,200,000 bushels, compared with 10,000,000 bushels a year ago; 3,300,000 bushels two years ago; 6,128,000 bushels three years ago; 8,000,000 bushels four years ago, and 3,000,000 bushels five years ago.

**Winnipeg Grain Inspection.**

For the week ending May 12 there were 757 cars of grain inspected, grading as follows:  
Wheat—1 hard, 559; 2 hard, 62; 1 northern, 25; 2 northern, 0; 3 hard, 49; 1 frosted, 12; 2 frosted, 1; 1 rejected, 15; 2 rejected, 11; no grade, 8; condemned, 2; 1 white eye, 1 car.  
Oats—2 white, 7 cars.  
Barley—Feed, 2 cars.

**Ontario Cheese Market.**

Ingersoll, May 15.—Offerings to-day, in the hope that the present lack of make. No sales; 9 5-80 bid. (

**Well Known Banker Dead.**

Montreal, May 18.—F. Wolfertan Thomas, general manager of the Molson's bank, one of the best known bankers of this country, died at one o'clock this morning.

The remains will be cremated, according to his wishes, and be taken to Boston for that purpose, there being no crematory in this city.

**Wool Markets Week.**

The New York Commercial Bulletin says of the wool market: The collapse of prices, 7 1/2 to 10 per cent, at the London auction has paralyzed business. The sales are the smallest yet, and only the protective tariff prevents a slump here. Most United States wool is of the fine and fine medium type, and the Montevideo and South American wools which most nearly correspond to it, still cost 70c clean lunder. Lord Roberts' recent successes in making holders of wool cling to old prices here in the hope that the present lack of confidence in European banking circles—the direct cause of the collapse abroad—may be remedied with a return to the normal prices which the increased supply and large consumption of wool would seem to demand.

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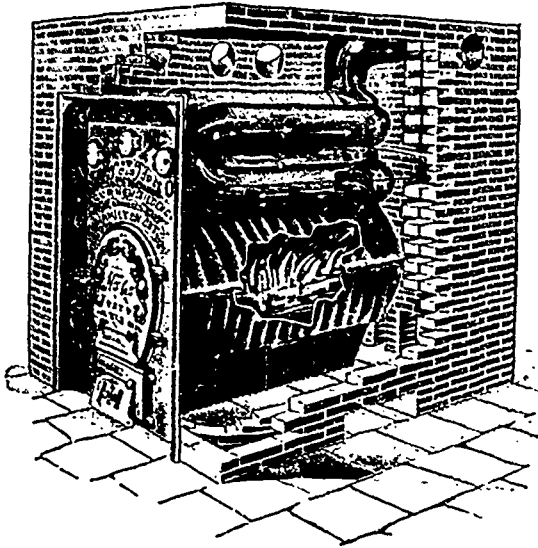
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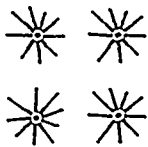
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**Winnipeg Hardware and Metal Prices.**

ANVILS—Per lb., 10 to 12 1-2c; anvil and vice combined, each \$3 to \$4.50.  
 AUGERS—Post hole, Vaughan's, each, 85 to \$1.35.  
 AXES—Bench, 30 and 10 per cent; chopping axes, per dozen, \$7 to \$12, double bit, per dozen, \$12 to \$18.  
 BARS—Crow, \$0.50 per 100 pounds.  
 BELLOWS—20-24, \$1.50. 26, \$1.95; 28, \$5.40; 30, \$5.85; 32, \$6.30; 34, \$7.25; 36, \$8.10; 38, \$9; 40, \$10.35.  
 BELTING—Agricultural, 65 per cent; No. 1, 80 per cent, extra, 50 per cent. off now list.  
 BITS, AUGER—American, 50 per cent; Jennings' Excelstor, 45 per cent.  
 BLUESTONE—6 1 1/2 lb.  
 BOLTS—Carriage, 12 1 1/2 per cent; machine, 45 per cent; plow, 40 per cent; sleigh shoe, 65 per cent; stove, 55 per cent; tire, 55 per cent.  
 BUILDING PAPER—Anchor, Cyclone, and Jubilee, plain, 65c; Cyclone and Jubilee tarred, 80c; Anchor, tarred, 70c; Shield, tarred, 55c.  
 BUTTS—Cast, loose pin, com. 60 per cent. Peter, oro., 33 1-3 per cent. wrought steel, narrow, 60 per cent, loose pin, 60 per cent, bronze, 45c up.  
 CARTRIDGES—Kilm fire, Am. discount, 40 per cent. Dom. 50 and 6 per cent; 40 per cent. centre fire, pistol, Am. discount 10 per cent. Dom. discount 30 per cent; military and sporting, Am. not list, Dom. 15 per cent.  
 CEMENT—Portland, barrel, \$1.25 to \$1.50.  
 CHAIN—Coll, proved, 3-16 in. per 100 lbs \$11; do. 1-4 in. \$9.00; do. 5-16 in. \$6.50, 3-8 in. \$8.00; do. 7-16 in. \$5.75; do. 1-2 in. and up, \$5.00. Jack, iron, single per dozen yards, 25c to \$1. Log, 6-10, \$3.50; 3-8, \$8.00. Trace, per dozen pairs, \$3.75 to \$5.50.  
 CHURNS—B. B. steel frame, 55 per cent; wood frame, 20 per cent less net.  
 COPPER—Tinned sheets, 28c; planished, 33c. boiler and T. K. pitta, plain tinned, per lb., 29c; spun, 33c.  
 FILES—Com. 70 per cent; Nicholson's and Black Diamond, 60 per cent.  
 GLUE—Sheets, 15c lb., broken, 12 1-2c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 18 to 25c.  
 GREASE, AXLE—Fraser's, per case, \$3.75; Diamond, light \$1.75 case; dark, \$1.75; Mica, \$3.00.  
 GRINDSTONES—\$1.50 100 lbs.  
 HAIR—Plasterers', 90c bale.  
 HARVEST TOOLS—55 per cent.  
 HORSESHOES—Iron shoes, keg, 0 and 1, \$4.90; 2 and larger, \$4.65. Less than full keg, 25c extra. Steel shoes, 0 and 1, \$5.20; 2 and larger, \$4.95.  
 HINGES—Heavy T and strap, per 100 lbs., \$6.25 to \$7.20; light do., 60 per cent; screw hook and hinge, 6 to 10 in. 5c per lb.; 12 in. up, per lb., 4c.  
 IRON—Bar iron, 100 lbs., base price, \$2.99, Range iron, 100 lbs., \$3.20 base. Swedish iron, 100 lbs., \$5.00 base. Sheet, black, 16 to 20 gauge, \$3.50; 22 to 26 gauge, \$3.75; 28 gauge, \$4.00. Galvanized, American, 16 gauge, \$4.25; 18 to 22, \$4.50; 24 gauge, \$4.75; 26 gauge, \$5.00; 28 gauge, \$5.25 per 100 lbs. Queen's head, 25c advance on Am. prices. Canada plates, Garth and Blaine, \$4.00. Imitation Russian sheets 7 to 8c; genuine Russian sheets, lb. 12 to 12c.  
 LEAD—Pig, per lb. 6c; sheet, 6 1-2c.  
 NAILS—Cut—30d up, \$3.30; 20d, \$3.35; 16d, \$3.40; 8d, \$3.45; 6d, \$3.60; 4d, \$3.70; 3d, \$3.95; 2d, \$4.20. Wire nails, 1-2 in. up, \$1.75; 4 in., \$3.80; 3 in., \$3.55; 3 1/2 in., \$3.90; 2 in., \$4.05; 1 1-2 in., \$4.15; 1 1/4 in., \$4.40; 1 in., \$4.75. Horse nails, pointed, finished, oval heads, list price, No. 5, \$7.50 box; No. 6, \$9.75 box; No. 7, \$9 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box; Nos. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box; discount on these prices, 40 per cent.  
 PICKS—Gray, \$7 doz; pick mattocks, \$8 dozen.  
 PIPE—Iron, black, per 100 feet, 1-4 inch, \$5.50 3-5 \$3.50; 1-2, \$4.00; 3-4, \$4.05; 1 in. \$6.70; 1 1-4 inch \$9.15; 1 1-2 in. \$11.05; 2 in., \$14.90. Sizes 2 1-2 to 6 1/2 per cent discount. Galvanized 1 1/2 \$5.90; 3-4, \$7.15; 1 in., \$10.20; 1 1/4 in. \$14.10 1 1/2 in., \$15.70; 2 in., \$22.50.  
 PIPE STOVE—6 in., \$9.25; 7 in., \$10.00 per 100 length.  
 PITCH—Pine \$4 per barrel,

PLASTER—Per barrel, \$3.25.  
 RIVETS AND BOLTS—Carriage, section 37 1-2 per cent; all rivets, black and tinned, 37 1-2 per cent. copper rivets and nuts, 33 1-2c; cartons 1c per lb. extra net.  
 ROPE—Cotton, 1-4 to 1-2 inch, and larger, 15c lb., deep sea, 10 1-2c; lath yarn, 11c; Manila, per lb., 16c base; sisal, 12 1-2c base.  
 SCREWS—F. H. Wright, discount 75, 10 per cent, R. H. discount 70; F. H. brass, discount 70; K. H. brass, discount 60 and 5 per cent. Bench, wood, per doz., \$3.75 to \$4.50; bench, iron, per doz., \$4.50 to \$6; coach screws, 37 1-2 per cent.  
 SHELLS—Loaded—Eley's black, 12 gauge, per 100, soft, \$1.65, chilled, \$1.80; 10 gauge, soft \$2.15, chilled \$2.30; Eley's smokeless, 12 gauge, soft \$2.10, chilled \$2.25. No. 10 gauge, soft \$2.00, chilled \$2.15.  
 SHOES—Soft, \$6 65 per lb., child \$7.15; buckshot, \$7.65; ball, 28, \$7.65.  
 SOLDER—Half and half, per lb., 22c.  
 SOLDERING IRONS—Per lb. 32c.  
 SPADES AND SHOVELS—10 per cent.  
 STEEL—Sleigh shoe, \$3.00 base; spring \$4.25 base; machinery, \$4.25 base; share com. \$4.75 base; share, crucible, \$5.50; toe calk, \$4.25 base; tire steel, \$3.75 base; cast tool steel, lb. 9 to 12 1-2c.  
 STEEL BOILER PLATE—3-16 inch, \$4.25 1-4 3-8 inch and thicker, \$4.00.  
 STAPLES—Galvanized, \$1.25 per 100 lbs.  
 TAR—Coal tar, per barrel, \$6.50.  
 TIN—Lamb and flag, 56 and 28 lb. ingots, per lb., 35c.  
 TIN PLATES—Charcoal plates, 10, 10 x 14, 12x12 and 14x20, \$5.75; 1 X same size box, \$8.75; 1 C, charcoal, 20 x28 112 sheets to box, \$11.00; 1 X box 20x28, 112 sheets, \$13.00.  
 TERNE PLATES—1 C, 20x28, \$10.50.  
 TINWARE—Plain, 75 and 2 1-2 per cent; returned, 70 and 10 per cent.  
 TRAPS—Game, H. & N., No. 0, \$1.92 doz. No. 1, \$2.25; No. 1 1/2, \$3.38; No. 2, \$4.75; No. 3, \$6.30; No. 4, \$7.42; No. 5, \$7.50.  
 TUBES—Roller, 2 inch, 10 1 1/2c per foot; 2 1 1/2 inch, 21 1-2c; 3 inch, 23c per foot.  
 VISES—B. S. Wright's 14c; Sampson, 40-60 pounds, \$6.50 to \$7 each, parallel, \$2 to \$7 each.  
 WADS—Grey felt, 75c per lb.; thin card wads in boxes of 500 each, 12 and smaller gauge, 20c per lb.; thin card wads in boxes of 500 each, 10 gauge, 25c per lb. Chemically prepared black edge gray cloth wads, in boxes of 250 each, 11 and smaller gauges, 65c per 1,000; 9 and 10 gauges, 75c per 1,000; 7 and 8 gauges, \$1 per 1,000.  
 WIRE—Brass and copper wire, 20 per cent advance on the list; clothes line wire, 18 gauge, per 1,000 feet, \$3.50. Galvanized 4 barb, regular, \$4.75, galvanized plain twist, \$3.75.  
 ZINC—Sheets, in casks, \$8 per 100 lbs.; broken lots, \$8.50.

ors, gallon, \$1.40 to \$1.90, as to shade and quality,  
 PUTTY—in bladders, barrel lots, 2 1-2c lb.; in 100 lb. kegs, 2 3-4c, do, less than barrels, 3c lb.  
 REFINED PETROLEUM—Sliver Star, 20 1-2c. Oleoplene, 23c; Saultlight, 2 1-2c; and Ecocum, 26 1-2c per gallon.  
 TURBINE—Pure spirits in barrels, 83c; less than barrels, 35c per gallon. An additional charge for packages for small quantities.  
 VARNISHES—No. 1 furniture, per gallon, \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.60; elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$1.50 to \$1.75; hard oil finish, \$1.60; to \$2; brown Japan, \$1; house painters' gold size Japan, \$1.70; coach painters' do., \$2 to \$2.25; No. 1 brown shellac, \$2.25; pure orange shellac, \$2.50.  
 WHITE LEAD—Pure, \$7.50 per 100 lbs.; No. 1, \$7.25.  
 WHITING—\$1.25 per 100 lbs. gross weight,

**Winnipeg Lumber Prices.**

Following are wholesale prices, delivered at Winnipeg, for pine lumber:  
 TIMBER AND DIMENSION—Timber, 4x10 and 12, 6x10 and 12 and 8x8 to 12x12, 12, 14 and 16 feet long, \$20.00. Timber 6x6 to 6x8, 4x4 to 4x8 and 3x6 to 3x12, 12, 14 and 16 feet long, \$18.50; dimension, 2x4 to 2x12, 12, 14 and 16 feet long, \$17.50; dimension, 2x4, 10 feet long, \$18; dimension, 2x8 to 2x12, 10 feet long, \$17.50; dimension, 2x6, 10 feet long, 10.50; dimension, 2x4 to 2x12, 6 and 8 feet long, \$15; cull plank all widths, \$12.00; cull plank, re-sawn, \$12.00. \$1 per M. advance on each inch over 12 in. in depth and width. \$1 per M advance on each 2 feet over 16 feet.  
 BOARDS—First common boards, red pine, 10 to 18 feet, \$23.00; second common, 10 to 18 feet, \$18.00; third common, 10 to 18 feet, \$17.50; culls, 10 to 18 feet, \$10.00; 1-2 inch sheathing, S. I. S., 10 to 18 feet, \$14.00; second common stock, 12 in., 10 to 18 feet, \$19.50; second common stock, 8 to 10 in. 10 to 18 feet, \$18.50; No. 1 wide box boards, 10 to 18 feet, \$28.00. No. 2 wide box boards, 10 to 18 feet, \$20.50. \$2 per M. less for 6 and 8 feet. Re-sawing boards \$1 per M extra.  
 SHIP LAP—Ship lap, 8 and 10 in., \$19; ship lap, 6 in., \$18.00; ship lap, culls, 8 and 10 in., \$16.50; culls, 6 in., \$13.50. \$2 per M. less for 8 feet and under.  
 FLOORING, SIDING AND CEILING—Flooring and siding, 8 and 10 in., \$20.00; flooring and siding, 8 and 10 in. culls, \$16.50; flooring, siding and ceiling, 4, 5 and 6 in., first white pine, \$38.00; do., second white pine, \$32.00; do., third white pine, \$25; do., 5 and 6 in., first and second red pine, \$27.50; do., 4 in. first and second red pine, \$3.00; do., 5 and 6 in. third red pine, \$22.50; do., 4 in. third red pine, \$21.50; do., 5 and 6 in. fourth red and white pine, \$19.50; do., 4 in. fourth red and white pine, \$17.50; do., 4, 5 and 6 in. culls, \$16.50. \$2 per M less for 8 feet and under. \$1 per M advance for dressing two sides 1 1-4 and 1 1-2 in. flooring \$1 per M advance over 1 in. Bevel siding, No. 1, 1-2 in x 6 in., \$21.50; bevel siding, No. 2, 1-2 in x 6 in., \$18.50.  
 FINISHING—1 1-4, 1 1-2 and 2 in. first, second and third clear white pine, \$15.50; do. select white pine, \$35.50; do. shop, \$30.50. \$3 per M advance on 2 1-2 in. and thicker. 1 1-4, 1 1-2 and 2 in. clear red pine, \$31.50; do. select red pine \$27.00; 1 in. first and second clear white pine, \$18.00; do. third clear white pine, \$37.00; do. B. select white pine, \$30.50; do. C. select white pine, \$26.50; No. 1 stock white pine, 12 in. \$42.00; do. 8 and 10 in., \$40; No. 2 stock white pine, 12 in., \$37.00; do. 8 and 10 in., \$35.00; No. 3 white and red pine, 12 in. \$30; do. 8 and 10 in., \$28.00; 1 in. clear red pine, \$31.50; do. select, \$26.50. Selected widths, \$2 per M. extra.  
 MOULDINGS—Parting strips, per 100 lineal feet, 40c window stops, do., 50c; door stops, do., 75c. quarter round and core, do., 50c; 4 in. casing, do., \$1.60; 5 in. casing, do., \$2; 6 in. casing, do., \$2.40; 8 in. base do., \$2.25; 10 in. base, do., \$4. All other mouldings 50 per cent discount off universal moulding list. Latb. per M. \$3.50. pine shingles, 6 in. clear butts, per M. \$1.75.

**Winnipeg Prices Paints Oils, Glass, Etc.**

ALABASTINE—Cases of 20 packages, \$6.50. Muralo, do., \$6.50.  
 BENZINE—Case, \$3.50.  
 DRY COLORS—White lead, lb. 7 1-2c; red lead, keg, 7c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 2 1-2c. less than barrels 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 3 1-2c. less than barrels 4c; Venetian red, barrels 3c, less than barrels 3 1-2c; American vermilion, 15c English vermilion, \$1 per lb.; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots, 2 1-2c. less than barrel lots 3c; English purple oxides, in casks, 3 1-2c, less quantities 4c lb.  
 GASOLINE—Stove, per case, \$1.50.  
 GLASS—Single glass, first break, 10 to 25 united inches, \$2.50; 26 to 40, \$2.75 per 50 feet boxes; 41 to 50, \$6.00; 51 to 60, \$6.50; 61 to 70, \$7.00 per 100 feet boxes.  
 LINSEED OIL—Raw, gal., 32c; bottled, gal., 95c in barrels, less than barrels, 5c gal extra, with additional charges for cans and cases.  
 OILS—Black oils, 25 to 30c gal.; clear machine oil, 30 to 33c; cylinder oil, 53 to 78c, as to quality; castor oil, 11c per lb.; tanners' or harness oil, 65c; neatfoot oil, \$1; steam refined oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2.00 gal.  
 PREPARED PAINTS—Pure liquid col-

**New York Wheat.**

New York, May 14.—Wheat, May, opened 70 1-4c, closed 70 3-8c n, July opened 71 1-2c, closed 71 7-8c n. Sept. opened 72 5-8c a, closed 72 7-8c.

New York, May 15.—Wheat, May opened 70 1-4c, closed 70 3-8c. July opened 71 5-8c, closed 71 3-4c b. Sept. opened 72 1-2c, closed 72 5-8c.

New York, May 16.—Wheat, May opened 70 5-8c b, closed 70 1-8c b. July opened 71 3-4c, closed 71 1-4c. Sept. opened 72 5-8c, closed 72 1-8c b.

New York, May 17.—Wheat, May opened —, closed 70 1-2c July opened 72 1-4c, closed 71 7-8c n. Sept. opened 73 1-8c, closed 72 1-4c.

New York, May 18.—Wheat, May opened 70 1-2c, closed 71 1-4c. July opened 71 3-4c, closed 72 3-8c. Sept. opened 72 1-2, closed 72 1-8c.

New York, May 19.—May wheat closed to-day at 71 1-2. July closed 72 5-8c.

**Chicago Board of Trade Prices.**

Chicago, May 14.—Wheat, May opened 64 1-4c, closed 65 1-8c. July opened 65 3-4, closed 66 1-4. Corn, May opened 36 1-4c, closed 36 1-8c a. July opened 37c, closed 37 1-4c a. Oats, May opened 21 5-8c, closed 21 3-4c b. July opened 21 7-8c, closed 22c. Pork, May opened \$11.45, closed \$11.50. July opened \$11.57 1-2, closed \$11.62 1-2. Lard, May opened \$6.82 1-2, July opened \$6.87 1-2, closed \$6.57 1-2. Ribs, May, opened \$6.50, July opened \$6.57 1-2, closed \$6.57 1-2. Flax, cash, \$1.80. May opened \$1.80. Sept. opened \$1.23 1-2 b. Oct. \$1.17 1-2 b.

Chicago, May 15.—Wheat, May opened 64 3-4c, closed 64 7-8c n. July opened 66 1-8c, closed 66 1-4c b. Corn, May opened 36 1-8c, closed 36 5-8c n. July opened 37c, closed 36 1-2c b. Oats, May opened 21 5-8c, closed 21 3-4c. July opened 21 7-8c, closed 21 7-8c. Pork, May opened \$11.50, closed \$11.55 n. July opened \$11.62 1-2, closed \$11.67 1-2. Lard, May opened —, July opened \$6.92 1-2, closed \$6.95. Ribs, May opened —, July opened \$6.00, closed \$6.65 a. Flax, cash \$1.80. May \$1.80. Sept. \$1.23 b. Oct. \$1.20 b.

Chicago, May 16.—Wheat, May opened 65 1-4c, closed 65 to 3-8c n. July opened 66 1-4 to 3-8c, closed 66 3-4c b. Corn, May opened 35 5-8c, closed 37 1-8c a. July opened 36 3-4 to 7-8c, closed 38c b. Oats, May closed 22 1-4c. July opened 22c, closed 22 1-4c. Pork, May closed \$11.70 n. July opened \$11.70, closed at \$11.87 1-2. Lard, July opened \$7, closed \$7.07 1-2. Ribs, opened July \$6.70, closed \$6.72 1-2 b.

Chicago, May 17.—Wheat, May opened 65 3-8c, closed 64 7-8c n. July opened 66 3-4c to 7-8c, closed 66 3-8c b. Corn, May opened 37 1-4c, closed 37 1-4c b. July opened 38 to 1-8c, closed 38c b. Oats, May opened 22c, closed 22 1-4c b. July opened 22 5-8c to 1-4c, closed 22 1-4c. Pork, May opened —, closed \$11.67 1-2 n. July opened \$11.75, closed \$11.80. Lard, July opened \$7.02 1-2, closed \$7.07 1-2 b. Sept. opened \$7.05, closed \$7.07 1-2 b. Ribs, July opened \$6.67 1-2, closed \$6.72 1-2. Sept. opened \$6.67 1-2, closed \$6.70. Flax, cash \$1.80. May \$1.80. Sept. \$1.27 1-2 b. ct. & \$1.22 1-2 a.

Chicago, May 18.—Wheat, May opened 64 7-8c b, closed 65 7-8c. July opened 66 to 1-8c, closed 66 1-8c a. Corn, May opened 37 1-4c, closed 37 5-8c b. July opened 37 3-4 to 7-8c, closed 38 1-4c n. Oats, May opened 22 1-4c b, closed 22 1-8c a. July opened 23 1-8c, closed 22 3-8c. Pork, May opened \$11.02 1-2, closed \$11.07 1-2. July opened \$11.75, closed \$11.80. Lard, July opened \$7, closed \$7.05 a. Sept. opened \$7.05, closed \$7.07 1-2. Ribs, July opened \$6.65, closed \$6.70 b. Sept. opened \$6.76 1-2, closed \$6.70 n. Flax, cash —.

Chicago, May 19.—July wheat opened at 67 1-4c, and ranged from 67 to 67 1-2c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—May, 65 3-4c; July, 67 to 67 1-8c.

Corn—May, 37 3-8c; July, 38c.  
Oats—May, 22 1-2c; July, 23 1-4c.  
Pork—May, \$11.65.  
Lard—May, \$6.97 1-2.  
Ribs—\$6.65.

A week ago July option closed at 65 3-4c. A year ago July wheat closed at 75 1-2c, two years ago at \$1.11 1-2, three years ago at 72c; four years ago at 61c. five years ago at 79 1-2c, and six years ago at 55 3-8c.

**CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.**

Chicago, May 19.—The market for flax seed closed to-day at \$1.80 for cash and May.

**DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.**

No 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows for each day of the week:

Monday—May, 66 5-8c, July, 67 1-8c.  
Tuesday—May, 66 3-4c; July, 67 1-8c.  
Wednesday—May, 67 1-4c, July, 67 3-8c.

Thursday—May, 66 7-8c, July, 67 1-4c.

Friday—May, 67 3-8c; July, 67 3-4c.  
Saturday—May 67 1-4c; July 67 5-8c.  
On Saturday cash 1 hard closed at 69c, and cash 1 northern at 67 1-4c.

A week ago July wheat closed at 66 1-2c. A year ago July wheat closed at 75 3-4c, two years ago at \$1.54 1-2 three years ago at 67 1-4c; four years ago at 62 1-2c.

**MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.**

Minneapolis, May 19.—Wheat closed at 65 1-4c for May and July, cash No. 1 hard closed at 67 1-4c, and cash No. 1 northern at 65 3-4c.

**LIVERPOOL WHEAT.**

Liverpool, May 19.—Holiday. No market.

**WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.**

Wheat closed dull and unchanged at 68 1-2c for No. 1 hard spot or May delivery in store Fort William.

**BRITISH LIVE STOCK MARKETS.**

London, May 14.—The trade in American cattle was sharp; in consequence the tone of the market was strong and prices show an advance of 1-2c since this day week, choice stock selling at 13 3-4c. There were no Canadian cattle on the market.

Liverpool, May 14.—A private cable quoted choice Canadian cattle at 13c, and sheep at 15c.

London, May 14.—A private cable quoted choice Canadian cattle at 13c.

**GRAIN TRADE CHANGES.**

W. L. Parrish, a well known Winnipeg grain dealer, and president of the Winnipeg grain exchange, is giving up business to take the management of the Winnipeg branch of The Van Dusen-Harrington Co., brokers, of Minneapolis. This latter business was until lately carried on by Beach & Co. H. W. Eyres will remain in charge of Mr. Parrish's business until it is wound up. In connection with this item it may be stated that Mr. Parrish has resigned the presidency of the grain exchange. Vice-President Wm. Martin has been elected president and C. A. Young has been elected vice-president.

**GRAIN EXCHANGE PRESIDENCY.**

W. L. Parrish has resigned the presidency of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange owing to the fact that The Van Dusen-

Harrington Co., of which he has taken the management, has a contract with the Grain Exchange for supplying quotations. On this account Mr. Parrish feels that it would not be proper for him to retain his office as president of the exchange. Many expressions of regret were made at the meeting of the exchange, on account of the resignation, as Mr. Parrish has made a very efficient officer.

**TRADING STAMPS.**

The new trading stamp system in Winnipeg will be inaugurated this week, by which time the local company will have the merchants supplied with stamps. Nearly all the retail merchants in the city will use the new stamps, so that consumers will find it to their advantage to gather the local company's stamps in preference to the old stamps, as a much larger number of merchants will be using the new stamps.

**LATE WESTERN BUSINESS ITEMS.**

Toelcher & Klump have opened a butcher shop and flour and feed store at Wapella, Assa.

A daily mail service was inaugurated this week on the Glenboro branch of the C. P. R. The service was formerly tri-weekly.

The provincial department of agriculture is making enquiries into an alleged outbreak of grasshoppers in Southern Manitoba.

Tenders are wanted for the erection of a school building in Castle Hill school district, Manitoba, D. S. Woosnam, Carberry, is secretary.

P. Gallagher, of Winnipeg, was in Pilot Mound this week looking after the shipment of a lot of cattle and logs which he had purchased in that district.

McAllister & Watt announce that they have just received a large consignment of manilla, red, brown and violet wrapping paper at their warehouses in Winnipeg.

Winnipeg is for the time being receiving supplies of newspaper from the south until the Canadian factories are rebuilt. The papers costs laid down here, a little more than the old prices for Canadian makes.

The Painters' Union of Winnipeg has ordered a strike to commence Monday morning unless their employers in the meantime agree to sign a new wage and time bill which has been submitted to them.

H. G. Middleton, of H. G. Middleton & Bro., wholesale boots and shoes, Winnipeg, is now on the road in the west showing his line of home manufactured, hand-made goods. Some time ago Mr. Middleton conceived the idea that there would be a demand in the west for a class of goods superior to any of the ordinary factory lines on the market. Acting on this idea he started making in Winnipeg a small hand-made boot, specially designed for the western mining districts. He used the very best stock available, with the object of securing a boot that would fill the requirements as to quality rather than for cheapness of price. The boot was received with favor in the quarter expected, and since then other lines have been added. This season Mr. Middleton has considerably extended his lines and now shows quite a range of samples of hand-made goods, made right here in Winnipeg, thus establishing quite a promising local industry.

**TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.**  
Special to The Commercial.

**DRY GOODS**--Trade is better owing to warmer weather. Sorting orders have been numerous. Fall business is fair and staples firm. American cotton goods have been offering but no sales have been made so far as known.

**HARDWARE**--A good many sorting orders are coming in but confidence as to the stability of prices in some lines has been shaken by the recent drop in prices and this checks business. Putty is 20c per cwt. dearer. Linseed oil and turpentine are 2c higher. Terms on varnished ware is now six months, 3 per cent. off for cash. Green wire cloth makers have advanced prices 15 to 20 per cent, but jobbers quotations are the same. Sisal and manila rope are 1-2c lower. American makers of tinned spoons and forks have reduced prices 5 per cent. Pig tin is 2c lower at 35 to 36c. Barbed wire is lower. Staples are lower at \$3.60 plain, \$3.85 galvanized. Fears of a shortage in harvest tools are felt owing to burning of the Welland Valve Co.'s factory. Stocks here are fair. United States makers have reduced discount on brass from 15 to 10 per cent.

**GROCERIES**--Trade quiet. Prices steady. The trade here has fixed the price for Horseshoe salmon at \$1.55 for singles and \$1.52 1/2 for five case lots. This is 2 1/2 to 5c higher than last week. There is more interest in canned vegetables for future delivery but prices are unchanged. Corn stocks are exhausted and this line is higher at \$1.12 1/2 to \$1.15. Navel and Valencia oranges have advanced 50c. Mes-sinas are 75c to \$1.25 higher.

**TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**  
Special to The Commercial.

Grain deliveries have been light. Wheat was higher yesterday, and Ontario flour was held 5c higher. Butter is becoming more plentiful. Dairy butter is 1-2c lower. Eggs are easier. Hens have about stopped laying. Cuts are 1-2c lower. Dressed hogs are up 1-4c per pound. Cured meats are firm, rolls being quoted 1-2c higher. Hides weaker. Wool easy. Buyers looking off.

Flour--Manitoba patent, \$4.00 to \$4.10, Manitoba bakers, \$3.70, car lots. Ontario patent, \$2.75 to \$2.95 per barrel for carlots at country mills. Wheat--Ontario winter wheat 64 1/2 to 65c for carlots at country points. Ontario spring, 64 1/2 to 65c at eastern points; No. 1 hard, 77 1/2c Toronto, and 78 1/2c gruding in transit.

Oats -- 26 to 27 1/2c at country points for carlots, as to quality and freights. Barley--No. 2, 41 to 42c, country points. Milfeed--Shorts, \$14.50 to \$15 per ton bran, \$12.50 to \$13 per ton for cars at country mills. Oatmeal--\$3.20 in bags per barrel, and \$3.35 in wood for carlots, Toronto. Eggs--New laid, 11 1/2 to 12c per dozen. Butter--Dairy, in tubs, 12 to 13c; creamery, tubs, 17 to 18c. Cheese--11 1/2c for new goods for job lots to the local trade and 13c for old. Hides--\$3.4c for No. 1 cows; No. 1 heavy steers, 9 1/4c; country hides 1-2c under those prices; sheepskins, \$1.25 to \$1.40; spring lambs, 15 to 20c;

calfskins, 10c for No. 1, and 9c for No. 2 tallow, 5 1/2c. Wool--Washed fleece, 15 to 16c; unwashed, 10 to 11c. Beans--\$1.65 to \$1.75 per bushel for choice hand picked. Dried Apples--5 1/2 to 6c for round lots; evaporated, 6 3/4 to 7c. Honey--Held at 9 to 10c in bulk. Maple Syrup--Quoted at 95c for wine gallon, and \$1.10 to \$1.25 for imperial gallon. Poultry--Chickens, 50 to 80c per pair; turkeys, 12 to 13c per pound. Potatoes--Quoted at 34 to 37c per bag for car lots. Hogs--Dressed hogs, \$7.25 to \$7.50 per 100 pounds for car lots on track, as to grade. Seed--Timothy, \$1.50 to \$2.00 per 100 lbs.; red clover, \$5 to \$6; alsike, \$4.50 to \$7.50; Hungarian grass, 65 to 80c; millet, 85c.

**TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET**  
Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, May 16. Receipts at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 1,000 cattle, 350 sheep and lambs, and 1,200 hogs. Export Cattle--Demand brisk. Prices steady. Choice weighing from 1,200 to 1,800 lbs, sold at \$4.80 to \$4.85, and \$4.25 to \$4.40 for lighter stock. One bunch of extra choice exporters sold at \$5 per cwt. Export bulls, \$3.75 to \$4.25 for heavy. Light, \$3.25 to \$3.65.

Butchers' Cattle--Market steady. Choice quoted at \$4 to \$4.25; medium and common, steady at \$3.25 to \$3.90 per cwt. Feeders--A good demand at higher prices. Choice, averaging 900 and 1,200 lbs each, brought \$4 to \$4.40 per cwt. Stock steers \$3.25 to \$3.75 per cwt. Stockers--Heavy stockers, \$3.25 to \$3.75 per cwt.

Sheep and lambs--Lower at \$4.50 to \$6 for yearlings, spring lambs, \$2.50 to \$4.50 each, and butchers' sheep at \$3 to \$4 each. Hogs--The market was 1-8c per cwt lower all round, choice being quoted at \$6.12 1/2, light at \$5.37 1/2, heavy and corn fed \$5.62 1/2, and sows at \$3 each.

**FRIDAY'S MARKET.**  
Toronto, May 19.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts were 63 carloads, including 1,000 cattle, 250 sheep and lambs, and 1,200 hogs. Cattle were firm. Butchers' cattle were higher, choicest touching 41-2c. Export cattle firm and higher tendency. Spring lambs firmer at \$2.50 to \$4.75. Yearlings lower at \$4.50 to \$5 per 100 lbs. Hogs steady at Tuesday's prices.

**MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE**  
Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, May 19. Oats are easier at 3-4c decline. Barley is 4c lower. Flour is dull and steady. Feed is weaker owing to lighter demand. Meal unchanged. Hides quiet and steady. Eggs are 1-2c higher. Butter steady at last week's prices. New cheese shows a lower tendency. Beans are dull at 10c decline. Potatoes unchanged. Cured meats and dressed hogs steady. Oats--\$11-2 to \$13-4c, after May. Barley--No. 1, afloat, May, 50c. Flour--Prices to the trade delivered are: Manitoba strong bakers, \$3.50 to \$3.70; Manitoba patents, \$3.80 to \$4.00. Milfeed--Bran, \$16.50 to \$17 per ton, shorts, \$17.00 to \$18.00, including sacks. Oatmeal--Rolled oats \$3.30 to \$3.35

per barrel on track and \$1.60 to \$1.62 1/2 per sack. Hides--No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c. No. 1 buffs, 9 1/2 to 10c. calfskins, No. 1, 11c; No. 2, 9c. lambskins, 15c; tallow, 4 to 4 1/2c. Eggs--Strictly fresh, 11 1/2 to 12 1/2c. Butter--Choice, fresh dairy, 15 to 15 1/2c. Butter--Choice creamery, 17c per lb. Cheese--Finest old, 12 1/2c; fodder cheese, 10 1/2 to 10 1/2c. Maple Syrup--New syrup, 65 to 70c per imperial gallon or 61-2 to 7c per pound. Pure sugar, \$1-2 to 9c per pound.

Honey--White clover in comb 34 to 15c per lb.; white extracted in large tins 9 to 9 1/2c. Beans--\$1.60 per bushel, as to quality. Potatoes--30 to 35c per bag on track. Dressed Hogs--\$7.25 to \$7.50 per 100 lbs.

Cured Meats--Heavy Canadian short cut mess pork, \$18.00 to \$18.50; pure Canadian hard, 9 1/2 to 10 1/2c per pound compound refined, 7 to 8c; hams, 12 to 14c; bacon, 11 1/2 to 13c per pound.

**MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES**  
Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, May 15. Receipts of live stock at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 500 cattle and 250 sheep and lambs. Cattle steady and firm, with good demand from butchers. Exporters not active buyers owing to scarcity of ocean space. Values in London for Canadian cattle are 2 to 3c higher than a year ago. Sheep are also higher than a year ago, but the high freight rate more than makes up the difference. Choice cattle sold at 41-2 to 5c, good at 4 to 4 1/2c; fair at 3 1/2 to 3 3/4c; common at 3c to 3 1/4c, and inferior at 2 1/2 to 2 3/4c lb. Bulls sold at 3c to 4c per lb. There was a good demand for choice sheep from shippers at 4 to 4 1/2c lb. The demand for butchers' sheep was good at \$4 to \$7 each, as to quality. Lambs active at \$2.50 to \$5 each, as to size and quality.

At the Grand Trunk stock yards live hogs, ruled steady at \$5.75 to \$5.90 per 100 lbs. off cars.

**THURSDAY'S MARKETS.**  
Montreal, May 18.

At the East End abattoir yesterday receipts were light. Best steers brought 43-4c, the range being from 4 to 43-4c for fair to choice. Common grades sold at 3 to 3 1/2c. Sheep brought 33-4 to 4c. Lambs \$2.50 to \$5.00 each. Hogs sold firm at Monday's prices.

**MONTREAL BARLEWARE AND PAINT PRICES.**  
Special to The Commercial.

May 19, 1900. Paints and oils are strong. Putty advanced 20c per 100 pounds. Hardware is active and weaker in some lines.

**LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET.**  
By wire to The Commercial.

Liverpool, May 18. New cheese is quoted at 55s for totu white and colored which is 6s higher than the opening quotation on new cheese last spring.

**LONDON SUGAR MARKET.**  
Special to The Commercial.

London, May 18. Bret steady; May, 10s 6d; July, 10s 6 3/4d.



WINNIPEG PRICES CURRENT

GROCERIES

Prices to retail dealers for ordinary lot, with usual discounts for cash or large lots.

Canned Goods Per case Apples, 35, 2 doz. 2 15 2 35 Apples, preserved, 35, 2 doz. 3 00 3 35 Apples, gallons (per doz.) 3 20 3 5 Black or Lawton berries, 25, 2 doz. 2 35 3 50 Beans, 25, 2 doz. 2 00 2 30 Corn, 25, 2 doz. 2 40 2 40 Cherries, red, pitted 25, 2 doz 3 00 4 00 Peas, Marrowfat, 25, 2 doz. 1 85 1 85 Peas, sifted, 25, 2 doz. 2 25 2 25 Peas, Bartlett, 25, 2 doz. 1 25 1 25 Peas, California, 3/4s, 2 doz. 4 50 4 75 Peas, Bartlett, 35, 2 doz. 5 00 5 50 Pineapple, imported, 25, 2 doz 5 00 6 00 Peaches, 25, 2 doz. 1 90 2 25 Peaches, California, 3/4s, 2 doz 5 00 5 50 Peaches, Canadian, 35, 2 doz 6 50 7 00 Plums, 25, 2 doz. 2 75 3 00 Plums, California, 3/4s, 2 doz 4 50 4 50 Pumpkins, 35, 2 doz. 1 00 1 25 Raspberries, 25, 2 doz. 1 00 1 25 Strawberries, 25, 2 doz. 3 00 3 25 Tomatoes, 35, 2 doz. 3 50 4 00 Salmon, talls, 15, 4 doz. 5 25 6 00 Salmon, Cohoes talls, 15, 4 doz. 7 50 8 00

Imported Fresh Herring, 15, 1 doz 1 50 Imp. Kipperd Herrings, 15, 1 doz 1 75 1 85 Imp. Herrings, Tom. Sauce 15 1 80 1 90 Imp. " Anch. Sauce 15 1 80 1 90 Imp. " Shrimp Sauce 15 1 90 2 00

Canned Meats Per case Corn Beef, 15, 2 doz. 1 20 3 25 Corn Beef, 25, 1 doz. 85 3 00 Lunch Beef, 25, 1 doz. 2 90 3 00 Lunch Tongue, 15, 2 doz. 6 00 6 25 Lunch Tongue, U.S. 25, 1 doz 6 75 Lunch Tongue, Can. 25, 1 doz 6 00 Brown, 25, 1 doz. 2 60 3 00 Pigs Feet, 15, 2 doz. 2 50 2 90 Roast Beef, 25, 1 doz. 2 85 3 00

Chicken, Duck or Turkey, 15, 50 2 60 Potted Ham, 1/4s. 65 70 Devilled Ham, 1/4s 65 70 Potted Tongue, 1/4s. 65 70 Potted Ham, 1/2s. 30 1 40 Devilled Ham, 1/4s. 30 1 40 Potted Tongue, 1/4s. 30 1 40

Coffee Per pound Green Rio. 11 11 1/2 Inferior grades 10 1/2

Cereals Per sack Split Peas, sack 95 2 50 Pot Barley, sack 95 2 30 4 40 Pearl Barley, sack 95 3 75 4 00 Rolled Oatmeal, sack 80 1 75 Standard Oatmeal, sack 95 2 25 Granulated Oatmeal, sack 95 2 25 Beans (per bushel) 2 10 2 15 Cornmeal, sack 95 1 30 Commmeal, 1/2 sac 49 (per 1/2 sac) 0 65

Rice, B. 4 1/2c 4 3/4c Patna 5 1/2c 5 1/2c Rice, Japan 5 1/2c 5 1/2c Sage 4 1/2c 4 1/2c Tapioca 5 1/2c 5 1/2c

Cigarettes Per M Old Judge \$7 50 Athlete 8 50 Sweet Caporal 8 50 Sweet Sixteen 5 50 Derby 6 30 T. & B. 8 20

Cured Fish Boneless Hake, per lb 05 05 1/2 Codfish, whole cases, 100 lbs. 6 50 Codfish, Pure per lb 7 1/2 Herrings, in half-barrels. 4 00 Digby chicks 16

Dried Fruits Currants, new, Prov'l Bbls. 05 1/2 5 1/2 Currants, Prov'l Cases 5 1/2 5 1/2 Currants, Prov'l 1/2 Barrels. 05 1/2 5 1/2 Currants, Filatiria, bbls. 05 1/2 5 1/2 Currants, Filatiria, cases 05 1/2 5 1/2 Currants, cleaned, cases 07 7 1/2 Dates, Cases 07 1/2 6 8 Figs, Klemme, about 10 lb box. 20 22 Figs, Globe Box, per doz 1 80 2 00 Figs, Cooking, S-c 06 1/2 07 Figs, boxes 07 1/2 08 Figs, Tapnets 09 5 1/2 Figs, Portuguese, boxes 06 1/2 07 Sultana Raisins. 10 1/2 11

Dried Fruits Per pound Raisins, Val., fine, off stalk 2 50 Raisins, Selected, off stalk 2 00 Raisins, Val. Layers, per box 2 50 Clusters, 3 Crown. 2 75

Loose Muscatels, 2 crown 8 1/2 Loose Muscatels, 3 crown 9 Loose Muscatels, 4 crown 9 London Layers, 20 lb Boxes. 1 90 Apples, Dried. 07 1/2 Kwap Apples, finest quality. 07 3/4 08

California Evaporated Fruits Peaches, peeled 17 18 Peaches, unpeeled. 11 12 Pears 12 1/2 13 Apricots. 17 1/2 18 Pitted Plums 11 11 1/2 Nectarines. 13 13 1/2 Prunes, 100 to 120 5 1/2 5 1/2 Prunes, 90 to 100. 5 1/2 6 Prunes, 80 to 90. 6 1/2 6 Prunes, 70 to 80. 6 1/2 6 Prunes, 60 to 70. 7 1/2 Prunes, 40 to 50. 8 1/2

Matches Per case Telegraph \$4 90 Telephone 4 75 Tiger 4 65 Parlor Matches, Eagle 1 75

Nuts Per pound Brazilis 11 12 1/2 Taragona Almonds 15 15 1/2 Peanuts, roasted 11 11 1/2 Peanuts, green 9 10 Grenoble Walnuts. 14 1/2 15 French Walnuts 13 14 Sicily Filberts 13 11 Shelled Almonds 30 35

Syrup Extra Bright, per lb. 34 3 1/2c Medium, per lb 2 1/2c 3c Maple, case 1 doz. 1/2 gal. tins 6 75 7 00 Glucose, brls 3 1/2 half-brls. 3 1/2 Molasses, per gal. (New Or.) 37c 40c Porto Rico 45 46 Barbadoes 50 53

Sugar Extra Standard Gran. 5 20 German Granulated 5 10 Extra Ground 7c Powdered 6 1/2c Lumps 6 1/2c Bright Yellow Sugar 4 1/2 American 4 1/2 Maple Sugar 13 1/2c 15c

Salt Per pound Rock Salt 1 1/2c 1 1/2c Common, fine. 2 00 Common, coarse. 2 00 Dairy, 100 3 25 3 50 Dairy, 60-5 3 15 3 30

Splces Per doz Assorted Herbs, 1/2 lb tins. 75 90

Allspice, whole 18 20 Allspice, pure ground 18 22 Allspice, compound 15 18 Cassia, whole 18 20 Cassia, pure ground 20 25 Cassia, compound 13 18 Cloves, whole 17 20 Cloves, pure ground 25 30 Cloves, compound 15 20

Pepper, black, whole 16 17 Pepper, black, pure ground 15 20 Pepper, black, compound 10 13 Pepper, white, whole 23 25 Pepper, white, pure ground 25 30 Pepper, white, compound 15 20 Pepper, Cayenne 25 30 Ginger, whole, Jamaica 25 30 Ginger, whole, Cochin. 20 25 Ginger, pure ground 23 25 Ginger, compound. 15 25 Nutmegs, (per pound). 55 80 Mace (per pound). 75 80

Teas Per pound China Blacks— Choice 35 40 Medium 25 35 Common 13 20 Indian and Ceylon— Choice 32 40 Medium 25 32 Common 16 22 Young Hysons— Choice 35 45 Medium 25 35 Common 22 30

Japan— Finest May Picking. 35 40 Choice 30 35 Fine 25 30 Good Medium 20 25 Common 15 20

Tobacco Per pound T. & B. 35, 45, and 95 Cads 00 70 Lily, 85, cads 00 61 Crescent, 85, cads. 00 58 T. & B. Black Cheewing, Scors 00 6 1/2 T. & B. Mahogany Cheewing, 85 or 16 00 6 1/2 T. & B. 1-12 pkg, cut 00 85 T. & B. 1-5 pkg, cut. 00 85 T. & B. in pouches, 1-4 00 85 T. & B. in 1-5 tins. 00 86 T. & B. in 1/2 tins 00 81 T. & B. in 15 tins 00 83 Orinoco, 1-12 pkg. 00 81 Orinoco, 1-5 tins 00 80 Orinoco, 1/2 tins 00 86 Tucketts Cherub Cigarette 1-12 00 85 Brier, 85, cads 00 63 Derby, 35 and 45, cads. 00 65 Derby, 85, cads 00 65 P. & W. Cheewing, Cads. 00 65 P. & W. Cheewing, Butts. 00 65 Tonka, 1/2 tins 00 60 Tonka, 1 1/2 pkg 00 83 Canadian Leaf, 50 lb bales, very bright 21 Lower grades 12 1/2

Dominion Tobacco Co.'s List. BRIGHT CHEWING PLUG. Pommery, 10 1/2 s. 72 Sminax, Bars 3 s. 62 Holly, 5 s and 15 s 53 Caramel, Bars, 75 48

BLACK CHEWING PLUG. Black Bass, Bars, 10 1/2 s. 40 Black Bass, 6 s and 8 s. 43

BRIGHT SMOKING PLUG. Virgin Gold, 3 1/2 s. 68 Virgin Gold, 9 s 68 Bulls Eye, 3 1/2 s and 5 s 40

Empire Tobacco Co.'s List SMOKING. Empire, 35 @ 4 1/2 37 Golden Plug, 35 58 Royal Oak, 85 53 Something Good, 75 54

CHEWING. Currency, Bars, 10 1/2 s. 40 Currency, 6 s 40 Free Trade, 8 s 45 Snowshoe, Bars, 12 s 45

Wooden Ware Per doz. Pails, 2 hoop clear. 1 95 2 00 Pails, wire hoop. 2 20 2 25 Pails, Star fibre 3 50

Tubs, No. 0 common 14 50 12 00 Tubs, No. 1 common 10 00 10 50 Tubs, No. 2 common 8 00 8 50 Tubs, No. 3 common 6 75 7 25

Tubs, nests (3) 1 90 2 00 Tubs, wire hoop (3) 2 25 2 40

Tubs, fibre, No. 0. 16 50 Tubs, fibre, No. 1 14 50 Tubs, fibre, No. 2 12 50 Tubs, fibre, No. 3 10 50

Tubs, fibre, (3) 3 20 Butter Tubs, wire hoop (2). 57 Butter Tubs, wire hoop (3) 90 Washboards, Globe, per doz. 2 00 " Perfection, per doz. 2 20 2 25

CURED MEATS, ETC. Lard, pure leaf, steam rend. \$ 1 90 Lard, pure, in 3, 5 and 10 lb tins, per case of 60 lbs 6 00 Lard, pure, Tierces, per lb 9 Lard, solb tubs 9 1/2 Lard, Compound, 20 lb pails Lard, Compound, 3 and 5 lb tins, case 60 lbs. 9 1/2

Smoked Meats per lb. Hams 13 Breakfast bacon, bellies 12 12 1/2 Breakfast bacon, backs 10 11 Spiced rolls 9 1/2 Shoulders 9 Pic-nic Hams. 9 1/2

Dry Salt Meats Long clear bacon 0 Shoulders 3 1/2 Short Clear 0 Backs 9 1/2

Barrel Pork Per barrel Heavy mess 18 00 Short cut 9 1/2

Meat Sundries Fresh pork sausage, lb 8 Bologna sausage, lb 7 Pickled pigs feet, kits. \$1 40 Sausage casings, lb. 30

DRUGS

Following are prices for parcel lots, with usual reductions for unbroken packages.

Alum, lb 3 1/2 4 1/2 Alcohol, gal. 5 25 5 50 Bleaching Powder, lb. 05 07 Bluestone, lb. 09 10 Borax 09 10 Bromide Potash 75 80 Camphor 80 85 Camphor, ounces 85 90 Carbolic Acid. 45 50 Castor Oil 13 20 Chlorate Potash 18 20 Citric Acid. 55 70 Copperas 03 01 Cocaine, oz. 6 00 6 50 Cream Tartar, lb 25 32 Cloves 20 25 Epsom Salts 03 04 Extract Logwood, bulk 12 10 Extract Logwood, boxes 17 21 Formalin, per lb 40 45 Gernan Quinine 50 55 Glycerine, lb 25 25

Ginger, Jamaica 30 35 Ginger, African 15 20 Howard's Quinine, oz. 60 65 Iodine. 4 75 5 00 Insect Powder 30 35 Morphia, sul. 2 00 2 25 Opium 4 50 5 00 Oil, olive, Pure 2 10 2 25 Oil, U.S. Salad 1 10 1 25 Oil, lemon, super 1 60 1 80 Oil, peppermint 1 80 2 00 Oil, cod liver, gal. 1 25 1 75 Oxalic Acid. 14 10 Potass Iodide 3 75 4 00 Pars Green, lb 25 30 Sallpetre 03 10 Sal Rochele 25 32 Shellac 25 31 Sulphur Flowers 3 1/2 01 Sulphur Koll, keg. 3 1/2 04 Soda Bicarb, keg of 112 lbs. 3 75 4 00 Sal Soda 2 00 2 15 Tartaric Acid, lb 40 45 Strychnine, pure crystals, oz. 75 85

LEATHER

Per pound Harness, oak 45 Harness, union oak No. 1. 35 Harness, union oak No. 1 R. 35 Harness, hemlock No. 1, anchor brand 16

Harness, hemlock No. 1 R anchor brand 35 Harness, hemlock country tannage, No. 1 R 34 Russet collar leather, per foot American Oak Sole. 40 Sole, union oak 40 Listowel, sole 25 30 Penetang, sole 25 30 Acton Sole 25 30

B. F. French calf 1 25 1 30 B. F. French kip 95 1 15 Canada calf 65 80 Canada Calf, Niagara 80 90 Niagara Brand Kip. 65 75 Wax upper 42 46 Grain upper per foot 20 20 Kangaroo, per foot 30 50 Dolgona, per foot. 25 40 Dolgona, bright 30 30 Bag sheepskins, per doz. 5 00

FUEL

Coal These are retail prices, delivered to consumers in the city, or 50c per ton less at the yards, except western anthracite nut size, which is 40c less at the yards. Per ton Pennsylvania anthracite— Stove, nut or lump 10 00 Pea size 8 00 Canadian anthracite, stove 9 50 Canadian anthracite, nut 8 00 Lethbridge bituminous 5 25 Crow's Nest bituminous 5 25 U. S. bituminous. 7 50 8 00 Souris Lignite 4 50 Souris, car lots F.O.B. mines 1 50 Blossburg Smithing 9 50

Cordwood

These are prices for car lots, on track Winnipeg. Per cord Tamarac 4 45 4 75 Pine 4 00 4 25 Spruce 3 00 3 50 Poplar, green or dead, cut. 2 60 3 00 Manitoba Oak 4 25 4 50 Birch 5 00 Minnesota Hard Maple. 5 00 Minnesota Oak 2 50 3 00 Slabs 2 50 3 00