

MINNEAPOLIS.

The volume of trade for the week was very fair, considering the season of the year and under the influence of a somewhat backward spring. The demand for flour has been on the dull side, and this has made the milling demand for wheat quiet. Prices were therefore molded largely by the tone of outside markets. On Tuesday there was general quietness, and the business of the day is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.11 to \$1.12½; No. 1, \$1.02 to \$1.08; No. 2 hard, \$1.05 to \$1.08.

CORN, No. 2, 48 to 49½c; no grade, 45 to 47½c. OATS, No. 2 white, 41 to 42½c; No. 39 to 40c. rejected, 36 to 38c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6.40 to \$6.90; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.25; clears, \$5.00 to \$5.40; low grades, \$2 to \$3.25.

On Wednesday, in sympathy with the weakness in all outside grain markets, wheat declined slightly. Corn held firm and oats steady. The following quotations represent the business of the day:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.10 to \$1.10½; No. 1, \$1.01 to \$1.07½; No. 2 hard \$1.06 to 1.07.

CORN, No. 2, 49 to 49½c; no grade, 45 to 47½c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 40 to 41c; No. 2, 39 to 39½c; rejected, 36 to 38c.

FLOUR, patents, \$6.50 to \$6.90; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.25; clears, \$5.25 to \$5.40.

On Thursday the bears had decidedly the best of it, and wheat again took a tumble. Outside advices were very unfavorable. Corn showed signs of weakness, but did not go down, and oats remain unchanged. Quotations representing the day's business are:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.09½ to \$1.10; No. 1, \$1.01 to \$1.07; No. 2 hard, \$1.05½ to 1.06.

CORN, No. 2 new, 49 to 49½c; no grade, 45 to 47½c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 40 to 41c; No. 2, 38½ to 39c; rejected, 36 to 38c.

FLOUR, patents, \$6.50 to \$6.90; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.25; clears, \$5.25 to \$5.40; low grades, \$2.25 to \$3.25.

On Friday wheat receipts were small and transactions limited. Prices were steady and on a basis not materially different from the two previous days. The business of the day is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.10 to \$1.10½; No. 1, \$1.01 to \$1.06; No. 2 hard, \$1.04 to \$1.06.

CORN, No. 1, 48 to 49½c; no grade, 45 to 47c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 40 to 41c; No. 2, 38 to 39c.

FLOUR, patents, \$6.40 to \$6.80; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.25; clears, \$5.25 to \$5.40.

On Saturday there was but little trading, and prices tended downward. The markets have been so unsteady that dealers do not care to dip very deep. The day's business is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.09½ to \$1.10½; No. 1, \$1.01 to 1.06; No. 2 hard, \$1.05 to \$1.06½.

CORN, No. 2 48½c to 49c; no rejected, 38 to 41c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 40 to 41c; No. 2 38 to 40c.

FLOUR, patents, \$6.40 to \$6.80; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.25; clears, \$5.00 to \$5.40.

CHICAGO.

The market for the week has fluctuated considerably, consequent upon varying reports from

different points nearly every day. On Wednesday the produce market was more active, but very weak. Depressing foreign news weakened the hands of grain holders, and provisions also suffered in sympathy. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat, April, \$1.03½	May, \$1.08½
Corn, " 50½	" 50½
Oats, " 40½	" 44½
Pork, " 18.11½	" 18.27½
Lard, " 11.27½	" 11.42½

On Thursday the produce market was less active and continued weak. Holders were anxious to sell, especially in grain. Provisions were also weak. Towards the close quotations were:

Wheat, April, \$1.02½	May, \$1.07½
Corn, " 49½	" 54½
Oats, " 40½	" 44
Pork, " 18.10	" 18.15
Lard, " 11.15	" 11.30

On Friday there was a more active movement and prices, although weak early in the day, became generally stronger towards the close. Provisions were active and averaged a little firmer. Quotations toward the close were:

Wheat, April, \$1.02½	May, \$1.07½
Corn, " 49½	" 54½
Oats, " 40½	" 44½
Pork, " 18.05	" 18.20
Lard, " 11.27½	" 11.35

On Saturday the market for wheat tended downward, but prices did not change materially from the day previous. Quotations toward the close were:

Wheat, April, \$1.02½	May, \$1.07
Corn, " 49	" 54
Oats, " 40	" 43
Pork, " 18.00	" 18.00
Lard, " 11.25	" 11.30

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

A much better feeling prevails in the stock market. Notes are being met much more promptly and the prospect for the future is much brighter, and it looks as though bank stocks will improve materially in the near future. On Wednesday the closing bids were as follows: Montreal, 100; Ontario, 112½; Toronto, 183½; Molsons, 120½; Merchants, 123½; Commerce, 133½; Imperial, 139½; Federal, 158½; Dominion, 200½; Standard, 114; Hamilton, 114; North-west Land Company 63; Ontario and Qu'Appelle, 194½.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

The past week has been one of suspense so far as the grain and produce market were concerned. Neither buyers nor sellers cared to operate, all holding off for the opening of navigation. It is not expected that the position will be changed much until there is open water on the lakes. Values have not changed much.

FLOUR.

There has been an improved demand, and prices have held steady. Quotations are, f. o. c.: Superior extra, \$4.45 to \$4.50; extra, \$4.35 to \$4.40.

WHEAT

Has been very much neglected all the week. Buyers have held off and holders have not cared to push sales, both seeming inclined to wait for the opening of navigation. Scarcely any transactions have taken place. Quotations, f. o. c., are: Fall wheat, No. 1, \$1.00 to \$1.01; No. 2, 95 to 99c; No. 3, 90 to 91c; spring wheat, No. 1, \$1.03; No. 2, \$1.06; No. 3, \$1 to \$1.01.

OATS.

The demand has been active and prices tend

upward. Receipts have been very light. Good samples are worth from 46 to 47c in car lots.

BARLEY

Has been very slack during the week, and there has been scarcely a transaction to report. The general feeling is dull. Quotations are: No. 1, 75c; No. 2, 70 to 71c; extra No. 3, 62 to 63c; No. 3, 50 to 54c.

BUTTER.

There is no demand for shipment and trade is confined to the local market. Choice is easy at 20 to 21c; medium, slow at 15 to 17c; inferior, 12½ to 13c; rolls, 18 to 20c.

MEATS.

Have been firm, and there is an increased demand, especially for bacon. Quotations are: Mess pork, \$21.50 to \$22.00; bacon, long clear, in tins or cases 11½ to 11¾c; Cumberland, 10½ to 10¾c; rolls, 12 to 12½c; bellies, 14c; hams, smoked, 13½; pickled 12c.

Markets by Telegraph.

Special Despatches to the Commercial:

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

TORONTO, April 10.—Flour and grain are inactive and lower. Flour sold freely at about \$4.40 for choice extra in the latter part of last week, but superior extra is not likely to bring more than this price to-day; offerings small. Bran is scarce and wanted at \$16. Wheat is neglected and prices about nominal; No. 2 fall is not likely to bring over 96 to 97c; No. 1 spring over \$1.05 or No. 2 over \$1.02 to \$1.03. Oats are scarce and wanted at 46 to 48c. Barley is declining and neglected, No. 1 sold to-day at 71c; No. 2 is not worth over 66 to 67c; extra No. 3 is offered at 63c. Peas and rye are unchanged; choice is scarce and firm at \$8.50 to \$8.75. Butter is more active, sales of medium shipping lots at 14 to 16c; cull, 12½c; choice is steady at 20 to 21c; supplies have increased. Eggs are more abundant at 19 to 20c. Meats are quiet and firm, long clear bacon is wanted in round lots at 11c, but held higher; tons and cases are as before; hams are rather scarce and held firmly.

MINNEAPOLIS, Monday, April 9.

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.09 to \$1.09½; No. 1, \$1.02 to \$1.06; No. 2 hard, \$1.04 to \$1.06½.

CORN, No. 2, 48½ to 49c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 39 to 41c; No. 2, 37 to 38c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6.40 to \$6.80; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.25; clears, \$5 to \$5.40.

CHICAGO, Monday, April 9.

Wheat	April, 1.02	May, 1.04½
Corn,	" 47½	" 52½
Oats,	" 37	" 40½
Pork,	" 17.92½	" 18.07½
Lard,	" 11.17½	" 11.27½

MR. ALBERT MURRAY, Montreal correspondent of the Monetary Times, Toronto, called at THE COMMERCIAL office yesterday. Mr. Murray has been out west, and visited the country generally.

SELKIRK

John Christianson, general store, East Selkirk, has resumed business, having effected a settlement of his difficulties.

The contract for the new bridge over Cook's Creek at Selkirk has been awarded to a Winnipeg firm for \$750, and the pile driving began the 5th.

Mr. A. R. Groff, who for some time past has been foreman in the mechanical department of the Selkirk Herald, has been admitted a partner, and the firm will in the future be known as Gemmell & Groff.