

the country is simply enormous, and the leading houses are taxed to the utmost to supply the orders as they come in.

SADDLERY AND HARNESS.

A very fair trade is being done, and collections are tolerably satisfactory.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Business keeps steadily improving, the cold weather causing quite a demand for the stronger classes of liquors. The following are the quotations to jobbers and purchasers of quantities, viz: 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 Froes, 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, \$1.00; Caol-Ila 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; Moet & 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 3.00 per gallon, according to quality 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 brl; Bass's ale in quarts \$4 per doz; pints \$2.50; Guinness's porter in quarts \$1.00; pints \$2.50. Domestic whiskies, Gooderham & Wort's, in wood, \$1.65 to 2.25 per gallon; 65 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.

There has been a more active movement in grain during the week. At some points there has as yet been very little brought in, but at Brandon and Gretna especially the supply is liberal. The wet weather of the past two weeks has no doubt done considerable to retard the bringing of grain to market, and there cannot be much of a movement expected until the roads are hardened up by frost. Provisions are in good demand, and all the leading dealers report a very satisfactory business during the past week.

WHEAT.

The supply is still limited, owing to the condition of the roads in the country, but an improvement is expected shortly. Brandon and Gretna still continue to be the chief sources of supply. First-class No. 1 hard is worth 92c to

93c in Winnipeg, but the ruling figure for the grain offered is about 90c.

OATS.

Considerable quantities are being received, and there is quite a demand for points east and west in railway construction. From 28c to 30c per bushel is the ruling figure for new oats delivered in Winnipeg. Old oats are worth about 2c per bushel more.

BARLEY.

A few loads have been brought into market within the past few days, which sold at 40c. The movement has not as yet been sufficient to establish a price, but what is quoted above is likely to be nearly the correct figure.

FLOUR.

The mills are busy running night and day. Orders are coming in freely and can hardly be supplied as received. Prices are firm at the following quotations. Patents \$5.10 to 3.20; xxx or strong baker's \$2.70 to 2.90; baker's \$2.00 to 2.10; trader's or xx \$1.10.

BRAN

is in good demand and quoted at \$10 per ton on track.

SHORTS

are also being more freely inquired for, and are worth \$12 per ton on track.

CHOPPED FEED

is firm and in fair demand at \$23 per ton.

POTATOES

The supply continues liberal, and the demand is also very good. Considerable quantities have been shipped east during the past week or two. Quotations are from 36c to 40c per bushel.

CHEESE

The demand continues fair, and the supply is good. Prices east have gone up, but the quotations here remain about the same, viz., 15c to 16c, the latter figure being for September make.

BUTTER.

There is lots of butter in the city, and the price ranges from 18c to 25c, according to quality. Really fine would bring even a higher figure than the latter.

HAMS

The supply is still light, and the price firm at 18c.

BACON.

There is a brisk demand for bacon of all kinds. Quotations are: Long clear 12c to 13c; dry salt 11c to 12c; rolls 16c to 17c for both canvassed and plain; breakfast, uncovered, 16c; covered 17c.

EGGS

Quite a number of country eggs have come in during the week, but importations have as a rule to be relied upon the regular quotation is 30c per doz.

MESS PORK.

There is a better demand, and the price holds firm at \$19.50 to \$20.00.

MESS BEEF

is being more inquired for and is quoted at \$18.

LARD

Twenty-lb pails are quoted at \$2.75.

DRIED APPLES

There is very little demand. The are quoted steady at 12c.

CRANBERRIES

The supply is good, and the price remains the same, viz., \$14 per barrel.

MINNEAPOLIS.

The depression at the principal grain markets says the *Northwestern Miller*, has continued the

past week, and prices have dropped several points lower, almost reaching an export basis. The demoralized condition of the grain trade has been to a certain extent augmented by the panic in railroad securities, which has shaken the confidence of most classes of speculators as well as legitimate investors. There has been, nevertheless, a somewhat larger volume of purchases of wheat at the eastern markets, induced no doubt by such depression in prices, and with the intention of ultimate export.

The local market has been devoid of any prominent feature, and prices have not experienced any very wide fluctuations. The usual excellent demand for hard wheat has continued, and there has been a more noticeable demand for No. 1 northern wheat. The extreme difference in the price of No. 1 hard and No. 1 northern has attracted buyers for the latter and this grade has ruled quite firm throughout the week.

Trading in futures has been somewhat neglected, the situation at present being so uncertain that the speculative element is inclined to stand off and wait development in other markets.

The following were the highest and lowest prices by grade on change during the week ending Friday, together with that day's closing prices:—

Wheat.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
No. 1 hard.....	\$1.02½ ..	\$1.01 ..	\$1.01½
" 2 ".....	98 ..	97 ..	97
" 1 northern..	92½ ..	90 ..	91
" 2 ".....	88 ..	87 ..	87

FLOUR.—Although there is some variance of opinion on the subject, there has been a decline during the past week and the market closed weak and dull, because of the reluctance of millers to part with their product at ruling figures. There is some speculative inquiry from abroad, where there is an evident desire to obtain good supplies for future delivery at present prices, but the millers are not inclined to pay much attention to such orders, especially in view of a probable early rise in ocean freights. Some millers think that the present year's business will be more satisfactory and in the end more profitable than last year, for the reason that the ruinous competition of last year sickened all who were engaged in it, so that this year they will operate less aggressively toward each other, but this belief is not by any means unanimous. It was thought that the bottom had been reached on prices, but none now express confident opinions on this point. Local quotations are: Patents, \$6.00 to 6.30; straights, \$5.25 to 5.60; first bakers' \$4.75 to 5.00; second bakers' \$4.10 to 4.40; best low grades \$2.50 to 3.00; red dog \$1.70 to 2.00.

The export demand is reported as light, local demand good and the eastern demand fair. The exports of flour for the first nine months of 1883 were 6,409,251 brls. and of wheat 50,912,961 bush. The total value of all kinds of breadstuffs exported for September, 1883, was \$16,192,967, against \$24,662,001 for September of last year. For the nine months period the exports for last year amounted to \$134,937,899, and for this year \$130,430,436. The visible supply of wheat in this country Oct. 13, was 29,869,699 bush., against 14,488,914 bush. Oct. 14, 1882, and 20,586,272 bush. on Oct. 15, 1881.