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FLOUR—There is a steady demand for flour at unchanged prices. Ogilvie's Hungarian patent at \$1.95; Glenora patent, \$1.75; Manitoba Strong Bakers', \$1.45, and XXXX, \$1.00. The Lake of the Woods Company's prices are \$1.85 for Five Roses, \$1.65 for Patent, \$1.30 for Medora and \$1.10 for XXXX, in 80 lb. sacks delivered.

MILLFEED—Prices hold at the decline noted last week. We quote: \$12.50 to \$13.00 per ton for bran and \$14.50 to \$15.00 for shorts, in bags delivered.

GROUND FEED—Prices on barley and mixed feed are steady at last quotations. We quote: Oat chop, \$23 per ton; barley chop, \$19; mixed feed of barley and oats, \$22; oil cake, \$27.

OATS—No. 2 white oats are quoted at 23c per bushel, which is the current quotation for carlots on track here, though some sales were made at 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, which is a $\frac{1}{2}$ c under firm prices of last week. No 2 mixed are 30 $\frac{1}{2}$ c per bushel. Carlots at country points are worth 25 to 26c per bushel, according to freight rate. The demand for seed oats is about over, though some sales were made this week at 35 to 36c for specially cleaned seed oats.

BARLEY—The market is very quiet. From 33 to 38c per bushel on track here is quoted as the general range for feed and malting samples. Selected barley for seed purposes has been very scarce, and sales have been made at as high as 40 to 42c for seed purposes. There is still some demand in a small way for seed, but most taken for seed purposes comes within the general range of feed or malting qualities.

CORN—The market is 1c lower this week at 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ c per bushel for No. 3 in carlots on track here.

WHEAT—Country buyers are paying from 51 to 54c per bushel to farmers according to rate of freight.

FLAXSEED—There is no market for flax seed, as none is offering. There has been a demand for seed for sowing, but it has been very difficult to get supplies, as this product appears to have been completely exhausted. It seems probable that a much larger flax area has been sown this season, judging from the demand for seed purposes.

HAY—The market for hay is firm, owing to the prolonged dry weather, in consequence of which the outlook for the hay crop is very poor. Holders of hay are firmer in their views, as they are looking for fancy prices next winter. A good deal of hay has been destroyed by prairie fires this spring owing to dry weather. Baled hay is quoted at \$5.50 to \$6 per ton on cars. Loose hay on the street market here sells for \$6 to \$7 per ton.

BUTTER—Dairy—The market is about 1c lower this week, the quotation running from 13 to 15c for good to choice fresh dairy, from which range of prices must be deducted cost of freight and commission charges, the butter being handled on a commission basis. Low grades are quoted at 9 to 12c. The quality of the butter now offering is not, of course, good keeping qualities, and it should be marketed promptly to obtain market price for fresh goods. The quality and color is uneven, as full grass butter is not yet coming. As soon as full grass butter begins to come in the part fodder commodity now offering will depreciate rapidly in

value, hence the necessity of marketing promptly and keeping stock cleaned up all the time.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is about 1c lower at 16c at the factories, for late May makes. There is a good demand at this price for all the creamery offering, and a ready sale for western shipment. The make is light yet, as the pastures are still poor, in consequence of dry weather, notwithstanding that the season opened earlier than usual.

EGGS—The market is steady at 11c delivered here, per dozen, net cash price. Picklers are about through their operations and will not want many more, but there is a good demand from British Columbia. Receipts of eggs have been fairly large this season and Manitoba has contributed a larger quantity than usual toward supplying the demand from the far west, which rendered it unnecessary to draw as largely as usual upon Ontario markets for British Columbia requirements.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes hold firm, some sold on the street at 45c, which is 5c higher than last week, but most sales are at 35 to 40c on the street market. Rhubarb is 1c per lb. lower at 2c; turnips scarce at 30c per bushel; carrots are higher at \$1 to \$1.20 per bushel; parsnips, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ c per pound; onions, 1c per pound for imported stock. No local onions offering, Bermuda onions 7c; radish, 30c; California cabbage, 6c per pound; lettuce, 30c per dozen; parsley, 30c; green onions, 15 to 20c per dozen; asparagus, 40 to 50c per dozen.

DRESSED MEATS—Dressed meats are unchanged. We quote: Beef, 6 to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; veal, 8 to 10c; mutton, fresh, 10 to 11c; frozen, 8c; hogs, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 7c; spring lambs, \$1 to \$5 each.

POULTRY—Best Smith's Falls turkeys wholesale at 13c per pound; ducks sell at 11c; geese 9c; chickens, 12c. Live chickens are worth 75c per pair.

HIDES—The hide market appears to be in a very depressed state. Advices from other markets are very bearish. While quotations are given at Chicago and other central markets, it is said that these quotations are more ornamental than actual, as scarcely any business is doing and it is difficult to make sales unless at a sharp cut under current quotations. The tendency of prices this week was lower at Chicago and other points and dealers here got advices from their agents to buy lower to save themselves from loss. The big leather trust appears to be in a position to depress the prices to any point desired. Local dealers paid 7c this week in some cases, but this is declared to be far above the value of hides here. Some dealers only offered 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, and the prospect is that prices will rule at 6 to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c next week though some buyers predict that 6c will soon be the top price here. Very few hides are offering. Calfskins were lower in outside markets this week. We quote \$8 to \$12 here for calfskins as to grade, deakin skins, 25 to 35c each; horsehides 50 to 75c each.

WOOL—A little Manitoba wool is beginning to come in. The clip will be light, as the sheep industry has declined here of recent years, but here will be a larger clip in the western range country of fine wools. We quote 7 to 9c per pound for unwashed Manitoba fleece, as to quality, the bottom price for very dirty wool, of which there is usually a considerable portion.

TALLOW—From 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 4c per pound is paid for good clean well-rendered tallow at country points.

SENECA ROOT—Some new root has been offering, and some shipments of Manitoba root have been made to the United States. This has been bought at a cost here of 25 to 30c as to quality, but the tendency is to limit prices to a 25c maximum.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Choice beef cattle are worth 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 4c off cars here. Second grades 3 to 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and common stock 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3c. Yearling stockers are worth from \$15 to \$18 each and two year olds from \$22 to \$26. No export of fat cattle is reported. The supply of spring stall fed cattle has been mostly bought up and is held in strong hands, which indicates that prices will be maintained.

SHEEP—Buyers offer 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 5c per pound for choice stock weighed off cars here. Very few offered.

HOGS—The market is steady and receipts moderate. We quote choice hogs 9c per pound and second grades 4 to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

MILK COWS—Cows are in good demand and readily bring from \$30 to \$40 each.

British Live Stock Markets.

London, May 21.—The market for United States cattle was firm. The demand was good and prices were unchanged, at 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. No Canadian stock offered.

Liverpool, May 21.—Trade in Canadian cattle was slow, but prices were maintained at 13c.

Manitoba Wheat Stocks.

There were 2,799,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on May 19. Receipts for the week were 381,000 bushels and shipments were 1,033,000 bushels. A year ago stock in store at Fort William was 3,185,000 bushels; 831,000 bushels two years ago, 3,250,000 bushels three years ago; 3,612,000 bushels four years ago; 559,000 bushels five years ago; 1,546,000 bushels six years ago. Stocks of wheat at Fort William, Port Arthur, Kenora, Winnipeg, and interior points were estimated approximately at 7,250,000 bushels, compared with 8,700,000 bushels a year ago; 2,181,000 bushels two years ago; 6,328,000 bushels three years ago; 8,000,000 bushels four years ago, and 3,000,000 bushels five years ago.

Winnipeg Grain Inspection.

For the week ending May 19 there were 818 cars of grain inspected, grading as follows:

Wheat—1 hard, 616; 2 hard, 76; 1 northern, 16; 2 northern, 2; 3 hard, 45; 1 frosted, 8; 2 frosted, 0; 1 rejected, 6; 2 rejected, 21; no grade 10, condemned 6 cars.

Oats—2 white, 4 cars; 2 mixed, 3.

Barley—Feed, 1; rejected, 1 car.

The Cockshut Plow Co. has a disk drill on the market this year which is reported to have shown up well in the seeding operations this spring. The drill is said to have given special satisfaction this season on account of the dry condition of the soil, as with it the seed can be deposited in the ground deeply and firmly, consequently with less liability of damage from high winds. If further reports continue favorable, disk drills will likely be in demand another year.