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THE CANADIAN GRAIN CROP

Total Value of All Crops In the Dominion For the Year 1913, $600,000,000

A despatch from Ottawa says: Field crops in Canada totalled in value nearly six hundred million bushels according to the estimates of the Census Department. Final reports are now coming in from five thousand correspondents throughout Canada, and it will be a few weeks before the official figures are tabulated. They all indicate, however, that the crop in the year just closed has been a record one, both as regards acreage, production and values.

For spring wheat the rough figures are 188,468,000 bushels, as compared with 182,840,000 bushels last year.

For fall wheat, the estimate is 19,107,000 bushels, as against 16,396,000 bushels last year, and 18,481,000 bushels in the preliminary estimate this year. The total estimated wheat production for 1913 is therefore 207,575,000 bushels, as compared with 199,236,000 bushels last year, an increase of 8,399,000 bushels, or 4¼ per cent. The yield per acre for all wheat is 21.15 bushels, as compared with 20.42 bushels in 1912.

Oats show a total yield of 391,418,000 bushels, an average yield of 40.57 bushels, as compared with 361,732,000 bushels and an average yield of 39.25 bushels.

Barley gives an estimated total yield of 44,348,000 bushels, and an average of 31.00 bushels per acre, as compared with 44,014,000 bushels, and an average yield of 31.10 bushels in 1912.

For 1913, the total production of rye is 2,559,000 bushels, of peas 3,974,000 bushels, of buckwheat 7,600,000 bushels, corn for husking 14,056,000 bushels, of beans 989,500 bushels, as compared with a total yield in 1912 for rye of 2,594,000 bushels, for peas of 3,773,500 bushels for buckwheat of 10,193,000 bushels, for flax of 2,681,500 bushels, for mixed grains of 17,952,000 bushels, for corn for husking of 16,569,000 bushels, for beans of 1,040,800 bushels.

For the three North-West provinces, the total yield of spring wheat is placed at 183,852,000 bushels, of fall wheat at 5,264,000 bushels, of oats at 239,595,000 bushels, of barley at 27,904,000 bushels, of rye at 586,000 bushels, of flax at 14,808,000 bushels.

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THE NEWS IN A PARAGRAPH

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE IN A NUTSHELL.

Canada, the Empire and the World in General Before Your Eyes.

Canada.

A Japanese steamship company is contemplating a direct line to Montreal.

An exodus from Canada to Europe at the present time promises to relieve the labor situation.

A new scale of pay is announced for militia officers during active service, also during temporary service.

Fire in Montreal occasioned a loss in residences destroyed amounting to a hundred thousand dollars.

Preparations are being made for the inauguration of the parcels post as soon as authorized by Parliament.

London Street Railway is now using Hydro power, being the Commission's largest customer in the city.

Manitoba telephones yielded the Province a surplus of $30,264.64 during the twelve months ending with November.

Luceise Leween, a Mohawk Indian, was found by a Deseronto jury to have died through neglect, from drink and exposure.

A silver fox valued at $3,000, consigned to Toronto, escaped from the express car at Winnipeg just before the train started.

Wm. C. Browne of the King's Own Scottish Borderers is walking from Winnipeg to Halifax, having recently completed in Winnipeg a four-thousand-mile tramp.

Miss Elsie Fleischer, aged twenty, sentenced in the Fort William Police Court to six months in the Mercer Reformatory, said she had masqueraded as a man to avoid starvation.

The Fort William and Port Arthur Street Railway has been taken over by each city separately and will be managed by the Councils, with Manager Robinson as operating manager for both.

Great Britain.

Viscount Bryce at a conference in London vigorously defended religious training in the schools.

Rt. Hon. James Bryce, former British Ambassador at Washington, has been created a Viscount by the King.

United States.

J. P. Morgan & Co. and George F. Baker caused a sensation in Wall Street when they withdrew from a number of corporations.

General.

Da Vinci's great masterpiece, "Mona Lisa," has been returned to Paris.

The Mexican Federals in the north are on the eve of fleeing into American territory.

After three desperate attempts the Mexican rebels failed to dislodge the Federals of Ojinaga.

An Anglo-German agreement concerning Portuguese Africa is reported to have been concluded.

Jules Vedrines, the French aviator, announced his plans for a trip around the world.

WILL EXPAND THE WORK.

Restoration of the Live Stock Industry in Canada.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The Department of Agriculture is preparing to greatly expand the work already in progress for the restoration of the live stock industry in Canada. Mr. John Bright, Dominion Live Stock Commissioner, has called in his two chief assistants from the West, Dr. Tolmie, of British Columbia, and Dr. Creamer, who has charge of the work in the Prairie Provinces, to map out the programme for the coming year. The department has spent $200,000 on this work, largely in Western Canada. It is expected that the amount will be doubled for 1914 with a view to generally benefitting the live stock industry all over Canada.

STRANGE PUBLICATION.

Threatens Regina with "Rioting, Shooting and Burning."

A despatch from Regina, Sask., says: A strange communication signed "The Chief of the Unemployed Gang," was published here on Friday. It threatens direful things for Regina, nothing less than the immediate and total destruction of the city by fire and dynamite if the "white unemployed" are not found immediate work. The matter was not very seriously regarded, but impelled the police to issue a warning to citizens to report any untoward happenings as quickly as possible. The letter states "that the unemployed gang" will take the city by "rioting, shooting and burning property," if some help is not immediately vouchsafed them.

LAST SPIKE DRIVEN.

Canadian Northern Railway Connected Up With the West.

A desptach from Port Arthur says: Sir William Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern Railway, and party arrived late on Thursday night after driving the last spike in the C.N.R. at Little White Otter River early in the morning. Although arriving late the party were banqueted by the city council and the board of trade in the Prince Arthur Hotel, prominent citizens of the city attending. At the banquet Mayor John A. Oliver presided.

DISCOVERY OF A GERM.

Cause of Scarlet Fever Told by Dr. Newell S. Ferry.

A despatch from Montreal says: Details of his discovery of a germ which is believed to be the cause of scarlet fever were told to the Society of American Bacteriologists by Dr. Newell S. Ferry of Detroit at the closing session of the society's convention at McGill University on Friday.

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UNION BANK HAS FINE YEAR.

Quick Assets Over Thirty-four Per Cent. of Liabilities.

The Forty-Ninth Annual Report of the Union Bank of Canada, approved by the Shareholders at their annual meeting held in Winnipeg on December 17th, is the best in the history of the Bank. The net profits for the year after making the usual deductions for expenses of management and making full provisions for bad and doubtful debts amounted to $750,095 or $44,000 more than was earned in 1912. Other evidences of progress are shown by a further examination of the Bank's statement. The note circulation throughout the year increased from $4,700,000 to $6,200,000. Deposits gained from $55,600,000 to $64,500,000. The rest account was increased by $100,000, making it $3,400,000. Current loans increased from $45,000,000 to $46,700,000, while total assets show the large gain of $11,300,000, now standing at $60,766,532.

A striking feature of the Bank statement is found in a further examination of the assets. The Bank possesses an unusually large amount of gold, Dominion notes and other quickly available assets—these amounting to $27,655,000 as compared with $22,790,000 for the previous year. This policy of maintaining a large proportion of the assets in a form easily converted into cash is a characteristic of this Bank, and the present holdings of nearly twenty-seven and three-quarter millions bear a high proportion to the Bank's total liability to the public. The fact that deposits increased during the year also calls for comment, as during the past year there were unusual demands for funds and depositors were more inclined to withdraw funds then to increase their holdings. The fact that deposits increased is an indication of the increased confidence on the part of the public in the management of the Bank. The Bank on its side has been doing its full share in catering to the business needs of the communities in which its branches are located. During the past year the current loans show an increase of $1,780,000 while loans and discounts outside of Canada amount to $1,640,000 or more than double that shown for the previous year. The Bank has now on deposit in the central gold reserve $1,300,000 while its total assets have attained the very large sum of $80,766,000, an increase of over $11,000,000 during the year. The address of Mr. John Galt, President of the Bank, was an able summary of the conditions prevailing in Canada during the year. In the course of his address he touched on the trend of trade during the year, the crops, the increased importance of mixed farming and briefly reviewed the various great basic industries in the several Provinces. General Manager Balfour, in his address, pointed out that the Bank has now a total of 313 branches. He also took occasion to remark on the excellent manner in which the railway companies had handled the western grain crop. The old Board of Directors was re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting of the Board, Mr. Wm. Price was elected Honorary President, Mr. John Galt, President, and Messrs. R. T. Riley, and G. H. Thomson, Vice-Presidents.

Sir James Whitney's continued illness is delaying the calling of the Legislature.

Alexander MacDonald, an elderly man, was killed at London by a street car speeding past corners to make up time.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Flour—Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent., $3.50 to $3.55, seaboard, and at $3.50, Toronto. Manitobas—First patents, in jute bags, $5.30; do., seconds, $4.80; strong bakers', in jute bags, $4.60.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, 93 1-2c, Bay ports, and No. 2 at 91 3-4c, Bay ports.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 wheat at 84 to 85c, outside.

Oats—No. 2 Ontario oats, 34 1-2 to 35c, outside, and at 38 to 38 1-2c, on track, Toronto. Western Canada old oats, 40 1-2c for No. 2, and at 39c for No. 3, Bay ports.

Peas—$1 to $1.05, outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, 55 to 56c, outside.

Corn—New No. 3 American, 72 1-2 to 73c, all rail, Toronto.

Rye—No. 2 at 65 to 66c, outside.

Buckwheat—About 70c, outside.

Bran—$21 to $21.50 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight. Shorts, $22.50, Toronto.

Country Produce.

Butter—Choice dairy, 23 to 24c; inferior, 20 to 21c; farmers' separator prints, 24 to 26c; creamery prints, 30 to 31c; solids, 28 to 29c; storage prints, 27 to 28c; do., solids, 26 to 26 1-2c.

Eggs—Case lots of new laid, 43 to 45c per dozen; selects, 37 to 38c, and storage, 32 to 35c per dozen.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 1-2 to 14 3-4c for large, and 15c for twins.

Beans—Hand-picked, $2.20 to $2.25 per bushel; primes, $2 to $2.10.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 11 to 12c per lb. for No. 1; combs, $3 to $3.25 per dozen for No. 1, and $2.40 to $2.50 for No. 2.

Poultry—Fowl, 11 to 12c per lb.; chickens, 16 to 17c; ducks, 13 to 15c; geese, 12 to 15c; turkeys, 19 to 22c.

Potatoes—Ontarios, 75 to 80c per bag, on track, and Delawares at 80c, on track, in car lots.

Baled Hay and Straw.

Baled hay—No. 1, $14.50 to $15 a ton, on track here; No. 2 quoted at $13 to $13.50, and mixed at $12 to $12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, $8.50 to $8.75, on track, Toronto.

Provisions.

Bacon—Long clear, 16 1-2c per lb., in case lots. Pork—Short cut, $28.50; do., mess, $24.50. Hams—Medium to light, 18 1-2 to 19 1-2c; heavy, 18 to 19c; rolls, 15 to 15 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 18 to 19c; backs, 22 to 24c.

Lard—Tierces, 13 3-4 to 14c; tubs, 14 to 14 1-4c; pails, 14 1-4 to 14 1-2c.

Winnipeg Grain.

Winnipeg, Jan. 6.—Cash—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 83c; No. 2 do., 80 1-4c; No. 3 do., 77 1-4c; No. 4, 73 1-4c; No. 1 rejected, 76 1-2c; No. 2 rejected seeds, 74 1-2c; No. 1 smutty, 76 1-2c; No. 2 smutty, 74 1-2c; No. 1 red Winter, 83c; No. 2 red Winter, 80 1-2c; No. 3 red Winter, 77 3-8c. Oats—No. 2 C.W., 33 3-8c; No. 3 C.W., 31 1-2c; extra No. 1 feed, 32c; No. 1 feed, 31c; No. 2 feed, 29 3-4c. Barley—No. 3, 41 1-2c; No. 4, 39 1-2c; rejected, 37 1-2c; feed, 37c. Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., $1.22 1-4; No. 2 C.W., $1.20; N. 3 C.W., $1.05.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Jan. 6.—Corn, American No. 2 yellow, 70 to 72c. Oats, Canadian Western, No. 2, 41 1-2 to 42c; do., 3, 40 1-2 to 41c; extra No. 1 feed, 41 to 41 1-2c. Barley, Man. feed, 48 to 50c; malting, 64 to 66c. Buckwheat, No. 2, 56 to 57c. Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, first, $5.40; seconds, $4.90; strong bakers', $4.70; Winter patents, choice, $4.75 to $5.; straight rollers, $4.50 to $4.60; do., bags, $2 to $2.10. Rolled oats, barrels, $4.40 to $4.50; do., 90 lb. bags, $2.10 to $2.12 1-2. Bran, $20 to $21. Shorts, $22 to $23. Middlings, $25 to $26. Mouillie, $27 to 31. Hay, No. 2, per ton car lots, $13.50 to $15. Cheese, finest westerns, 13 3-4 to 14c; finest easterns, 13 1-4 to 13 1-2c. Butter, choicest creamery, 28 1-2 to 29c; seconds, 28 to 28 1-4c. Eggs, fresh, 55 to 60c; selected, 38c; No. 1 stock, 34c; No. 2 stock, 26c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, 75 to 85c.

United States Markets.

Minneapolis, Jan. 6.—Wheat—December, 82 3-4c; May, 86 5-8 to 86 3-4c; No. 1 hard, 86 3-4 to 87 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 84 1-4 to 86 1-4c; No. 2, do., 81 3-4 to 84 1-4c; No. 3 wheat, 79 3-4 to 82 1-4c. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 60 to 60 1-2c. Oats—No. 3 white, 35 1-2 to 35 3-4c. Flour and bran—Unchanged.

Duluth, Jan. 6.—Wheat—No. 1 hard 86 1-4c; No. 1 Northern, 85 1-4c; No. 2, do., 83 1-2 to 83 3-4c; Montana No. 2 hard, 85c; December, 83 7-8c; May, 87 1-4 to 87 3-8c; July, 88 3-4c. Linseed—$1.47 1-8; December, $1.46; May, $1.50 1-4; January, $1.46.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, Jan. 6.—Cattle—Choice butchers, $7.75 to $8; good medium, $6.50 to $7.25; common cows, $3.50 to $4; butcher bulls, $3.75 to $7.25; canners and cutters $3.50 to $4. Calves—Good veal, $8.75 to $11 common, $4.75 to $5.10. Stockers and feeders—Steers, 910 to 1,050 pounds, $6 to $6.75 good quality, 800 pounds, $4.50 to $5.25 light, $3.50 to $5.50. Sheep and lambs—Light ewes, $5.50 to $6; heavy, $3 to $3.50 bucks, $3 to $3.50; spring lambs, $8.50 to $9; but with 75c per head deducted for all the buck lambs. Hogs—$8.90 to $9.25 fed and watered, $9.40 off cars, and $8.50 to $8.75 f.o.b.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS.

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HARRY FRAGSON KILLED.

His 84-Year-Old Father Shoots Him Dead.

A despatch from Paris says: Harry Fragson, the celebrated Anglo-French vaudeville singer who won fame by his adaptations of popular songs from English into French and vice versa, was killed here on Tuesday by his father, Victor Pott. Pott, who is a tottering invalid of 83 years, accused his son of neglecting him and bestowing his attention and money on women, especially an English tango. They had sharp words about the matter,

BOOT AND SHOE INDUSTRY.

4,000 Operatives Out of Work in Quebec.

A despatch from Quebec says: Fifteen out of nineteen factories engaged in the boot and shoe industry of Quebec closed their doors on Wednesday evening on account of labor difficulties. The shut-down has thrown over 4,000 operators out of employment, who are likely to walk the streets in idleness all winter unless they agree to the open shop system and conform to the new rules that govern the factories.

The Yarrow shipbuilding firm of the Clyde, Scotland, has bought out the British Columbia Marine Company and will establish a branch yard at Esquimalt.

GOOD CONDITIONS IN 1914

'No Boom," Says Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, "But Sane, Steady Business, Which Is Better."

A despatch from Montreal says: Big financial magnates of Montreal, when interviewed concerning the outlook for 1914, were optimistic, and predicted a revival of prosperous conditions.

James Carruthers, president of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company, and a prominent grain exporter, was cheerful. "I think there will be a radical change in conditions early in the new year," he said. "At present the transportation earnings do not show a decrease that might be expected, the general financial situation considered. In 1913 the harvest was an exceptionally heavy one, and I see no reason why that of 1914 should not be proportionate. The unemployed will be taken care of through the winter, and with spring labor conditions are likely to improve. Money will be easier also."

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy was of the opinion that the coming year would see a general improvement. He pointed out that railway earnings have not decreased to any considerable extent when all contributory factors are considered. "I am looking for a general upward trend in the financial world once we are passed the turn of the year," he said. "Money is already loosening up to an appreciable extent, and will continue to do so. After a pronounced depression such as we are passing through a 'boom' cannot be expected. It would be better not; a steady movement is preferable."

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