

OPTIONS ARE IRREGULAR AT THE CHICAGO MARKET

Trading in Grain Futures is Small and Confined to Floor Operators—Liverpool Higher.

World Office.
Wednesday Evening, March 25.
Liverpool wheat futures closed today 1/4 to 1/2 higher than yesterday, and corn futures 1/4 higher.
May wheat closed 1/4 lower than yesterday. May corn 1/4 lower, and May oats unchanged.
Winnipeg car lots wheat to-day 14 1/2 year ago 45.
Chicago car lots wheat to-day 23, contract 2, corn 23, 4, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

The following were the last prices made at the call board of the Toronto Board of Trade. Prices are for outside shipping points, except where mentioned:

Winter wheat—No. 2 white, buyers 90c; No. 2 red, sellers 91c; No. 2 mixed, sellers 90c; buyers 89c.
Spring wheat—No. 2 Ontario, no quotations; No. 2 Canada, no quotations.
Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, no quotations; North Bay No. 2, no quotations; North Bay No. 3, no quotations.
Rye—No. 2, buyers 85c.
Barley—No. 2, sellers 80c; No. 3, no quotations; No. 2, no quotations.
Oats—No. 2 white, sellers 45c; buyers 46c; No. 2 mixed, no quotations.
Bran—Buyers 24.50, Toronto.
Buckwheat—Buyers 64c, sellers 65c.
Flour—Ontario, 90c per cent. patent, \$3.50 bid, for export; Manitoba, 85c per cent. patent, \$3.50 bid; second patent, \$3.40; strong bakers', \$3.30.
Peas—No. 2, buyers 85c, sellers 86c.
Corn—No. 2 yellow, buyers 85c, Toronto.

Toronto Sugar Market.
St. Lawrence sugar is quoted as follows: Granulated, \$4.50 in barrels, and No. 1 golden, \$4.50 in barrels. These prices are for delivery; car lots \$4.50 per ton.
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Oats—March 45c bid, May 47c bid.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.
Receipts of farm produce were 100 bushels of grain, 30 loads of hay, 1 load of straw, with several lots of dressed hogs. Oats—One hundred bushels sold at 45c. Hay—Thirty loads sold at \$15 to \$20 per ton.
Straw—One load sold at \$17 per ton.
Dressed Hogs—Prices firm at \$7.25 to \$7.50 per cwt.

Market Notes.
Joshua Ingham bought 20 dressed hogs at \$7.25 per cwt.; 15 dressed calves at \$8 to \$9 per cwt.
Grain.
Wheat, spring, bush... \$0.95 to \$1.00
Wheat, fall, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95
Wheat, goose, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95
Wheat, red, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95
Rye, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95
Peas, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95
Buckwheat, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95
Barley, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95
Oats, bush... \$0.90 to \$0.95

Seeds.
The Wm. Rennie Company quote the following as their selling prices for seeds:
Red clover, No. 1, per bush... \$1.40
Red clover, No. 2, per bush... \$1.30
Alfalfa clover, No. 1, per bush... \$1.40
Alfalfa clover, No. 2, per bush... \$1.30
Alfalfa, No. 1, per bush... \$1.40
Timothy, No. 1, per cwt... \$1.10
Timothy, No. 2, per cwt... \$1.05
Hay and Straw.
Hay, per ton... \$15.00 to \$20.00
Cattle hay, ton... \$14.00
Straw, loose, ton... \$10.00
Straw, bundled, ton... \$15.00

Fruits and Vegetables.
Potatoes, per bag... \$1.00 to \$1.10
Apples, per barrel... \$1.20 to \$1.30
Oranges, per bag... \$1.25 to \$1.40
Poultry.
Turkeys, dressed, lb... \$0.20 to \$0.25
Spring chickens, lb... \$0.15 to \$0.20
Fowl, per lb... \$0.10 to \$0.12
Dairy Produce.
Butter, lb... \$0.28 to \$0.30
Eggs, strictly new—laid... \$0.20 to \$0.22
per dozen... \$2.00 to \$2.20

Fresh Meats.
Beef, forequarters, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Beef, hindquarters, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Beef, choice sides, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Lamb, dressed, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Mutton, light, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Veals, common, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Veals, prime, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50
Dressed hogs, cwt... \$7.25 to \$7.50

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.
The prices quoted below are for first-class quality; lower grades sell at correspondingly lower quotations:
Hay, car lots, ton... \$17.00 to \$20.00
Straw, loose, ton... \$10.00 to \$12.00
Evaporated apples, lb... \$0.07 to \$0.08
Turkeys, dressed... \$0.17 to \$0.22
Apples, dressed... \$0.10 to \$0.12
Ducks, dressed... \$0.11 to \$0.12
Chickens, dressed... \$0.14 to \$0.15
Old fowl, dressed... \$0.10 to \$0.12
Butter, separator, dairy... \$0.30 to \$0.35
Butter, store lots... \$0.28 to \$0.30
Butter, creamery, lb... \$0.32 to \$0.35
Eggs, large, lb... \$0.10 to \$0.12
Eggs, small, lb... \$0.08 to \$0.10
Cheese, twin, lb... \$0.14 to \$0.15
Honey, extracted, lb... \$0.11 to \$0.12 1/2

Live Poultry Wholesale.
Turkeys, young... \$0.20 to \$0.25
Turkeys, old... \$0.18 to \$0.20
Chickens, fancy, large... \$0.14 to \$0.15
Chickens, medium... \$0.12 to \$0.13
Fowl... \$0.10 to \$0.12
Squabs, per dozen... \$2.00 to \$2.50

Hides and Skins.
Prices revised daily by E. T. Carter & Co., 55 East York Street, Toronto.
Dealers in Wool, Hides, Catfish and Sheepskins, Furs, Tallow, etc.
Inspected hides, No. 1 cows, steers, 0.04 1/2
Inspected hides, No. 2 cows, steers, 0.04
Catfish... 0.08 to 0.10
Kips... 0.06 to 0.07
Hides, per lb... 0.05 to 0.06
Tallow, per lb... 0.04 to 0.05
Sheepskins... 0.90 to 1.00

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Sept	39	39½	38½	35½
Pork—					
May	12.32	12.55	12.42	12.47
July	12.98	12.92	12.82	12.85
Sept	13.30	13.30	13.17	13.10
Ribs—					
May	.....	6.72	6.83	6.72	6.77
July	.....	7.10	7.12	7.07	7.07
Sept	.....	7.35	7.35	7.30	7.28
Lard—					
May	.....	7.95	7.95	7.92	7.92
July	.....	8.17	8.17	8.12	8.15
Sept	.....	8.35	8.35	8.32	8.35