

## Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

The following shows the number of cars of wheat inspected at \*Winnipeg for the weeks ended on the dates named, compared with the number of cars inspected for the corresponding weeks a year ago, as reported by Inspector Horn to the Board of Trade:—

| Grade.                   | Nov. 16 | Nov. 23 | Nov. 30 | Dec. 7 | Dec. 14 |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Extra Manitoba hard..... | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0      | 0       |
| No. 1 hard.....          | 107     | 74      | 52      | 45     | 01      |
| No. 2 hard.....          | 39      | 21      | 25      | 33     | 37      |
| No. 3 hard.....          | 34      | 39      | 28      | 42     | 32      |
| No. 1 North'n.....       | 20      | 20      | 9       | 10     | 8       |
| No. 2 North'n.....       | 6       | 0       | 3       | 4      | 2       |
| No. 3 North'n.....       | 0       | 0       | 1       | 0      | 0       |
| No. 1 white fyle.....    | 4       | 0       | 0       | 0      | 0       |
| No. 2 white fyle.....    | 0       | 2       | 0       | 0      | 0       |
| No. 1 Spring.....        | 9       | 3       | 3       | 1      | 3       |
| No. 2 Spring.....        | 0       | 0       | 0       | 0      | 0       |
| No. 1 frosted.....       | 14      | 34      | 21      | 21     | 31      |
| No. 2 frosted.....       | 22      | 11      | 11      | 5      | 8       |
| No. 3 Frosted.....       | 9       | 1       | 0       | 0      | 2       |
| No. 1 Rejected.....      | 10      | 14      | 12      | 17     | 9       |
| No. 2 Rejected.....      | 39      | 84      | 61      | 47     | 48      |
| No Grade.....            | 4       | 1       | 0       | 0      | 0       |
| Feed.....                | 0       | 2       | 1       | 0      | 1       |
| Total.....               | 44      | 306     | 227     | 233    | 251     |
| Same week last year..... | 276     | 235     | 176     | 148    | 99      |

Oats.—No. 1 white, 8; No. 2 white, 31; No. 2 mixed, 2. No. 2 black, 1; feed, 9; total, 45. Barley.—No. 3, 10; feed, 4c; total, 14.

\*Wheat inspected at Emerson going out via the Northern Pacific to Duluth, is included in Winnipeg returns. A considerable portion of the wheat moving is inspected at Fort William, and does not show in these figures.

## Winnipeg Markets a Year Ago.

Wheat.—No. 1 hard, c.i.f. Fort William December, 62 to 64c and 45 to 60c to farmers, Manitoba country points.  
Flour.—Local price, per sack, Patents, \$1.65; Bakers, \$1.85.  
Bran.—Per ton, \$11.  
Shorts.—Per ton, \$13.  
Oats.—Per bushel, car lots, 25 to 27c.  
Barley.—Per bushel, feed 28c to 31c.  
Flax Seed.—25c to \$1.  
Butter.—Round lots country dairy 12 to 14c.  
Cheese.—Small lots 11 to 11½c.  
Eggs.—Fresh, 14, to 16c round lots.  
Beef.—Fresh, per lb., 8 to 4½c, fancy 5½ to 6c.  
Mutton.—Fresh, and lamb, 5 to 6c.  
Hogs.—Dressed, 4½ to 5c.  
Cattle.—Butchers, 2½ to 3c.  
Hogs.—Live, off cars, 3½ to 3¾c.  
Sheep.—\$2.25 to \$2 10 per 100 pounds.  
Seneca Root.—19 to 20c.  
Poultry.—Chicken, 6 to 7c, turkeys, 9 to 11c, geese, 7 to 8c, ducks 7 to 8c.  
Hides.—No. 1 cows, 2½ to 3c.  
Potatoes.—40 to 45c per bushel.  
Hay.—\$1.50 to \$5.50 per ton, car lots.  
Wool.—8 to 9c, unwashed fleece.

Wheat prices in the country were very irregular this week last year and inclined to boom.

## Manitoba Wheat Movement.

Receipts of wheat at Fort William from September 1, the beginning of the crop year, to December 14, amount to 10,598,672 bushels, as compared with 8,618,191 bushels for the same period last year. Shipments east of Fort William for export or to Eastern Canada from September 1 to December 14, amount to 8,625,042 bushels, as compared with 9,002,720 bushels for the corresponding period of last year. Stocks at Fort William on December 14 were 2,073,482 bushels compared with 1,914,977 bushels a year ago, and 1,353,614 bushels 10 years ago. Receipts for the week ended December 14 at Fort William were 411,652 bushels and shipments from that point were 5,091. For the corre-

sponding week last year receipts were 78,030 bushels and shipments 1,823.

## Wheat Stocks

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Dec. 11, 1895, shows an increase of 8,018,000 bushels, against an increase of 2,174,000 for the corresponding week last year and an increase of — bushels the corresponding week two years ago, and — bushels three years ago.

The following table shows the total visible supply of wheat on the dates named for four years, as compiled by the Chicago board of trade and includes stocks at most important points of accumulation in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains. There are some important points not covered by this statement:

|              | 1895.      | 1894.      | 1893.      | 1892.      |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Jan. 2.....  | 58,581,000 | 80,223,000 | 81,248,000 | 15,907,000 |
| Feb. 5.....  | 83,370,000 | 79,863,000 | 81,331,000 | 43,101,000 |
| Mar. 4.....  | 78,765,000 | 75,569,000 | 79,088,000 | 41,558,000 |
| April 1..... | 74,308,000 | 71,458,000 | 77,654,000 | 41,030,000 |
| " 8.....     | 72,703,000 | 70,762,000 | 77,294,000 | 41,177,000 |
| " 15.....    | 70,457,000 | 69,917,000 | 76,967,000 | 42,055,000 |
| " 22.....    | 68,620,000 | 68,425,000 | 74,869,000 | 39,149,000 |
| " 29.....    | 65,776,000 | 66,553,000 | 75,027,000 | 37,930,000 |
| May 6.....   | 62,106,000 | 65,150,000 | 73,669,000 | 36,190,000 |
| " 13.....    | 59,623,000 | 63,510,000 | 72,682,000 | 35,190,000 |
| " 20.....    | 56,451,000 | 62,044,000 | 71,392,000 | 30,670,000 |
| " 27.....    | 54,244,000 | 61,339,000 | 70,159,000 | 29,622,000 |
| June 3.....  | 52,229,000 | 59,394,000 | 71,030,000 | 27,910,000 |
| " 10.....    | 49,739,000 | 58,211,000 | 69,662,000 | 26,950,000 |
| " 17.....    | 47,717,000 | 57,005,000 | 68,375,000 | 26,066,000 |
| " 24.....    | 46,225,000 | 55,392,000 | 66,931,000 | 24,561,000 |
| July 1.....  | 44,610,000 | 54,637,000 | 62,316,000 | 24,262,000 |
| " 8.....     | 43,350,000 | 54,114,000 | 61,819,000 | 23,150,000 |
| " 15.....    | 41,237,000 | 53,114,000 | 59,323,000 | 22,430,000 |
| " 22.....    | 40,457,000 | 52,771,000 | 58,901,000 | 22,068,000 |
| " 29.....    | 39,233,000 | 51,144,000 | 58,310,000 | 22,991,000 |
| Aug 3.....   | 38,517,000 | 50,010,000 | 59,243,000 | 20,970,000 |
| " 10.....    | 37,839,000 | 49,331,000 | 58,869,000 | 20,230,000 |
| " 17.....    | 36,893,000 | 48,000,000 | 57,612,000 | 21,775,000 |
| " 24.....    | 35,683,000 | 46,771,000 | 57,240,000 | 24,950,000 |
| " 31.....    | 35,139,000 | 46,049,000 | 56,831,000 | 3,360,000  |
| Sept. 7..... | 36,764,000 | 49,163,000 | 56,140,000 | 38,769,000 |
| " 14.....    | 38,097,000 | 46,214,000 | 57,331,000 | 44,411,000 |
| " 21.....    | 39,335,000 | 47,193,000 | 58,093,000 | 44,037,000 |
| " 28.....    | 40,769,000 | 47,413,000 | 58,623,000 | 49,801,000 |
| Oct. 7.....  | 41,823,000 | 47,614,000 | 59,275,000 | 51,250,000 |
| " 14.....    | 44,181,000 | 47,074,000 | 65,159,000 | 55,040,000 |
| " 21.....    | 46,190,000 | 46,650,000 | 66,978,000 | 59,405,000 |
| " 28.....    | 50,430,000 | 48,199,000 | 69,327,000 | 61,631,000 |
| Nov. 4.....  | 52,920,000 | 50,047,000 | 71,396,000 | 64,717,000 |
| " 11.....    | 56,936,000 | 51,240,000 | 74,052,000 | 67,203,000 |
| " 18.....    | 60,346,000 | 52,302,000 | 76,743,000 | 69,628,000 |
| " 25.....    | 62,221,000 | 53,964,000 | 77,243,000 | 70,765,000 |
| Dec. 2.....  | 63,563,000 | 53,179,000 | 78,091,000 | 72,630,000 |
| " 9.....     | 63,736,000 | 51,988,000 | 78,783,000 | 75,670,000 |
| " 16.....    | 66,844,000 | 53,172,000 |            |            |

Bradstreet's report of stocks of wheat in Canada on December 9 is as follows:

|   | bushels.  |
|---|-----------|
| Montreal.....                             | 246,000   |
| Toronto.....                              | 61,000    |
| Kingston.....                             | 30,000    |
| Winnipeg.....                             | 173,000   |
| Manitoba elevators.....                   | 1,925,000 |
| Fort William, Port Arthur & Keewatin..... | 2,068,000 |

Total stocks in the United States and Canada as reported by Bradstreet's were as follows, on December 9, 1895:

|                               | bushels.    |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| East of the Mountains.....    | 87,925,000  |
| Pacific Coast.....            | 8,276,000   |
| Total stocks a year ago were: |             |
| East of the Mountains.....    | 112,802,000 |
| Pacific Coast.....            |             |

Bradstreet's report for the week ended Dec. 16, shows an increase of 4,471,000 bushels in stocks of wheat east of the mountains, making the total 92,394,000 bushels on the latter date.

World's stocks on December 1, (United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, were 164,348,000 bushels, compared with 181,610,000 bushels a year ago, 190,385,000 bushels two years ago, 175,814,000 bushels three years ago, 157,748,000 bushels four years ago, 107,639,000 bushels five years ago, and 117,255,000 bushels six years ago.

## Winnipeg Clearing House.

Clearings for the week ending December 19, were \$1,453,703; balances, \$296,538. For the previous week clearings were \$1,756,624. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were \$1,283,102, and for the week, two years ago, \$1,318,127. For the month of November clearings were \$8,503,272, as compared with \$6,607,493 for November last year.

Following are the returns of other Canadian clearing houses for the weeks ended on the dates given:

|               | Dec. 5.      | Dec. 12.     |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Montreal..... | \$18,174,658 | \$18,281,920 |
| Toronto.....  | 8,455,236    | 7,922,817    |
| Halifax.....  | 1,268,620    | 1,181,486    |
| Winnipeg..... | 1,878,870    | 1,756,624    |
| Hamilton..... | 818,816      | 792,481      |
| Total.....    | \$25,591,200 | \$24,883,278 |

## The Samson, Kennedy Failure.

A statement, so far as it has been made out, of the affairs of Samson, Kennedy & Co., of Toronto, is given below. While the stock-in-trade is given at \$210,000, this cannot be considered as absolutely correct, as stock-taking has not yet been finished. It is not expected that the estate will pay more than 20 cents on the dollar, if, indeed, it realizes that amount. The statement is as follows:

## LIABILITIES.

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Direct:                                   |           |
| Canadian and United States creditors..... | \$310,264 |
| English creditors.....                    | 116,725   |
| Total.....                                | \$426,989 |

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Indirect:   |           |
| Canadian Bank of Commerce paper under discount..... | \$300,000 |

Grand Total.....\$725,989

## ASSETS.

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Stock in trade.....                             | \$210,000 |
| Book accounts, good.....                        | 37,652    |
| Book accounts, doubtful.....                    | 11,535    |
| Warehouse costs, \$20,000, less bank claim..... | 10,000    |
| Manitoba Land and Souris Railway.....           | 21,013    |
| Bills receivable.....                           | 3,811     |
| Provident and Commercial Land Co.....           | 9,686     |

Total.....\$297,126

J. H. Falconer, manufacturer vinegar, etc., Victoria, has sold out jam department.

The West Coast Packing Co., Vancouver, has been incorporated.

W. A. Turiff, general merchant, Alameda, Assa., is dead.

J. H. Lyons, butcher, Carberry, Man., has sold out to McKay & Reeves.

Wm. Alexander & Co. retail dry goods, Montreal, have suspended. A demand for assignment was made by Gault Bros. on the firm. Alexander was formerly in the dry goods business in Winnipeg. Liabilities are about \$90,000.

About this time each year for some years back, Mr. Drowry, the great Winnipeg brewer and manufacturer of the Golden Key brand of aerated waters, sends out a beautiful picture to his patrons. There is one thing about Mr. Drowry's pictures which distinguishes them from many others in circulation about this time of year, and that is, that they are works of art. This year his picture is called "Heroes of the Goodwin Sands," and represents three of the life boat heroes of that famous spot, noted for the many shipwrecks which have occurred there. These three heroes are accredited with saving no less than 560 human beings from a watery grave. The picture is a copy of a painting by W. H. Franklin, a well known artist.