

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

[Quotations below are per bushel for regular No. 2 wheat, which grade serves as a basis for speculative business. Corn and oats are per bushel for No. 2 grade; mess pork quoted per barrel, lard and short rib sides per 100 pounds.]

Wheat was more active but easy in price on Monday. Prices opened $\frac{1}{2}$ c lower, and after slight fluctuations closed for the day $\frac{1}{2}$ c lower than Saturday. There was little news. Receipts were 231 cars. Corn and oats were lower, the latter closing 1 to 2c under Saturday. Provisions were firmer. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	83 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	94 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	23	—	31
Pork	10.52 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	11.07 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lard	6.10	—	6.40
Short Ribs	5.30	—	5.65

All cereals were higher on Tuesday, with more activity. No. 2 regular wheat declined $\frac{1}{2}$ c, but recovered and closed about $\frac{1}{2}$ c higher. Receipts were 193 cars of wheat. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	89 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	95
Corn	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	29	—	31 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	10.52 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	10.95
Lard	6.05	—	6.35
Short Ribs	6.25	—	6.57 $\frac{1}{2}$

On Wednesday the wheat market opened weak and declined $\frac{1}{2}$ c, but later advanced steadily $\frac{1}{2}$ c, closing about $\frac{1}{2}$ c higher. Receipts were 103 cars of wheat. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	89 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	95 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	39 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	31 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	10.90	—	11.32 $\frac{1}{2}$
Lard	6.15	—	6.45
Short Ribs	6.40	—	6.72 $\frac{1}{2}$

On Thursday wheat was greatly depressed by the Government crop report, which gave the yield of wheat at 15,000,000 bushels more than indicated by the condition reported in October. Closing prices were $\frac{1}{2}$ c lower. Receipts were 139 cars. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	93 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	29	31
Pork	10.80	—	11.80
Lard	6.12 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	6.40
Short Ribs	—	—	6.72 $\frac{1}{2}$

On Friday wheat was irregular, the early session being weak, with a decline of over 1c, which was recovered later. Receipts, 93 cars. Closing prices:

	Jan.	Feb.	May.
Wheat	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	93 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{1}{2}$
Pork	11.30	—	11.80
Lard	6.25	—	6.67 $\frac{1}{2}$
Short Ribs	6.00	—	6.90

Duluth Wheat Market.

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—Cash, —; January, 83 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; May, 92 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.
 Tuesday—Cash, —; January, 80c; May, 92c.
 Wednesday—Cash, —; January, 87c; May, 93 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.
 Thursday—Cash, —; January, 84 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; May, 91 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.
 Friday—Cash, —; January, 85c; May, 91 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.
 Saturday—Cash, —; January, 85 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; May, 91 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

A week ago January closed at 85 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and May at 92 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

James Brown & Sons, dry goods, Montreal, have assigned. The liabilities reach \$23,000.

Minneapolis Closing Price Wheat.

At Minneapolis, on Saturday, January 9, wheat prices closed as follows for No. 1 northern: Cash, 87c; Jan., 85 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; May, 89c. A week ago January closed at 86c and May at 90 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

The number of cars of wheat inspected at Winnipeg for the two weeks ended Dec. 25, 1891, and January 2, 1892, are shown below, with the grading of the same:

Grade.	Dec. 25.	Jan. 2.
No. 1 hard	18	6
No. 2 hard	179	112
No. 3 hard	147	95
No. 1 Northern	5	12
No. 2 Northern	12	14
No. 1 Rejected	7	2
Rejected	25	26
No. 1 Regular	160	123
No. 2 Regular	135	84
No. 3 Regular	17	32
No Grade	12	5
Feed Wheat	14	16
No. 1 White Fyfe	2	—
Total	733	530

Number of cars inspected as previously reported, 5,273. Total number of cars inspected from September 1 to January 2nd, 6,536. The number of cars inspected for the same period of last year was about 3,800.

British Grain Trade.

The *Mark Lane Express* of Jan. 4, in its weekly review of the British grain trade says: English wheat has been selling at a decline since Christmas, and the mean value of prices during December were 5d below that of November. The average for the entire year, however, shows an advance of 5s, 4d on the figures of 1890. The fact that the American wheat surplus of 1891 is the largest on record is advanced as an argument of ultimate firmness. Foreign wheats sold slowly, but on the average were firm. The imports of wheat and flour for the last four months have met the whole inquiry without having recourse to home-grown wheat. The trade in spring grain has been slightly in favor of buyers.

On Monday, January 4, English wheats were held firmly. Foreign wheats showed no improvement, large stocks requiring to be worked off. Barleys were steady with an improved retail demand. In the market for oats prices were firmly maintained. The market for Indian corn was in favor of buyers.

The wholesale dry goods house of P. Hudson, Montreal, has suspended payment. The liabilities are \$100,000.

A. Paterson & Co., wholesale milliners, Montreal, have assigned. The liabilities are \$55,000 and assets nominally the same.

Thompson, Codville & Co., wholesale grocers, and T. W. Taylor, bookbinder, Winnipeg, have favored THE COMMERCIAL with calendars for 1892.

A demand of assignment has been made by the Canadian Bank of Commerce on Hua & Richardson, tanners and importers of leathers, of Montreal.

Geo. S. Matthews, proprietor of the Capital Pork Packing establishment, of Ottawa, has gone to Vancouver, B. C., where he will open up a branch packing establishment.

Robertson, Thompson & Co., commission merchants, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership. Thos. G. Thompson will continue the business, under the style of Thompson & Co.

The new government for the territories was announced at Regina on December 31. It will comprise Haultain, member for Macleod; Clinkskill, of Battleford; Neff, of Moosomin, and Tweed, of Medicine Hat. Haultain will be the leader.

The well known Hamilton wholesale grocery house of Lucas, Park & Co., has been dissolved, J. H. Park retiring. The remaining three members of the firm, R. A. Lucas, R. T. Steele and Geo. E. Bristol, will continue the business, under the style of Lucas, Steele & Bristol. The firm will continue to push business in the west, as heretofore.

W. W. Watson, formerly manager of the Winnipeg business of the Watson Manufacturing Co., is going into the grain business. He will open an office on William St., near the Leiland house on January 15, after which date he will be prepared to do a general grain brokerage business. Mr. Watson recognizes that the grain trade has a great future, and he is taking time by the forelock.

A lamp exploded in Laughton's tailor shop, Brandon, Friday evening, and though a number were present at the time, the conflagration started thereby was not got under control until after two hours' hard fighting by the firemen. The following is an estimate of the losses: W. Senkbell, boots and shoes, \$1,500; W. J. Young & Co., \$1,000; Bower & Co., \$800; Rose & Co., \$500; Laughton, \$500; H. E. Henderson, \$200. The buildings damaged were owned by W. H. Anderson, of Komptville, Ont.; J. W. Horne, Vancouver; and Ed. Hughes, Winnipeg. The first named being the heaviest loser.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, who carried on business as Wholesale Grocers in Hamilton under the name, style and firm of LUCAS, PARK & CO., has been dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. J. H. Park retiring therefrom.

R. A. LUCAS,
J. H. PARK,
R. T. STEELE,
GEO. E. BRISTOL.

Witness: W. FRED. WALKER.

NOTICE.

Referring to the above the undersigned give notice that they will continue the business of Wholesale Grocers heretofore carried on in Hamilton under the name, style and firm of LUCAS, PARK & CO. under the name, style and firm of

LUCAS, STEELE & BRISTOL

(Signed) R. A. LUCAS,
R. T. STEELE,
GEO. E. BRISTOL.

Witness: W. FRED. WALKER.

Dated 31st December, A.D. 1891.