

WITH THE FARMERS

FARMERS' MARKETS. AT THE CITY MARKET. Little produce has been offered on the market during the past week, the extremely cold weather having kept at home the farmers in all but the districts very close to the city.

Grain and Feed. Wheat at elevators, 80 to 82c per bus. Wheat to millers, 82 to 85c per bus. New Oats, 26c to 28c per bushel. Oats at Elevators, 25c to 26c per bus.

Dairy Products. Dairy Butter, 20c to 25c per lb. Dairy Butter to dealers, 22c to 25c. Creamery Butter, 25c to 30c per lb. Eggs, 35c to 40c per dozen.

Vegetables. Potatoes, 45c to 50c per bushel. Carrots, 40c per bushel. Turnips, 40c per bushel.

TUESDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS. Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—The early goosy there was a report of frost damage in the Argentine and in this report bulls were active and market strong.

Chicago Live Stock. Chicago, Dec. 7.—Hog supply was again light and the high market established yesterday was well maintained. Quotably it was a steady 5c lower trade. Quality was not up to yesterday's standard and the bulk sold at 8.25 to 8.45.

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8.25; light, 7.50 to 8.35; pigs, 6.25 to 7.40; bulls, 5.25 to 8.50. Cattle—Receipts 5,500; steady. Beaves, 4.40 to 9.25; cows and heifers, 2.25 to 6.25; stockers and feeders, 3.25 to 6.15; calves, 1.50 to 8.50; Texans, 5.00 to 6.25; westerners, 4.50 to 7.50. Sheep—22,000 strong. Sheep, 3.40 to 6.40; lambs, 4.50 to 8.00.

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The bears in wheat had an inning today, although the outlook early was for another bull movement which would have driven many bears out of their position. Frost damage in the Argentine was hashed and rehashed again before the opening and buying was active and of good character early.

Corn showed fractional advances, but showed sharp losses from outside prices reported and broke with wheat after following it upward early. Shorts, and possibly some outside ones as well, ran to cover and advanced the price. The strength in wheat and the rough weather probably caused nervousness.

Provisions were active with a bullish bias, but the prominent feature was the heavy purchases of January products, the advance brought out liberal offerings mainly from outside sources and the pressure in the market for the early demand had been satisfied. The continued light marketing of hogs no doubt influenced the buying by packers.

CORRESPONDENCE

WANT SPECIAL FAVORS.

Editor Bulletin: Sir.—Concerning your editorial in Saturday's issue, "An unnecessary restriction," will you kindly allow me space in your next issue to show reasons why the retail butchers are seeking for the so-called "unnecessary restrictions" in regard to the selling and cutting of meat on the public market. Anyone who is at all acquainted with the conditions under which meats are being sold on the market today, is well aware of the fact that meat of the same quality is not sold by farmers but by hucksters or peddlers in spite of a city by-law which says that no peddler, or other person who carries on a petty trade or who goes from place to place, or to other men's houses on foot, or with any animal bearing or drawing any goods, wares or merchandise, and the licensee "shall be \$25.00 per day; provided that a license shall be continued from day to day upon the payment of \$50.00 for each day after the date of the license. But shall not include any person selling farm or garden produce or produce including meat and poultry grown or raised by themselves."

Not one license, so far as we are aware, has been issued under the above conditions, notwithstanding the fact that in the majority of cases the meats are being sold by hawkers or peddlers, while the by-law states distinctly that garden produce, meats or poultry must be grown or raised by the party selling them. A strict enforcement of the by-law in regard to the peddler is what we ask for. It is not a request for "special favors" for the retail butcher, because we certainly fail to see where any "special favors" or even fairness comes in where the retail butcher must pay the large business and floor space tax exacted by the city, while these men, the peddlers, are allowed to sell from door to door and stand on the market place and dispose of their wares without paying a tax of any kind. In regard to the cutting up of meat by the farmer, we ask that the city council insert in the by-law a clause prohibiting farmers from selling meat in less quantities than the quarter of any carcass. Anyone who has taken the trouble to look around the market and observed the manner in which the meats are handled and the unsanitary conditions surrounding the same, will readily agree that anything that will tend to mitigate the filthy conditions under which the meats are being handled is for the public

good. This again we say is not a question of "special favors" for the retail butcher, where promises must be open at all times to the inspection of the health department, while the farmer, the most privileged of us, can bring his meat on the market under such unsanitary conditions as no retail butcher would dare allow. It is from the door to door and stand on the market place and dispose of their wares without paying a tax of any kind. In regard to the cutting up of meat by the farmer, we ask that the city council insert in the by-law a clause prohibiting farmers from selling meat in less quantities than the quarter of any carcass. Anyone who has taken the trouble to look around the market and observed the manner in which the meats are handled and the unsanitary conditions surrounding the same, will readily agree that anything that will tend to mitigate the filthy conditions under which the meats are being handled is for the public

Respectfully yours, R. G. LAWIE, Sec'y of the Provisioners Association, Edmonton, December 6th, 1909. BLACKHANDERS IN THE TOILS. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 3.—Four Italians, charged with blackhand operations in Collinsville, were arrested in that town today and are in jail at Edwardsville. Lamart, a coal mine owner, was the man on whom a demand was made in a letter for \$6,500 under penalty of kidnapping his three children and dynamiting his home. He placed a parcel of money, mostly of the stage variety, at the appointed place and two of the men were caught. The other two which were caught when they came from their homes in St. Louis, looking for a share of the proceeds. The arrested were Giuseppe Palazzola, Frank Sicoto, Louis Bindi and Joe Laurassa. There is a large colony of Italians in Collinsville and it was in that town that the Vivian blackmail which their children were being held for ransom.

3 CANDIDATES IN WINNIPEG. For Mayorship—Thos. Aldermanic Vacancies go by Acclamation. Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Nomination proceedings were very quiet at the city hall today. Of the seven aldermanic vacancies three were filled by acclamation, while a like result occurred in regard to four of the vacancies for school trustee. The present mayor will have two opponents this year: E. Betsworth and Charles R. Wilkes. For mayor—William Sanford Evans, Edwin Botsworth, Charles R. Wilkes. For aldermen—Ward one, Francis William Adams, acclamation; ward two, John McKennie, acclamation; ward three, James Ward Campbell, and John James Wallace; ward four, William Grigg Douglass, acclamation; ward five, James Willoughby and Joseph Markarski; ward six, Robert James Shore and James G. Munroe; ward seven, Charles Midwinter, and William Alexander Farmer. For school trustees—Ward one,

Donald A. Ross, acclamation; ward two, John McKennie, acclamation; ward three, Arthur Congdon and J. Peterson; ward four, John T. Haigh and James Edwin Riley; ward five, William H. Stone, and Dr. R. S. McMunn; ward six, George Grisland, acclamation; ward seven, Dr. G. Hamilton, acclamation. C. R. Wilkes, whose name unexpectedly appeared on the mayorality nomination sheet today, says he will bring an action against City Clerk Charles Brown for forgery in that the latter put on the name of "Ginger Snooks," a well known character and scavenger, on his nomination papers. Wilkes is an old resident of the city and had to be helped up the stairs of the city hall today by two men.

ing has begun in Chicago. The blizzard which blew suddenly into the city on Monday night and which blew out again this afternoon most severely, covered the ground with several inches of snow. It brought death to five. It brought injuries to scores. It brought suffering to thousands, but to paint the bright side of an otherwise sombre picture, it brought work and money and all that goes with it, for thousands of needy men and hungry wives and little ones dependent upon them. One man died as the result of exposure and cold. The switchmen and a sectionman were blinded by the driving snow of the morning and went to their death in the railroad yards; still another man was struck and killed by a train. COLD BRINGS SUFFERING. King Leopold Dying. Brussels, Dec. 8.—A consultation of noted specialists was held today over King Leopold who is believed to be dying of paralysis. The official statement says there is still hope.

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NEWS

KEEPHILL. Bulletin News Service. J. Smith has been homesteaded for a timber tract on Friday last and on the same day Walter Jones, one of the three trappers who travelled all that night J. Barnett, who took a

SIEN. Bulletin News Service. One of the most interesting Siens has ever been last Friday at the Siens occasion was a basket dance, interspersed with instrumental music. The result was very interesting and the Siens was held in the evening. The Siens was held in the evening. The Siens was held in the evening.

FORT SASKATOON. At Dew Creek School Friday evening, the Josephine School, a Christmas concert for a special occasion. The event was a short concert, given by the Dew Creek school children, and Mrs. A. Buckle gave also gave recitations, and Miss Schultz gave recitations on the most matchless features of the evening. The event was a short concert, given by the Dew Creek school children, and Mrs. A. Buckle gave also gave recitations, and Miss Schultz gave recitations on the most matchless features of the evening.

EAST CLOVER. Bulletin News Service. Additional interest in the November meeting of the Local Union A.F. of M. was shown by the presence of M.P.P. and a crowd of well-wishers. The meeting was held in the evening. The meeting was held in the evening.