

Statistical Wheat Reports.

WHEAT IN CANADA

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

Montreal	234,000
Toronto	18,000
Kingston	
Winnipeg	300,000
Manitoba elevators	1,710,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	980,000

Total April 30 3,251,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on May 1, were 31,039,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 49,634,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on May 1 were 3,051,000 bushels, compared with 1,614,000 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 7, was 22,528,000 bushels, being a decrease of 735,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 31,862,000 bushels, two years ago 54,000,000 bushels, three years ago 59,623,000 bushels, four years ago 63,510,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago	3,161,000 bushels
Duluth	3,000,000 "
Minneapolis	9,273,000 "
New York	1,061,000 "
Buffalo	969,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 9,534,000 bushels, compared with 10,895,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 24,913,000 bushels, compared with 15,061,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on May 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: May 1, 1898, 100,890,000; May 1, 1897, 107,198,000; May 1, 1896, 146,682,000; May 1, 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 year, August 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis	66,063,280	53,031,300
Milwaukee	7,933,937	6,766,537
Duluth	36,553,294	39,236,362
Chicago	31,853,942	14,670,788

Total 142,459,453 113,704,985

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, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo	10,793,328	8,762,720
St. Louis	11,306,594	10,867,196
Detroit	4,556,368	3,112,079
Kansas City	27,446,566	6,696,000
Total	54,102,856	27,437,995

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

Prices as to size and color, for prime skins. Skins taken out of season range much lower:

Badger	\$.05	\$.50
Bear, black	5.00	25.00
Bear, brown	4.00	20.00
Bear, yearlings	2.00	8.00
Bear, grizzly	5.00	16.00
Beaver, large	5.00	6.50
" medium	3.00	4.00
" small	1.50	2.25
" cubs	.50	1.00
" castors, per lb.	2.50	5.50
Fisher, dark	6.00	9.00
Fisher, pale	3.00	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large	5.00	15.00
" cross pale	2.50	5.00
" kitt	.10	.50
" red	1.00	1.60
" silver dark	40.00	75.00
" peale	25.00	60.00
Lynx, large	1.50	2.00
" medium	1.00	1.25
" small	.50	.75
Marten, dark	2.50	5.00
" pale or brown	1.50	4.00
" light pale	1.00	2.25
Mink, dark	1.00	1.50
Mink, pale	.75	1.25
Musquash, winter	.04	.10
" spring	.08	.12
Otter, dark	6.00	10.00
Otter, pale	5.00	8.00
Skunk	.25	.50
Wolf, timber	1.00	1.50
" prairie	.40	.75
Wolverine	1.00	3.50

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, May afloat Fort William, 76½c.

Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.10; Bakers, \$1.90.

Bran—Per ton, \$4.50.

Shorts—Per ton, \$4.50.

Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 20@21c.

Barley—Feed, 25c; Malting, 27@28c per bushel.

Butter—Dairy, dealers' selling price, 14@17c.

Cheese—Dealers selling at 11@12c.

Eggs—Fresh selling at 9@10c.

Beef—City dressed, fresh, 6 @ 6½c.

Mutton—Frozen 8c. Fresh 10c.

Hogs—Dressed, 6@6½c.

Cattle—4@4½c as to quality.

Hogs—Live, off cars, 4½c for best bacon.

Sheep—4½@5c off cars here.

Hides—No. 1 green, 6@6½c.

Seneca Root—Dry, 16@18c.

Poultry—Chickens, 10c per pound; turkeys, 14c per lb.

Potatoes—35@40c per bushel.

Hay—4@5 per ton.

Customs Collections.

The customs collections during the months of March and April were as shown by the subjoined statements:

	1897.	1898.
March—Exported	\$444,118	\$241,082
Entered for consumption, dutiable	189,493	330,630
Entered for consumption, free	57,435	127,313

Total for consumption	246,928	457,943
Duty collected	\$55,637.88	\$2,243.04

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The decrease in exports is owing to export entries for wheat being entered in March, 1897, and in January, 1898.

	1897.	1898.
April—Exported	\$137,987	\$151,423
Entered for consumption, dutiable	131,986	252,085
Entered for consumption, free	33,398	158,212

Total for consumption	165,384	410,897
Duty collected	\$2,308.67	\$1,620.70

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