THE MARKETS

Prices of Grain, Cattle, etc in Trade Centres.

Toronto, Sept. 15.—Wheat—The market is quiet, with prices steady. No. 2 white and red winter, new, quoted at 75 to 76c milling rates. Spring wheat, 73c for No. 2 east. Manitoba wheat is easier. No. 1 hard is quoted at 98c. No. 1 Northern at 97c, and No. 2 Northern, 94c Goderich. The quotations grinding in transit are:— No. 1 hard, $1.04; No. 1 Northern, $1.03, and No. 2 Northern, $1.

Oats.—The market is unchanged, with moderate demand. No. 2 white 30c low freights to New York, and at 30½c east; No. 1 unchanged at 31c east.

Barley.—The demand is good, with offerings limited. No. 3 extra quoted at 43 to 44c middle freights, and No. 3 at 42c middle freights.

Rye.—The market is quiet, with prices 49½ to 50c middle freights.

Peas.—Trade dull, with No. 2 white quoted at 61c high freights, and at 63c east.

Corn.—The market is quiet and steady; No. 3 American yellow quoted at 59½c on track, Toronto, and No. 3 mixed at 58½c Toronto. Canadian corn nominal.

Flour.—Ninety per cent. patents quoted at $3 to $3.05 middle freights in buyers' sacks for export. Straight rollers of special brands, for domestic trade, quoted at $3.35 to $3.50 in bbls. Manitoba flour firm. No. 1 patents, $4.45 to $4.55; No. 2 patents, $4.15 to $4.25, and strong bakers', $4 to $4.15 on track, Toronto.

Millfeed.—Bran steady at $16, and shorts at $18 here. At outside points bran is quoted at $12.50 to $13, and shorts at $16.50. Manitoba bran in sacks, $17, and shorts at $19 here.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter.—The market continues fairly active, with supplies ample; good demand for best qualities. We quote: Choice 1-lb. rolls, 16 to 16½c; selected dairy tubs, uniform color, 14 to 14½c; secondary grades, store packed, 12½ to 13c; creamery prints, 19 to 20c; solids, 17½ to 18½c.

Eggs.—The market is steady. We quote:— Strictly fresh gathered stock, 16 to 17c; ordinary candled, 15c; seconds and checks, 10½ to 11c.

Cheese.—The market is quiet, with prices firm. Best qualities job at 11 to 11½c per lb.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples.—The offerings of apples are fair, and prices steady. Choice stock quoted at $1 to $1.25 per bbl.

Beans.—Trade continues dull, with prices nominal. Prime whites are quoted at $1.75 per bush.

Honey.—The market is quiet, at 6 to 6½c per lb. for bulk, and $1 to $1.50 for comb.

Hay.—Demand fair, with offerings moderate. No. 1 new will bring $9 on track, Toronto.

Straw.—The market is quiet at $5.25 to $5.50 per ton for car lots on track.

Hops.—Trade dull, with prices nominal at 17 to 20c.

Potatoes.—The offerings are fair, and prices are steady. Car lots are quoted at 35c per bush, and at 50c per bag.

Poultry.—The market is steady. Chickens, 60 to 70c per pair. Ducks 70 to 90c per pair. Turkeys, 12 to 13c per lb.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Dressed hogs are steady. Cured meats unchanged, with a good demand. We quote:—Bacon, long clear, 9¾ to 10c, in ton and case lots. Pork—Mess, $18.50 to $19.50; do, short cut, $21.50.

Smoked Meats.—Hams, light to medium, 14 to 14½c; do., heavy, 13 to 13½c; rolls, 11 to 11½c; shoulders, 10½c; backs, 15 to 15½c; breakfast bacon, 14 to 14½c.

Lard.—The market is unchanged. Tierces, 9½c; tubs, 9¾c; pails, 10c; compound, 8 to 9c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Duluth, Sept. 15.—Close:—Wheat—No. 1 hard, to arrive, 83½c; No. 1 Northern, 82½c; No. 2 Northern, 80⅞c; new, No. 1 Northern, on track, 83⅜c; No. 2 Northern, 81⅜c; September, 82⅝c; December, 80⅝c; May, 83⅝c.

Milwaukee, Sept. 15.—Wheat—Firm; close, No. 1 Northern, 90 to 91c; No. 2 Northern, 86 to 88½c; new, December, 82½c. Rye—Firm; No. 1, 56½ to 57c. Barley—Firm; No. 2, 65 to 76c; sample, 48 to 63c. Corn—December, 51⅝c.

Minneapolis, Sept. 15.—Wheat—December, 80⅝c; May, 83½c; on track, No. 1 hard, 85½c; No. 1 Northern, 84½c; No. 2 Northern, 83c; No. 3 Northern, 76 to 82c.

Buffalo, Sept. 15.—Flour—Firm. Wheat—Offerings light; No. 2 red winter, 83½c; through billed. Corn—Easy; No. 2 yellow, 58¾c; No. 2 corn, 56½ to 57½c. Oats—Firm; No. 2 white, 40c; No. 2 mixed, 36¾c. Canal freights—Steady; fair demand.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Sept. 15.—Grain—Peas, 68c high freights. 72c afloat here; rye 52c east, 52½c afloat here, buckwheat 48 to 49c; oats, old No. 2, 37½c in store here; new, 35c afloat here, September delivery; flaxseed, $1.15 on track here; feed barley, 50c; No. 3 barley, 52½c; corn, 60c for No. 3 yellow American. Flour—Manitoba $4.20 to $4.30; strong bakers', $4.20 to $4.30; steong bakers', $3.75 to $4.25; Ontario straight rollers, $3.75 to $3.85; in bags, $1.80 to $1.90; patents, $4 to $4.25 extras, $1.60. Feed—Manitoba bran, $17; shorts, $19, bags included; Ontario bran in bulk, $16 to $16.50; shorts in bulk, $19 to $20. Beans—Choice primes, $1.60. Provisions—Heavy Canadian short cut pork, $19 to $21; light short cut, $19; compound refined lard, 8c; pure Canadian lard, 8¾ to 9c; finest lard, 10 to 10½c; hams, 13½ to 14½c; bacon, 14 to 15c; live hogs, $6 to $6.25; fresh killed abattoir hogs, $8.50; American clear backs, $13.75; clear shoulder pork, $18.50. Eggs—Candled selected, 18c; straight receipts, 15½c; No. 2, 12c. Cheese—Ontario, 11⅜ to 11½c; Townships, 11½c; Quebec, 11c. Butter—Townships creamery, 19¾ to 20c; Quebec, 19 to 19½c; Western dairy, 15½c Honey—White clover in sections, 12 to 13c per section; in 10-lb. tins, 8c.

CATTLE MARKET.

Toronto, Sept. 15.—Business in cattle of all descriptions at the Western Market showed a decided improvement to-day, and prices were firm all through the list. The feature was the increased offerings of exporters', more being sold to-day than for some time past.

A continued shortness in the supply of good and choice butchers' cattle was reported, and the prices of these descriptions were strong, without a quotable advance. Medium grades were steady in tone, and met with some enquiry. The active demand for feeders and stockers previously reported continued, and quite a number of transactions were recorded in this class. The prices, however, were no higher than before. The better class of milch cows were wanted and sold quickly, but the cheaper kinds were quiet in tone, and did not bring as comparatively good prices as the others.

The arrivals of sheep and lambs were fairly large, and as the enquiry in these continued brisk, selling was carried on with satisfaction to both buyers and sellers. The prices of lambs kept firm.

The arrivals were 67 cars, containing 906 cattle, 1,687 sheep and lambs, 1,298 hogs, and 13 claves.

The demand for exporters was brisk, and the range of quotations was $4.40 to $4.75 per cwt.

The feeling in butchers' was strong. The quotations follow:—Picked lots, $4.20 to $4.40, with 5c and 10c extra paid in a few individual cases; loads of good, $3.60 to $4.15; common to fair, $3.15 to $3.50; rough, $2.50 to $3.10; canners, $2 up.

Trade in feeders was good. We quote:—Feeders, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., $4 to $4.25; those of 850 to 1,000 lbs., $3.60 to $3.85; stockers, 600 to 800 lbs., $3 to $3.35; stock calves, 400 to 600 lbs. $2.50 to $2.75 per cwt.

The values of sheep were steadily maintained and lambs continued strong in price, and although the run was large, business was over early in the day. We quote:— Export ewes, $3.40 to $3.50; export bucks, $2.50 to $2.75; lambs, 3¾ to 4¼c, and $2.50 to $3.75 each.

The market for calves was steady at 4½ to 5½c per lb.

Milch cows and springers sold all the way between $30 to $52 each.

Hogs were weak and unchanged at $6.25 for selects, 160 to 200 lbs.; and $6 for fats and lights.

GOOD SETTLERS.

West Being Peopled by Superior Farming Class.

A Winnipeg despatch says: The last homestead records for August are now at hand at the Winnipeg office, and their summaries contain valuable statistics in presenting lucid information on the settlement of the Canadian West. A particularly prominent fact is the movement of the Teutonic peoples, the very best of settlers, from the Western States. Not a few English and Canadians are returning to British domains from the American farming lands, where high values destroy so much profit in wheat raising. Another feature still more prominent last month than ordinary is the class of settlers locating in the West. Practically all are farmers.

CANADA'S WEALTH.

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LET US GIVE THANKS.

Thanksgiving Proclamation Issued at Ottawa.

An Ottawa despatch says: The Canada Gazette proclaims Thanksgiving Day in these terms:

"Edward the Seventh, by the grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British dominions beyond the seas, King, defender of the faith, Emperor of India.

"To all whom these presents shall come or whom the same may in any wise concern, greeting:

"Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, in His great goodness, to vouchsafe this year unto our Dominion of Canada a bountiful harvest and other blessings.

"We, therefore, considering that these blessings enjoyed by our people throughout the said Dominion do call for a solemn and public acknowledgement, have thought fit by and with the advice of our Privy Council for Canada, to appoint, and we do appoint, Thursday, the 15th day of October next, as the day of general thanksgiving to Almighty God for the bountiful harvest and other blessings with which Canada has been favored this year, and we do invite all our loving subjects throughout Canada to observe the said day as a day of general thanksgiving."

WAR CLOUD LIFTS.

Japan Believes Russia Will Evacuate Manchuria.

A London despatch says: The Japanese Legation here sees in the Russian concessions regarding Manchuria the lifting of the war cloud in the Far East. No confirmation has been received of the London Times' Pekin despatch, saying that the Russian Minister there, in his note to the Chinese Foreign Office, engaging that New Chwang and Moukden shall be evacuated by the Russians on October 6, undertook that China shall be permitted to resume administrative rights in the three provinces of Manchutia, under certain conditions, but the report is regarded as well founded. The Japanese Legation says:—

"Three events, if the reports are correct, have occurred which are calculated to simplify the situation, namely:—The Russian terms, which M. Lessar has apparently presented, mark the abandoment of the proposals which the powers found objectionable; Russia has announced her withdrawal from Manchuria next month, and we believe she is sincere, and negotiations are progressing between Japan and Russia for a definition of their respective rights in Manchuria and Corea. These are secret, and it is impossible to fortell the outcome, but we are hopeful that the results will be satisfactory to both Governments."

ENORMOUS SOO TRAFFIC.

Greatest on Record During the Past Month.

According to the latest marine reports from the Soo the record of traffic during the past month was the greatest on record through the Canadian and American canals at that point. The freight tonnage to pass through for August was 5,403,808 net tons. Of this freight 4,241,683 tons were east-bound and 1,162,125 west-bound, the number of vessels passing through being 2,909. The principal items of commerce were grain 5,557,072 bushels; iron ore, 3,789,082 tons; flour, 647,880 barrels; coal, 1,053,038 tons. The same report says to date 22,628,170 tons of freight passed through the Soo canal, an increase of 628,170 tons over last year for the same time.

GRAIN RATES REDUCED.

One Cent a Bushel Cut by American Railways.

A New York despatch says: At a meeting of the traffic managers of the trunk lines on Wednesday a reduction of one cent a bushel on grain from Buffalo to New York was authorized, to take effect September 16th. This will bring the rate down to 4 cents for wheat, 3¾ cents for corn, 3 cents for oats, and 3½ cents for barley. The reduction is the result of protests by New York grain merchants against high rates current to this port, which were, it was claimed, forcing the bulk of grain exports through Gulf ports and Canada. The reductions were largely in the nature of a compromise, and will expire October 15th. The new rates apply to Boston and Philadelphia as well as New York. Baltimore has differential of four mills.

KEEP FINNS FROM CANADA.

Denmark Will Try to Divert Their Emigration.

A London despatch says:—The Danish authorities propose to divert the stream of Finlander emigrants from Canada to Iceland, where they will keep their national peculiarities without being absorbed into the greater nation. Iceland offers favorable conditions for agriculture trade.

Premier Combes of France was received with a show of hostility while unveiling a monument on Saturday to Ernest Renau at the latter's birthplace.

CONFLICT INEVITABLE.

Bulgaria Has Decided to Mobilize Her Army.

A despatch from Sofia to the Secolo, in Milan, says that in view of the present trouble with Turkey, Bulgaria has decided to mobilize her entire army at once.

The official and press reports from the near East emphasize the seriousness of the situation there, and confirm the belief of the authorities here that owing to the general irritation throughout European and Asiatic Turkey toward the Christians, as a result of the Macedonian revolt, the Sultan may be swept by the uncontrolable sentiments of the Ottoman subjects into a war with Bulgaria, in spite of the unwillingness of the Porte to precipitate such a conflict. The Turkish officials express gratification at the Russian-Austrian proposal for coercive diplomatic action on the part of the powers at Sofia. They are confident it will be acceded to by France; but whether it is adopted or not the Sultan's hand has already been greatly strengthened, as he is in a better position to act than hitherto.

AS A WHEAT CENTRE.

Winnipeg is Far Ahead of Duluth and Chicago.

A Winnipeg despatch says:—In an interview C. N. Bell, secretary of the Winnipeg Grain and Produce Exchange, pointed out the importance of this place as a wheat centre and compared its output with other places, taking the figures up to August 30, 1903. The following was the record which speaks for itself:

	Bushels.
Winnipeg wheat	51,833,000
Duluth-Superior	42,406,928
Chicago-Superior	37,940,953

Mr. Bell also maintained that the acreage in the Northwest is becoming greater, and gave instances to prove his contention. He pointed to the Canadian Northern report which shows that many sections would yield twenty-five bushels to the acre while a message from the agent at Eli, in the Dauphin district claimed thirty-bushels per acre in that section.

GREAT STORM IN ENGLAND

Wires Down and Press Despatches Delayed.

A London despatch says: A great storm has caused widespread devastation through England. The telegraph and telephone wires are down and communication with the rest of the world has been suspended.

TRANSPARENT MAN DEAD.

End of "Count" Orloff, a Noted European Freak.

A Vienna despatch says: "Count" Orloff, the well-known "transparent" man, who has been exhibited all over Europe as a freak, has just died at Toplitz, Bohemia. He consisted of practically nothing but skin and bones. The latter were of a peculiar substance, and so transparent that one could tell the time from a watch through his leg. An attempt was made by the University of Leipzic to secure the body for scientific purposes, but the late "Count's" manager asked an exorbitant sum, and negotiations fell through.

AN EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

Labor Bill Will Be Introduced in British Commons.

A Leicester, Eng., despatch says: The trades union congress, at its session here on Thursday, adopted by a large majority a resolution declaring for an eight-hour day in the United Kingdom, and urging the subject to be made a test question at the next Parliamentary London County Council and all municipal elections. The Parliamentary Committee is instructed to introduce a bill into the House of Commons making the eight-hour day a law of the country.

CANADA'S REVENUE.

Returns For July and August Show Two Million Increase.

An Ottawa despatch says: The financial statement which appeared in the Gazette on Saturday shows the revenue for the months of July and August to be $11,570,992, as against $9,758,947, or nearly two millions of an increase. The expenditure is placed at $4,102,809, but there is about $1,500,000 of accounts in the Auditor-General's hands which he refuses to pass owing to the difficulty between himself and the Treasury Board. The expenditure on capital account was $8,979,910.

RUSSIAN HARVESTS FAIR.

Estimated at Five-Sixths of Last Year's Crops.

A St. Petersburg despatch says: The Finance Minister estimates the grain harvests in million poods (a pood is 40 pounds), as follows:—Winter wheat, 300; spring wheat, 480; winter rye, 1,250; oats, 650; barley, 375. The harvests exceed the poor averages of the years 1897 to 1901, being about five-sixths of last year's yield, which was an improvement over past years.

NEWS ITEMS.

Telegraphic Briefs From Al Over the Globe.

CANADA.

The Stratford drill shed will be sold.

There are 45 pupils at the London Normal school this term.

A new flour mill with a capacity of 3,000 barrels will be erected at Keewatin.

The new Epileptic Hospital at Woodstock will be completed by August, 1904.

Hon. Richard Harcourt opened the new King Edward school at Hamilton on Friday afternoon.

The Chinese of British Columbia are demanding higher wages in order to meet the increased poll tax.

The attendance at this year's Toronto Exhibition is estimated at 510,000, against 383,000 last year.

The last homestead records issued at Winnipeg show a large immigration movement from the Western States into Canada.

On Saturday a Norwegian jailbird named Larson was sentenced to seven years in penitentiary at Kingsto for stealing cattle.

According to Assessment Commissioner Grant London's population is growing steadily, but he does not think it has yet reached 40,000.

Fifty dollars, with $4.10 costs, was the penalty imposed on each of the six young men charged with behaving indescently and using insulting language to two young ladies in London.

According to Steamboat Inspector Phillips, who has just returned to Winnipeg from an official visit to all points on the Mackenzie River and tributaries, measels have been epidemic for the past two years among the Esquimaux tribes of the Mackenzie region.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The special session of the United States Congress will commence November 9.

The Times says that in thirty-four years 45,000 children have been sent to Canada.

A conference is to be held at Dublin with a view to ending religious feuds in Ireland.

Quite a number of towns in the vicinity of London have raised the price of a quarter loaf from fivepence half-penny to sixpence.

During August 4,388 English, 999 Scotch, 268 Irish and 3,036 foreigners emigrated to Canada. To Australia and New Zealand the total was 1,170; to South Africa a total of 6,208.

According to figures of the Anti-Emigration Society of Dublin, Irish emigration to Canada for the eight months of this year is twice as great as the whole emigration of last year.

UNITED STATES.

So that the fire hydrants may be seen late at night, the residents of Jamaica, L. I., are painting them white.

A young woman was fatally injured at Utica, N. Y., through the explosion of a revolver dropping from a shelf.

Mrs. Janie Stewart Boyesen, died at Asheville, N. C., as a result of nervous shock, following a false accusation of theft.

Miss Millessie Rose, of Morristowr N. J., 40 years knotted and crippled by rheumatism, has cured herself by eating no breakfast for a long time.

The University of Kansas will be equipped with a chair in journalism this fall and lectures will be delivered by newspaper editors and managers.

The first week in November will witness the wedding of the Duke of Roxburghe and Miss May Goelet at Newport in Trinity Church. Two thousand invitations will be issued.

W. A. Reynolds, 24 years old, of New Mexico, Mo., shot dead his sweetheart, Miss Ruby Kennett, 16 years old, and then killed himself. He was jealous because another man took her to the circus.

Dead from poisoning, at Philadelphia, the bodies of Mrs. Rosa Leiser, 35 years old; her son, Gottfried, 16, and her daughter, Mary 15, were found in their home. It is supposed to be the deed of the mother.

Civil Engineer Robert E. Peary, of the United States navy, who returned from his last Arctic expedition a year ago, obtained three years' leave of absence from the Navy Department to enable him to make another attempt to reach the North Pole.

GENERAL.

Cholera is reported to be raging fiercely at Birejik, Syria, on the Euphrates.

Yokohama advices say that the Chinese Empress is suffering from a swelling under one eye, which will prove fatal in a year.

A touching family re-union took place in Rome when the three sisters of Pope Pius X., who lived with him in Venice, arrived to visit him.
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FIFTY YEARS IN PRISON.

Michael Keller has been an inmate of a German prison for fifty years. He is under a life-long sentence for a brutal murder, but affirms his innocence and has declined a pardon offered to him on various occasions. He is now over eighty years old.