

Statistical Wheat Reports.

WHEAT IN CANADA

Stocks of Wheat in Canada at principal points of accumulation are reported as follows:

Montreal	102,000
Toronto	43,000
Kingston	Elevator burned
Winnipeg	391,000
Manitoba elevators	2,915,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	1,012,000

Total December 1st 4,408,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains as reported by Bradstreet's on Dec. 18, were 51,448,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 73,478,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on December 1 were 6,944,000 bushels, compared with 6,548,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains for the week ended Dec. 25, was 36,610,000 bushels, being an increase of 1,051,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 54,443,000 bushels, two years ago 69,958,000 bushels, three years ago 88,561,000 bushels, four years ago 80,228,000 bushels.

WHEAT STOCKS AT U.S. POINTS.

Chicago	6,338,000 bushels
Duluth	1,242,000 "
Minneapolis	11,352,000 "
New York	4,394,000 "
Buffalo	2,512,000 "

STOCK OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 12,772,000 bushels, compared with 11,359,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 38,150,000 bushels, compared with 17,460,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in the United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, on December 1, for a series of years, were as follows, Bradstreet's report: December 1, 1897, 129,603,000; December 1, 1896, 148,485,000; December 1, 1895, 164,348,000; December 1, 1894, 184,610,000; December 1, 1893, 190,386,000; December 1, 1892, 175,814,258; December 1, 1891, 157,748,775; December 1, 1890, 107,669,274; December 1, 1889, 117,255,000.

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets from the beginning of the crop year, August 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis	45,718,160	38,325,600
Milwaukee	5,391,705	5,159,110
Duluth	30,813,077	31,151,513
Chicago	24,080,500	12,984,807

Total 106,003,442 87,621,030

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United

States winter wheat markets from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1897, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo	8,738,067	5,993,668
St. Louis	9,570,750	9,404,208
Detroit	3,050,548	2,074,500
Kansas City	22,456,760	5,248,200
Total	44,430,121	23,320,480

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

Prices as to size and color, for prime skins. Skins taken out of season range much lower:

Badger	.50	@	.50
Bear, black	5.00	@	25.00
Bear, brown	4.00	@	20.00
Bear, yearlings	2.00	@	8.00
Bear, grizzly	5.00	@	10.00
Beaver, large	5.00	@	6.50
" medium	3.00	@	4.00
" small	1.50	@	2.25
" tubs	.50	@	1.00
" castors, per lb.	2.50	@	5.50
Fisher, dark	6.00	@	9.00
Fisher, pale	3.00	@	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large	5.00	@	15.00
" cross pale	2.50	@	5.00
" kitt	.10	@	.50
" red	1.00	@	1.60
" silver dark	40.00	@	75.00
" peale	25.00	@	60.00
Lynx, large	1.50	@	2.00
" medium	1.00	@	1.25
" small	.50	@	.75
Marten, dark	2.50	@	5.00
" pale or brown	1.50	@	4.00
" light pale	1.00	@	2.25
Mink, dark	1.00	@	1.50
Mink, pale	.75	@	1.25
Musquash, winter	.04	@	.10
" fall	.04	@	.07
Otter, dark	6.00	@	10.00
Otter, pale	5.00	@	8.00
Skunk	.25	@	.50
Wolf, timber	1.00	@	1.50
" prairie	.40	@	.75
Wolverine	1.00	@	3.50

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, afloat Fort William, 79c; No. 2 hard, 2½c under No. 1.

Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.30@2.45, Bakers, \$2.10@2.25.

Bran—Per ton, \$6.

Shorts—Per ton, \$8.

Oats—Per bushel, car lots on track, Winnipeg, 22@25c.

Barley—Feed, 20 @ 24c; Malting, 25@28c per bushel.

Flax Seed—Price to farmers at country points, 45@50c per bushel.

Butter—Dairy, round lots, 14c; creamery jobbing, 22@23c.

Cheese—Dealers selling at 8½@9½c.

Eggs—Dealers were paying 20c net for fresh, and selling lined at 17c.

Beef—City dressed, 4½ @ 5½c; country beef, 3@4c.

Mutton—5@5½c; lamb, 5½@6c.

Hogs—Dressed, 4 @ 4½c.

Cattle—Ordinary butchers, 2½@3c.

Hogs—Live, off cars, 3½c for best bacon.

Sheep—2½@3c off cars. Lambs, 3c.

Hides—Green frozen, 5c.

Seneca Root—Dry, 20c.

Poultry—Chickens, 6@7c per pound; turkeys, 9@10c per lb.

Potatoes—25c per bushel.

Hay—\$5.00 for baled on track.

British Columbia Markets.

[All quotations unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usual, taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.]

BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, December 31, 1897.

Butter—Manitoba dairy 19@20c; Manitoba creamery 23½@25c. per lb.

Eggs—Eastern eggs, 18½@19c. per doz. Local, 40c.

Cheese—Manitoba 11½@12½c. per lb.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½c; breakfast bacon 13½c; backs 12c; long clear 9½c; short rolls 10c; smoked sides 11c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 9½c per lb, in pails and tubs 9c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; black cod 5c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 5c; herring 4c; frozen salmon 6c lb; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked halibut 16c; kippered cod 6c; sturgeon 6c; smoked salmon 10c; finnan haddie 15c; kippered herring 9c; Columbia river oolochaus 7c lb; fresh halibut, 6c.

Vegetables—Potatoes \$12@14 per ton ashcroft \$10.50; California onions 2c lb; onions 1½c lb; cabbage 1½c lb; carrots turnips and beets \$10.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons \$4.00; apples, 75c@81.25; bananas, 1.75@2.00; Japan oranges, 40@50c.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.75; 245 pounds sacks \$2.80; 422½ pound sacks \$2.90; 10.7 sacks, \$2.00 Oatmeal 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.50 per sack.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$6.25; strong bakers \$6.00; Oregon, jobbers price \$6.00.

Grain—Oats, \$18@20 per ton; wheat, \$25@26 per ton; barley, \$26 per ton.

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$23.00@24.00 per ton; ground barley, \$24 @ 26 ton; shorts \$23 ton; bran \$20; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$14.00 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef \$5.75 @ \$6.25; mutton 7½@8c; Australian mutton, 7c; pork 6@7½c; veal 6@8c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, grass feed \$3.25 @ \$3.50 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$3.75 @ \$4.00 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$5.00@5.25 per 100 lbs; cows \$2.75@3.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens \$4.50@5.00 a doz. hens, \$4.50 doz.; ducks, \$4.50 doz.; turkeys, \$25.00 a doz.

Game—Venison, 4c lb; grouse, 60c brace; mallard, 30c brace.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots, 11c per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9@10c; prunes, French 5@7½c; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 8@8½c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnut, 13c lb.

Sugars—Powdered and icing, 6½c; Paris lump, 5½c; granulated, 4½c; extra C. 4½c; fancy yellows 4c; yellow 3½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 1½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon kegs \$1.50 each; 1 gallon tins, \$4 case of 10; 1 gallon tins, \$4.75 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 20c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.