# Winnipeg Live Stock

Stockyard Red	ceipts	
(Week Ending Dece	ember 2	(3)
Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
C. P. R 345.	2559	683
C. N. R 122	665	10
G. T. P		
Total last-week 467	3224	693
Total prev. week 2653	1440	240
Total year ago 1277	2060	29
Disposition		* 4
Butchers east		185
Local consumption		282

#### Cattle

There has been nothing doing at the stockyards during the last few days owing to the holidays, and it is not expected that there will be much stock compected that there will be much stock coming in for a week or two yet. This is just as well, for no one seems anxious to buy and even a fair supply of cattle would put prices down. The volume of business done at the Winnipeg yards this season has been considerably below the average for recent years, but this is due as much to the increased consumption of the Western towns and cities as to a decline in cattle raising. At the present rate of progress Western Canada will soon be importing beef, as it is now importing pork, mutton and all kinds of dairy produce. This year Western Canada has not sent more than half as many has not sent more than half as many cattle east for export as last, but prices generally have not been any better than a year ago. More cattle would no doubt be raised if prices were better, and in this connection it is interesting to note the difference between prices at Winnipeg and Chicago, which are given on the preceding page. Since prices both for Chicago and Winnipeg are largely dependent on the British markets it is evident there is a big loss somewhere between the Canadian cattle raiser and the British the Canadian cattle raiser and the British consumer, and this waste will have to be cut out before cattle raising in the West can flourish. The stockmen made a creditable presentation of their case better transportation conditions before the railway commission at Toronto a few days ago, and the decision of the board will be awaited with interest.

# Hogs

There are practically no Western hogs coming in now, but the packers appear to be able to get along without supplies from the West, and will not pay more than \$7 a cwt. for the choicest kinds, with considerable cuts on roughs and

## Sheep and Lambs

There is very little doing in sheep and prices are unchanged from a week ago.

# Country Produce

Butter
The butter market is steady at last week's prices. There is little butter reaching Winnipeg from Manitoba points, but plentiful supplies are coming from the east and south. Manitoba fancy dairy is worth 28 cents, No. 1, 26 cents. and good round lots 23 cents.

### Eggs

The few farmers' wives who have managed to keep their hens laying are getting very satisfactory returns for their trouble. Fifty cents a dozen is being paid for strictly fresh eggs, and 28 cents for held stock fit for boiling.

### Milk and Cream

Winter dairying is also proving profitable, but apparently a very small proportion of Western farmers are getting the benefit of present good prices, a large quantity of milk and cream being imported daily. Sweet cream is bringing 40 cents per pound of butter fat, sour 32 cents, and fresh milk \$2.00 per hundred pounds.

#### Potatoes

The local potato market is steady, 70 cents a bushel, on cars at Winnipeg, being the ruling price. It is evident, however, that there is going to be a considerable change in the potato situation before the spring. Eastern Canada and also the United-States, is importing potators from Great Britain and at potatoes from Great Britain, and at Ottawa potatoes are selling retail at \$1 a bushel. Last year at this time potatoes were being brought to the Westfrom Ontario, but there will be none to come West this winter, and it is a question whether the West has enough to supply its own needs. As potatoes are now selling at from 70 cents to a dollar wholesale at Minneapolis, according to quality, it is not likely that any will be brought from the south, the duty being 20 cents a bushel and freight from Minneapolis to Winnipeg 15 cents. Considering the large quantity of potatoes that have been spoiled by frost, both before and after digging, it does not look if there would be to the west. as if there would be enough in the West to supply the demand, and if this is so high prices will rule when stocks begin to get low. For the present, however, the demand is being met from the large shipments made before the freeze up, and dealers are waiting to see how the and dealers are waiting to see how the stocks hold out before making efforts to secure any large quantity.

## Poultry

Now that Christmas is over there is not the same demand for poultry, and prices are lower, butchers offering about two cents a pound less all round for dressed poultry. The packers are paying the same price as before for live poultry,

continent.

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but they are getting very few since the cold weather has enabled the poultry to be killed and dressed on the farm. Turkeys are worth 14 cents live weight and 18 cents dressed. Chickens are worth 12 cents live weight and 13 cents dressed, ducks 12 cents and 13 cents, geese 10 cents and 13 cents, fowl 9 cents and 10 cents.

Dressed Pork

Dressed pork is about the same as last week, retail butchers buying from the country at 10 and 10½ cents a pound for choice weight 125 to 150 lbs. and from 8½ cents up for heavier pigs.

### CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Both longs and shorts today busied themselves getting clear of wheat. All American grain exchanges will be closed Saturday and Monday, and there was a general desire to be free of commitments and avoid the effects of any surprise which might be sprung in foreign markets. The end of the evening up process left wheat varying from a shade lower to ½ higher than last night. Corn finished a sixteenth to ¼c.

down, and oats unchanged to ¾ off.

Argentine weather helped to relieve both sides of the wheat though at different times. Early in the session prices were strengthened by reports of showers in South American harvest fields. Subse-quently, word came of clear skies and sizzling temperature in that quarter, resulting in considerale weakness, which however, gave way aferward to steadiness all around when themajority of dealers had arranged their rades in ship-shape fashion for the holiays. World's shipments promised to be nearly 2,500,000 bushels less than a year ago, but this

bushels less than a year ago, but this fact was offset by sigs of another increase of the United Stres visible supply. The Missouri stoc especially looked large at nearly 17,00,000 bushels.

Selling out of a lrge line held by a local speculator wekened oats. Afterward, however, the mrket hardened as a result of scattered bying on the part of commission bouses. commission houses.

## VISIBLEWHEAT

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Total wheat 7368,000, last year 43,929,000. Corn .965,000, last year 3,300,000. Oats 1494,000, last year

# TOUGHWHEAT

Tough wheat quations December 26 were: No. 3, 81 cds; No. 4, 73 cents; No. 5, 62 cents.

# THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

# CORRECTED TO TUESDAY, DECIMBER 26

WINNIPEG GRAIN	Tue.	W'k Ago	Y'r Ago	WINNIPEG LIVE STOCK	Tuesday	Week Ago	Year Ago	COUNTRY PRODUCE	Tuesday	Week Ago	Y ear Ago
G 1 1771								7			
Cash Wheat		THE STATE		Cattle	8 c. 8 c.	8 c. 8 c.	\$ c. \$ c.	Butter (per lb.)			
No. 1 Nor	93	95	893					Fancy dairy	28c	28c	25c-27c
No. 2 Nor		92	863	Choice export steers	4.85-5.00	4.85-5.00	5.00-5.25	No. 1 dairy	26c	26c	24c
No. 3 Nor		85	831	Good export steers	4.50-4.75	4.50-4.75	4.65-4.75	Good round lots	23c	23c	20c-21c
No. 4	1 2 2 2 1	78		Choice butcher steers and							
No. 5		69		heifers	4.50-5.00	4.50-5.00	4.65-4.75	Eggs (per doz.)			
No. 6	57	60		Fair to good butcher steers							
Feed	53	56		and heifers	4.25-4.40	4.25-4.40	4 25-4.50	Strictly fresh	50c	50c	50c
				Common to medium butcher	0 50 0 75	0 10 0 71	9 00 9 75	Subject to candling	28c	28c	28c
Cash Oats		11113		steers and heifers	3.50-3.75	3 50-3.75	3.00-3.75				
	Las			Best fat cows	3.75-4.00	3.75-4 00 3 35-3 50	4.00-4.40 3.65-3.85	Potatoes,			
No. 2 C.W	36	371	321	Medium cows	3.35-8.50 3.00-3.25	3 00-3 25	2.75-3.25	Per bushel		~0-	
	1000			Canners	3.35-3.50	3.35-3.50	3.40-3.75	Ter busiler	70.	70c	6.50-7.00
Cash Barley	1000	12 1403		Best bulls	3 00-3 25	3.00-3.25	3.40-3.73	Milk and Cream			
				Common and medium bulls	3 75 4 00	3.75-4.00	4.25-4.50	Wilk and Oream			
No. 3		49	47	Best stockers and feeders	3.00-3.50	3.00-3.50	3.00-3.50	Sweet cream (per lb. butter			
		1. 7. 1.		Light stockers	5.50-6.00	5.50-6.00	4.50-5.00	fat)	40c	40c	
Cash Flax		100	Sec. 38	Choice veal calves	4 50-5.00	4.50-5.00	3.25-4.50	Cream for butter-making	400	100	
			200	Common to medium calves	4 30-3.00	4.30-3.00	3. 23-4.00	purposes (per lb. butter			
No. 1 N.W	185		207	Best milkers and springers	\$45 - \$60	\$45-860		fat)	32e	32c	
Wheat Futures	100	116		(each)	440 - 400	940-400		Sweet milk (per 100 lbs.)	×¥ 00	82.00	
		051	90	(each)	\$25 - \$35	825-835					
December	95	95		(each)	420 400	420 000		Live Poultry			
January		.991	941					Chickens	20	12c	110
May (old style) May (new style)	98	981		Hogs				Fowl	9c	9c	8c
May (new style)	. 98	001	1.	11083				Old Roosters	9c	90	5e
O-t- Futumes		100		Choice hogs	\$7.00	7.00-7.25	7 25-7.50	Ducks	120	120	12c
Oats Futures		131	1200	Rough sows	5.00-6.50	5.00-6.50	5.75-6 75	Geese	10e	10c -	10c
December	36	371	325	Stags	4.50-5.50	4 50-5 50	5.00-5.50	Turkeys	14c	14c	17
May	. 38										
	.00		200	Chase and Tamba				Hay (per ton)			. 8 c. 8 c.
Flax Futures		1		Sheep and Lambs				No. 1 Wild	88	\$8	12.00-12.50
December	. 185	184	207	Choice lambs	5 25-5 50	5 25-5 50	5.25-6.00	No. 2 Wild	. 87	87	11.50-12.00
May				Best killing sheep		4 25 4 50	4.50-5.00	No. 1 Timothy	811	\$11	14.00-16.00