

The Farmers' Market

WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, Oct. 2, 1915)

Wheat—A large trade and excited nervous market all the week, the trade being of large volume and fluctuations sharp and frequent. The tone at the finish was quite firm, the October being $\frac{1}{2}$ up, the November $\frac{1}{2}$ up, the December $\frac{1}{2}$ cent up and the May $\frac{1}{2}$ cent up from last Saturday. Local temper was bullish at the outset, due to wet weather over the West, and the prospect of the foreign loan being consummated, proving the chief "bull" helps. American markets were also strong, particularly Chicago September, which advanced around 10 cents the last day, all of which helped to keep prices in other markets firm. The enormous receipts now arriving from the West resulted in a sharp reduction in cash premiums here. One Northern wheat at the close today, while being in very good demand, is only trading at a premium of 1 cent over the October future, as compared with a premium of $7\frac{1}{2}$ cents over a week ago. One Northern past inspection is $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ cent premium over the October.

Oats—Prices ranged higher during the early days of the week and afterwards reacted, the October today closing $\frac{1}{2}$ cent down from a week ago, while the cash oats are 2 to 3 cents lower, owing to the urgent demand having been taken care of.

Barley—Prices are holding steady, but the October barley has advanced $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents, most of this advance taking place today. The barley demand still continues very good, particularly for top grades, and good premiums are being paid to the seller.

Flax—Market had still a further advance in sympathy with the bulge in Duluth and closing prices today were 4 to 5 cents up.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------|
| No. 1 feed barley, 1 car, seedy | 48 |
| No. 1 feed barley, 6 cars | 52 |
| No. 4 barley, 1 car, thin and frosty | 49 |
| No. 4 barley, 2 cars | 52 |
| No. 1 feed barley, 1 car | 49 |
| No. 2 feed barley, 3 cars | 48 |
| No. 1 feed barley, 5 cars | 50 |
| No. 1 feed barley, 2 cars | 48 |
| No. 2 feed barley, 1 car | 49 |
| No. 1 feed barley, 2 cars | 51 |
| No. 1 feed barley, 1 car | 50 |
| No. 4 feed barley, 1 car | 51 |
| No. 2 feed barley, 1 car | 49 |
| Sample barley, 1 car | 49 |
| Sample barley, 3 cars | 48 |
| Sample barley, 4 cars | 52 |
| No. 1 flax, 1 car | 1.84 |
| No. 1 flax, 1 car | 1.78 |
| No. 1 flax, 1 car | 1.83 |
| No. 1 flax, 1 car, frost | 1.80 |
| No. 1 flax, 76 sacks | 1.78 |
| No. 1 flax, 1 car, dockage | 1.80 |
| No. 1 flax, 500 bu. to arrive | 1.79 |

WINNIPEG and U.S. PRICES

Closing prices on the principal western markets on Saturday, Oct. 2, were:

| Cash Grain | Winnipeg | Minneapolis |
|--------------|----------|-------------|
| 1 Nor. wheat | \$0.89 | \$0.98 |
| 2 Nor. wheat | .87 | .95 |
| 3 Nor. wheat | .84 | .92 |
| 3 white oats | .38 | .32 |
| Barley | 44-54 | 46-54 |
| Flax, No. 1 | 1.50 | 1.85 |

Futures—
Oct. wheat .89
Dec. wheat .89
May wheat .94

INSPECTIONS

Inspections for the month ending Sept. 30 were as follows:

| | This year | Last year |
|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Wheat | 26,043 | 30,397 |
| Oats | 711 | 2,938 |
| Barley | 961 | 810 |
| Flax | 11 | 355 |
| Screenings | 25 | 25 |
| Total | 27,750 | 34,526 |

Winnipeg, Oct. 4.—There are 1,650 cars in sight today for inspection.

WATER GRAIN RATES

Winnipeg, Oct. 4.—The ocean rate is now 37 cents per bushel from Montreal to Liverpool. Lake rate is 6 cents for immediate shipment to Buffalo.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET

Saturday, Oct. 2.—Spot Wheats

| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| No. 1 hard winter | \$1.50 |
| Walla Walla | 1.64 |
| Rosafe | 1.53 |
| No. 1 Manitoba | 1.70 |
| No. 2 Manitoba | 1.68 |
| No. 3 Manitoba | 1.67 |
| No. 1 Nor. Duluth | 1.63 |

Future Parcels
No. 1 Manitoba, Sept. delivery 1.46
No. 1 Manitoba, Sept.-Oct. delivery 1.42
No. 1 Manitoba, Oct.-Nov. delivery 1.40
No. 1 Manitoba, Oct. delivery, London 1.44
No. 1 Manitoba, Oct.-Nov. del., London 1.42
No. 1 Manitoba, Nov.-Dec. del., London 1.41

Note.—The cable quotations have been translated into dollars per bushel at the rate of \$4.73 exchange; this will vary from day to day, but Broomhall's decline to commit themselves to a rate at present.

These prices are only of value in showing approximately the value of wheat on the Liverpool market today. Of course, very little new Canadian wheat is in a position for spot sale at Liverpool, but the prices for October delivery, Liverpool, are of interest.—Manitoba Free Press.

WINNIPEG FUTURES

| Wheat | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | May |
|----------|------|------|------|-----|
| Sept. 28 | 90 | 90 | 89 | 95 |
| Sept. 29 | 89 | 89 | 88 | 94 |
| Sept. 30 | 90 | 90 | 89 | 95 |
| Oct. 1 | 88 | 88 | 88 | 93 |
| Oct. 2 | 89 | 89 | 89 | 94 |
| Oct. 4 | 90 | 90 | 90 | 95 |
| Week ago | 89 | 88 | 88 | 93 |
| Year ago | 106 | 109 | 109 | 116 |

Oats—
Sept. 28 38 35
Sept. 29 37 34
Sept. 30 36 34
Oct. 1 36 33
Oct. 2 36 34
Oct. 4 36 34
Week ago 37 34
Year ago 48 52

Flax—
Sept. 28 159 158
Sept. 29 157 156
Sept. 30 151 149
Oct. 1 154 153
Oct. 2 159 157
Oct. 4 160 158
Week ago 153 157
Year ago 113 114

MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALES

(Sample Market, Oct. 2)

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car | \$0.98 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 18 cars | .98 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 2 cars | .98 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car | .99 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 7 cars | .99 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 3 cars | .99 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 2 cars | .99 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car | .97 |
| No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car | .98 |
| No. 1 Nor. wheat, 5 cars | .94 |
| No. 1 Nor. wheat, 3 cars | .96 |
| No. 1 Nor. wheat, 8 cars | .94 |
| No. 1 Nor. wheat, 4 cars | .93 |
| No. 1 Nor. wheat, 5 cars | .94 |
| No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars | .95 |
| No. 1 Nor. wheat, 37 cars | .97 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .90 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .95 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .93 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .94 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, transit | .92 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .92 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .92 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .94 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .94 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 2 cars | .95 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .93 |
| No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car | .91 |
| No. 3 wheat, 2 cars | .88 |
| No. 3 wheat, 1 car | .92 |
| No. 3 wheat, 1 car | .89 |

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|------------------------------------|-------|
| No. 3 wheat, 1 car | 87 |
| No. 3 wheat, 2 cars | 89 |
| Rejected wheat, 1 car | 82 |
| No. 1 mixed wheat, 1 car | 94 |
| No. 1 mixed wheat, 1 car | 88 |
| Sample grade wheat, 1 car | 97 |
| Sample grade wheat, 1 car | 90 |
| Sample grade wheat, 1 car | 91 |
| Sample grade wheat, 1 car | 88 |
| Sample grade wheat, 1 car | 85 |
| Screenings, 1 car, per ton | 8.00 |
| Screenings, 1 car, per ton | 12.00 |
| Screenings, 1 car, per ton | 15.00 |
| Screenings, 1 car, per ton | 12.50 |
| Screenings, 1 car, per ton | 13.25 |
| No grade wheat, 1 car | 87 |
| No grade wheat, 1 car, warm | 79 |
| No grade wheat, 1 car | 74 |
| No grade wheat, 1 car | 86 |
| No. 1 western wheat, 1 car | 96 |
| No. 4 wheat, 2 cars | 88 |
| No. 4 wheat, 1 car | 89 |
| No. 4 wheat, 1 car, smut and frost | 85 |
| No. 4 wheat, 1 car, bulkhead | 84 |
| No. 4 wheat, 1 car | 89 |
| No. 4 wheat, 1 car | 82 |
| No. 3 corn, 1 car, run | 62 |
| No. 3 corn, 1 car, run | 60 |
| No. 2 yellow corn, 1 car | 63 |
| No. 2 corn, part car, mixed | 60 |
| No. 5 white corn, part car | 35 |
| Standard white oats, 1 car, run | 31 |
| No. 4 white oats, 4 cars | 33 |
| No. 3 white oats, 1 car | 32 |
| No. 3 white oats, 6 cars | 32 |
| No. 3 white oats, 4 cars | 30 |
| Sample grade oats, 1 car | 31 |
| No. 4 white oats, 2 cars | 40 |
| No. 2 white oats, 2 cars, fancy | 31 |
| No. 4 white oats, 2 cars | 31 |
| No. 3 white oats, 6 cars | 32 |
| No. 3 white oats, 1 car, choice | 33 |
| Mill oats, 1 car | 23 |
| No grade oats, 1 car, sample sale | 31 |
| Mill oats, 1 car | 22 |
| No grade oats, 3 cars | 31 |
| Standard white oats, 1 car | 34 |
| No grade white oats, 2 cars | 30 |
| Sample grade oats, 1 car, barley | 30 |
| No grade oats, 1 car | 31 |
| No grade oats, 1 car, wheaty | 30 |
| No grade white oats, 1 car | 31 |
| Standard white oats, 1 car | 33 |
| Standard white oats, part car | 33 |
| No grade oats, part car | 29 |
| No. 2 rye, 1 car | 91 |
| No. 2 rye, 8 cars | 91 |
| No. 3 rye, 4 cars | 88 |
| No. 2 feed barley, 5 cars | 48 |
| No. 2 feed barley, 2 cars | 49 |
| No. 1 feed barley, 2 cars | 49 |
| No. 4 barley, 1 car | 50 |

STOCKS IN TERMINALS

Ft. William, Oct. 1, 1915.—

| 1915 Wheat | | Last Year | |
|------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|
| This Year | Last Year | This Year | Last Year |
| 1 hard | 878,439.50 | 13,336.10 | |
| 2 Nor. | 3,743,286.00 | 2,457,187.50 | |
| 3 Nor. | 1,223,720.00 | 5,569,415.00 | |
| 3 Nor. | 570,837.10 | 4,335,007.20 | |
| No. 4 | 160,352.10 | 2,700,670.20 | |
| Others | 1,599,505.10 | 1,776,213.50 | |

This week 8,176,140.20 This week 16,851,830.30
Last week 4,181,642.50 Last week 14,347,902.10

Increase 3,994,497.30 Increase 2,503,928.20

Oats
1 C.W. 2,854.14 7,739.04
2 C.W. 157,052.18 1,189,262.14
3 C.W. 76,369.24 602,724.30
Ex. 1 Fd. 4,381.15 181,783.36
Others 236,160.08 855,362.21

This week 476,818.11 This week 2,836,873.03
Last week 223,965.16 Last week 1,802,757.05

Increase 252,852.29 Increase 1,034,115.32

Barley
3 C.W. 151,347.43 1 N.W.C. 585,615.17
4 C.W. 47,677.24 2 C.W. 144,739.42
Rej. 32,089.12 3 C.W. 9,426.16
Feed 1,320.34 Others 16,214.42
Others 206,815.06

This week 439,250.23 This week 755,996.05
Last week 255,114.14 Last week 896,076.37

Increase 184,136.09 Decrease 140,080.32

Last year's total 567,667.29 Last year's total 1,778,450.08

SHIPMENTS

| Wheat | Oats | Barley | Flax |
|-------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| 1915 (lake) | 6,734,009 | 189,649 | 211,888 |
| (rail) | 101,939 | 8,637 | 13,825 |
| 1914 (lake) | 4,120,703 | 361,453 | 91,112 |
| (rail) | 90,659 | 7,907 | 881 |

CANADIAN VISIBLE SUPPLY

Week, ending Oct. 1, 1915.—

| | Wheat | Oats | Barley |
|---------------------------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| Ft. William and Pt. Arthur Ter. | 8,176,140 | 476,818 | 439,250 |
| In vessels in Can. Ter. Harbors | 1,743,894 | 403,516 | 167,369 |
| Total | 9,920,296 | 880,593 | 606,619 |
| At Buffalo and Duluth | 416,000 | 13,000 | 36,000 |
| Total this week | 10,336,296 | 893,593 | 642,619 |
| Total last week | 5,463,767 | 715,769 | 321,208 |
| Total last year | 22,884,922 | 3,807,926 | 806,594 |

Cash Prices Fort William and Port Arthur from September 28 to October 4 inclusive

| Date | WHEAT | | | | | OATS | | | | | BARLEY | | | | FLAX | | | | | |
|----------|-------|-----|----|----|----|------|------|------|------|---------|--------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 1* | 2* | 3* | 4 | 5 | 6 | Feed | 2 CW | 3 CW | Ex 1 Fd | 1 Fd | 2 Fd | No. 3 | No. 4 | Rej. | Feed | 1 NW | 2 CW | 3 CW | Rej. |
| Sept. 28 | 93 | 91 | 88 | 85 | 78 | .. | .. | 43 | 42 | 41 | 40 | 39 | 55 | 51 | 45 | 45 | 159 | 156 | .. | .. |
| 29 | 90 | 88 | 86 | 80 | .. | .. | .. | 41 | 40 | 39 | 38 | 37 | 55 | 51 | 45 | 45 | 157 | 154 | .. | .. |
| 30 | 91 | 89 | 86 | 81 | .. | .. | .. | 40 | 39 | 38 | 37 | 36 | 54 | 51 | 45 | 45 | 150 | 147 | .. | .. |
| Oct. 1 | 88 | 86 | 83 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 39 | 38 | 37 | 36 | 35 | 54 | 50 | 44 | 44 | 153 | 150 | .. | .. |
| 2 | 89 | 87 | 84 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 39 | 38 | 37 | 36 | 35 | 55 | 51 | 44 | 44 | 159 | 156 | .. | .. |
| 4 | 91 | 89 | 86 | 80 | .. | .. | .. | 39 | 38 | 37 | 36 | 35 | 56 | 51 | 45 | 45 | 160 | 157 | .. | .. |
| Week ago | 91 | 89 | 88 | 82 | 77 | .. | .. | 42 | 41 | 40 | 39 | 38 | 55 | 51 | 45 | 45 | 157 | 154 | .. | .. |
| Year ago | 107 | 103 | 98 | 93 | 87 | 82 | 77 | 48 | .. | .. | .. | 44 | 65 | 59 | .. | .. | 113 | 110 | .. | .. |

THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

| LIVESTOCK | Winnipeg | | Toronto | Calgary | Chicago | St. Paul | COUNTRY PRODUCE | Winnipeg | | Calgary | Saskatoon | Regina | Brandon |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|---|----------|----------|---------|-------------|----------|----------|
| | Oct. 4 | Year Ago | Sept. 30 | Oct. 2 | Oct. 2 | Oct. 2 | | Oct. 4 | Year Ago | Oct. 1 | Oct. 2 | Sept. 20 | Sept. 25 |
| Cattle | \$ c \$ c | \$ c \$ c | \$ c \$ c | \$ c \$ c | \$ c \$ c | \$ c \$ c | Butter (per lb.) | | | | | | |
| Choice steers | 6.75-7.00 | 6.75-7.00 | 7.90-8.15 | 5.50-5.75 | 6.00-10.25 | 4.00-9.25 | Fancy dairy | 22c-24c | 23c | 30c | .. | 22c | 21c |
| Best butcher steers and heifers | 6.00-6.50 | 6.50-6.75 | 7.65-7.90 | 5.25-5.50 | 6.00-10.25 | 4.00-9.25 | No. 1 dairy | 21c-22c | 20c | 25c | .. | 20c | 19c |
| Fair to good butcher steers and heifers | 5.40-5.85 | 6.00-6.25 | 7.40-7.65 | 5.00-5.25 | 6.00-10.25 | 4.00-9.25 | Good round lots | 18c-20c | 17c-18c | 20c | 20c-22c | 18c-20c | 17c |
| Best fat cows | 5.00-5.25 | 5.25-5.50 | 6.00-6.75 | 4.75-5.00 | 3.00-8.25 | 4.50-6.50 | Eggs (per doz.) | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Medium cows | 4.75-5.00 | 5.25-5.50 | 5.00-5.50 | .. | 3.00-8.25 | 4.50-6.50 | Subject to candling | 22c | 20c-21c | 32c-35c | 22c | 22c | 20c |
| Common cows | 4.25-4.50 | 3.25-3.50 | 7.25-7.50 | 4.00-4.50 | 3.00-8.25 | 4.50-6.50 | Potatoes | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Choice heifers | 5.60-5.75 | .. | 5.75-6.75 | 5.00-5.25 | .. | .. | In sacks, per bushel, new | 45c | 50c-55c | 40c | 40c | .. | 50c |
| Best bulls | 4.85-5.10 | 5.00-5.25 | 5.25-5.50 | 3.50-3.75 | .. | .. | Milk and Cream | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Common and medium bulls | 4.25-4.50 | 4.25-4.50 | 5.50-6.00 | .. | .. | .. | Sweet cream (per lb. butter-fat) | 35c | 30c | 28c-30c | .. | 32c-33c | 25c |
| Best feeding steers | 5.90-6.25 | .. | 6.50-7.30 | 5.00-5.60 | .. | .. | Cream for butter-making purposes (per lb. butter-fat) | 25c | 24c | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Best stocker steers | 5.75-6.00 | .. | 6.50-7.00 | .. | .. | .. | Sweet milk (per 100 lbs.) | \$2.50 | \$2.00 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Best milkers and springers (each) | \$65-\$75 | \$55-\$65 | \$75-\$100 | \$65-\$70 | .. | .. | Live Poultry | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Common milkers and springers (each) | \$45-\$55 | \$40-\$45 | \$45-\$60 | \$55-\$60 | .. | .. | Spring chickens | 8c | 11c | 12c | 15c | 14c-15c | .. |
| Hogs | \$9.25-\$9.50 | \$8.00 | 10.00-10.25 | \$9.00 | \$8.20 | \$7.70 | Fowl | 10c | 9c | 9c | 10c | 11c | .. |
| Choice hogs | \$9.25-\$9.50 | \$8.00 | 10.00-10.25 | \$9.00 | \$8.20 | \$7.70 | Ducks | 12c | 11c | 10c | 10c | 12c | .. |
| Heavy sows | \$6.50-\$7.00 | \$6.50 | .. | .. | \$6.60-\$7.95 | .. | Geese | .. | .. | 12c | 12c | 12c | .. |
| Stags | \$4.50 | \$5.00 | .. | .. | .. | .. | Turkeys | 13c-11c | 13c-16c | 14c-18c | \$1.25 each | 13c | .. |
| Sheep and Lambs | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | Hay (per ton) | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Choice lambs | \$8.00-\$8.25 | \$6.50-\$7.00 | \$8.00-\$8.75 | \$7.50 | \$6.60-\$8.95 | \$4.50-\$8.25 | | | | | | | |