

puts a stop to building operations. The following as standard quotations, but they are not strictly adhered to. The man with the most ready cash can generally make the best bargain. Pine lumber, 1st. common boards, dressed \$20.50; 2nd, dressed, \$25.50; 1st dressed rough, \$20.50; 2nd do. \$25.50; sheathing, rough, \$25; timber 16 feet and under, \$24; do. over 16 feet, for each additional 2 feet, \$1; dimension and joists 16 feet and under, \$24; do. over 16 feet for each, \$1; fencing, \$25; 2 and 3 inch battens, \$30; A. stock boards, all widths, \$50; B do., \$45; C do., \$40; D do., \$35; 1st clear, 1, 1½, 1½, and 2 inch, \$60; 2nd do., \$50; window and door casings, \$50; base boards, dressed, \$50; 1st pine flooring, siding and ceiling, \$40; 2nd do. \$35; 3rd do. \$30; ½ inch split siding, dressed, \$30. Spruce lumber—timber 16 feet and under, \$22; do. over 16 feet for each additional 2 feet, \$1; dimensions and joists, 16 feet and under, \$23; do., over 16 feet, for each additional 2 feet, \$1; boards, \$22; 1st flooring, siding and ceiling, \$28; XX shingles, \$5.25; Star A shingles, \$5.25; X shingles, \$5.00; A do, \$4.50; lath, \$4.50.

## STATIONERY AND PAPER.

Business remains in a fair steady condition, but a general briskness is expected with the approach of the Christmas holiday season. Collections are fair.

## STOVES, TINWARE, &amp;c.

The stove business still keeps brisk and will in all probability for a month or six weeks. Orders from the country still continue to come in freely and are likely to continue so until Christmas. Collections are good.

## SADDLERY AND HARNESS.

Business is very fair, and collections satisfactory.

## WINES AND SPIRITS.

There has been quite an improvement in business of late, both in city and country trade. Quotations for jobbers and purchasers of quantities are: Hennessy's one star, \$13 to \$14; in wood, \$4.50 to 5.00 per gallon; Imperial, cases, vintage of 1878, \$5.50; Martel, in case, one star, \$13 to \$14; Renault, 1-star, \$12, \$16 and \$20; Boleyn, in wood, \$4 to \$5.50; Rouet, in cases, quarts, \$8.50; flasks, \$10, half flasks, \$11; Pinette, in wood, \$4 per Imp. gal.; Louis Freres, in cases, qts, \$10; flasks, two dozen in a case, \$11; half flasks, four dozen in a case, \$12; M. Dubois, in wood, \$3.50 per gallon; cases, quarts, \$8; flasks, \$9; half flasks, \$10. Gin, Holland, in wood, \$3 per gallon; red cases, \$10.50 to 11.50; green cases, \$6 to \$7; Old Tom gin, Bernard's, in wood, \$3.25 per gallon; Booth's, in wood, \$3.25; Ford's Acadia gin \$2.25 to 2.75; Booth's, in cases, quarts, \$8.50; Scotch whisky, Ramsay's in wood, \$4.00; Carol-la Islay, in wood, \$3.50; Stewart's, in cases, quarts, \$8.50; flasks, \$9.50. Irish whisky, John Jameson & Sons, in wood, \$4.50; Bernard's, in cases, quarts, \$8; flasks, \$9.50. Jamaica rum, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per gallon. Champagne—Pomeroy, quarts, \$34; pints \$35 per case; Bollinger, quarts, \$33; pints \$34; Moët & Chandon, quarts, \$27; pints \$28; G. H. Mumm, quarts, \$28; pints \$30; Piper Heidsieck, quarts, \$27; pints \$29; Carte Blanche, quarts, \$20; pints \$21. Sherry from \$2.50 to 8.00 per gallon, according to qua-

lity and brand; ports \$2.50 to 7.00, according to quality and brand, claret in cases \$5.00 to 7.00; Drewry's ale \$13 per bil; Bass's ale in quarts \$4 per doz; pints \$2.50; Guinness's porter in quarts \$4.00; pints \$2.50. Domestic whiskies, Gooderham & Woot's, in wood, \$1.65 to 2.25 per gallon; G. o. p. rectified, in wood, \$3.50; W.F. L. five-year old, \$2.50 per gallon; cases, quarts, \$7.50; flasks \$8.50.

## THE MARKETS.

## WINNIPEG.

## GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The receipts of grain, both by rail and from the street have been light for the past week. Considerable quantities have been taken in at some country points, but very little has reached the city. Prices remain very much as they were, but there is at the same time not that firmness which was characteristic of the market earlier in the season. There has been a fairly active movement in provisions, and prices are firm with a tendency to advance.

## WHEAT.

Receipts of wheat have been very light. On the street very little has been offered, and by rail there has not been the usual supply. Reports from the country, however, indicate a very active movement during the next month or six weeks. The frost has improved the roads so that farmers can get to market, and threshing is being proceeded with as quickly as possible. Quotations for first-class No. 1 hard remain about the same, viz: 90c to 92c delivered in Winnipeg. Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Greta and Manitou are having fairly liberal receipts, and other points are beginning to show up better than they have done this season so far.

## OATS.

The demand for oats has fallen off considerably during the past ten days. There were considerable offerings on the street the latter part of last week, but receipts by rail are light; however, there is plenty coming in to supply all demands. The stoppage of construction on the C.P.R. west has had quite an appreciable effect on the demand. Prices are lower, 25c being now the ruling figure for good quality of grain delivered in Winnipeg.

## BARLEY.

Receipts for the past week have been lighter than the week previous. What is offered is of good quality. The ruling figure is from 35c to 40c per bushel, but the quotation is to a considerable extent nominal.

## RUE.

The mills are running full time, and are hard pushed to supply orders as they are received. Local demand is good, and there is also a good deal of inquiry from eastern points. Quotations remain as they were, viz: Patents \$3.10 to 3.20; xxxx or strong baker's \$2.70 to 2.90; baker's \$2.00 to 2.10; trader's or xx \$1.10.

## BRAN.

There has been a very fair demand for bran and as the mills are running night and day, the supply is liberal. It is quoted at the old figure \$10 per ton on track.

## SHORTS.

are also considerably inquired for, and hold steady at \$12 per ton on track.

## CHOPPED FEED.

A good deal of feed is being used at present. The old quotation of \$28 per ton still holds good.

## POTATOES.

The market has been very well supplied during the week, and prices are easy at 35c to 40c.

## CHEESE.

The supply in the city is not more than necessary to supply the demand. Prices have gone up, in sympathy with a rise in eastern markets. It is now quoted firm at 15c to 16c.

## BUTTER.

There is lots of butter in the city, but the supply of really choice is somewhat limited. Quotations range from 22c to 28c, according to quality. Really choice creamery would bring a higher figure than the latter quotation.

## HAMS.

There is still a scarcity in hams, and what stocks are in the city are held firm at 18c for plain; covered are out of stock.

## BACON.

The demand from both city and country dealers is brisk and prices are very firm at the following quotations: Long clear dry salt 11½c; smoked 12½c; rolls 16c for both canvassed and plain; breakfast, uncovered, 17c.

## EGGS.

are becoming scarcer every day, and there is very little prospect of a more liberal supply for some time. They are quoted firm at 30c.

## MESS PORK.

is in fair demand and steady at \$1.50 to \$18.

## MESS BEEF.

is not very much inquired for and is steady at \$18.00.

## LARD.

There has been no change in lard quotations, which are: \$2.50 to \$2.75 for twenty-lb pails; case lard \$8 to 9.50.

## DRIED APPLES.

are not in active demand. They are worth 12c per pound.

## CRANBERRIES.

are still firm at \$14 per barrel.

## WHITE BEANS.

have gone up in price, and are now held at \$ per bushel.

## MINNEAPOLIS.

The *Northwestern Miller* in its report of the Minneapolis grain market says: there is considerable strength in the tone of the leading eastern and lake markets with prices ruling higher, and a firmer feeling shown all around. Receipts at the lake markets have been but moderate, which fact, together with a good speculative demand, caused by a heavy filling in of short contracts, has caused a sharp upturn in those markets. This situation has been fully reflected in the eastern markets, and the turn in the tide has been aided by considerable buying of the more deferred futures on wheat by exporters for English account.

In direct contrast with other markets, the local situation has been very weak. While prices have advanced 3 or 4c at other points, they have declined as much here. No. 1 hard which sold last week at \$1.03, sold on Tuesday at 99½c, and a still heavier decline has taken place in the price of No. 1 northern wheat. Prices on the lower grades of soft wheat are down to about a shipping basis with the lake markets, and shippers are on the alert to take hold at any further decline that will ensure them any margin in shipping. With much further decline in values