

LUMBER

There has been a continuation of the active demand from the city trade. Quite a number of new buildings have been started, which will be rushed forward to completion before cold weather sets in and the call for lumber for these has kept dealers moving. From the country the trade is not so good proportionately, though fairly active.

PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS

A further advance in noted in turpentine. Quotations are as follows: Turpentine 75c; harness oil, \$1.10; Neatsfoot oil, \$1.50; linseed oil, raw 68c per gal., boiled 71c; seal oil steam refined, \$1.10; castor, 14c per lb; lard No. 1, \$1.25 per gal.; olive, \$1.00 to \$2.00, according to quality; machine oils, black 25 to 40c; oleine, 40c; fine qualities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, silver star, 26c; headlight, 28c; water white, 30c. American oils, Eocene, 36c; water white, 33c; sunlight, 30c; Eldorado, machine, 56c. Calcined plaster, \$3.75 per bbl; Portland cement, \$4.75; white lead, genuine, \$7.00; No. 1 \$6.50; No. 2 \$6.00; window glass, first break, \$2.25.

SADDLERY AND HARNESS

The feeling has been slightly quieter, though still fairly active for the season.

STATIONERY AND PAPER

Dealers seem to be very satisfied with the business doing, and the season promises to show a large aggregate trade.

WINES AND SPIRITS

Dealers find their trade steadily increasing since cool weather set in. Prices are: Gooderham & Wort's five year old, \$2.40; 7 year old, \$3; old rye, \$1.75; Jules Robin brandy, \$4.50; Bisquet Debonche & Co., \$4.75; Martell, \$6.50; Hennessy, \$6.50; DeKuyper gin, \$3.50; Port wine, \$2.50 and upwards; Sherry \$2.50 and upwards; Jamaica rum, \$4.00 to \$4.50; DeKuyper red gin, \$11 per case; DeKuyper green gin, \$6.50 per case; Tom Gin, \$9.00 to \$10.00; Martel and Hennessy's brandy, \$13.50 per case of 12 bottles.

WOOL

Prices have not been altered here and are as follows: Leicester and Cotswold, washed, 14c to 16c; cotted and broken, washed, 12c; unwashed 8c to 11c; unwashed and tags off, 10 to 12c; Montana sheep, unwashed, 11 to 12c.

THE MARKETS

WINNIPEG

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

In the leading cereal the situation has remained very much the same during the past week as at the time of our last report. The easy feeling ruling at outside markets has continued to be the main influencing feature here, and there has been something of a quiet and unsettled disposition throughout the week. The slight changes in prices at outside markets did not influence prices here sufficiently to cause changes in quotations, which have held at last reported figures. Deliveries at provincial points have not greatly increased. Shipments going east were generally to fill orders taken some time previous, which could not have been filled earlier owing to the shortage of cars. Cars are

now said to be more readily obtained. The late rains have rendered plowing more easy, and the activity with which this work is going on would have some effect on the deliveries of wheat, toward curtailing the same. A really brisk movement can hardly be looked for before the ground freezes up, unless in the meantime prices rule a good deal stronger, but with present low prices farmers will not be anxious to market their grain so long as they can do anything else. There have been no new features in coarse grains. Flour and millstuffs hold steady. Provisions keep firm and some products higher.

WHEAT

Last week's quotations have steadily been maintained during the week. Loads delivered in the city by farmers have been taken at the mills at the old figures of 62c for No. 1 hard, and 58 to 59c for No. 2 hard and No. 1 northern. Very little of any other grades have been offered. Cars on track at outside points have sold at 53 to 55c, for through shipment, according to rate of freight from point of consignment, prices being for No. 1 hard, No. 2 hard, and 1 northern, would be worth about 3c less.

FLOUR

Local prices have been maintained at last quotations, and without any new features. For broken lots, delivered in the city, or f.o.b. cars, prices are as follows: Patents, \$2.45 to \$2.50; strong bakers', \$1.90; XXX, \$1.30 to \$1.40; superfine, 90c to \$1.00.

BRAN AND SHORTS

Quotations are unchanged at \$8 for bran and \$10 for shorts per ton.

BARLEY

There has been nothing done in this grain yet for shipment, nor is there likely to be whilst prices for oats rule so high. The low prices for barley at eastern markets and the high prices for oats here, make this grain more valuable for home use for feeding purposes than for shipment. Prices are firmer here for feed barley and 40c could now be readily obtained.

OATMEAL

The continued advance in the price of oats has rendered another advance in oatmeal necessary. Standard is now quoted at \$2.75 and granulated at \$3.00, in barrel lots, to the trade.

OATS

The firmness noted last week continued and prices ruled about the same. Farmers' loads brought 38 to 40c, and car lots could be quoted about the same. Receipts of the latter were more liberal toward the close of the week, and it is doubtful if prices continue at the top.

POTATOES

Car lots have been purchased at country points at from 25 to 35c per bushel, f.o.b. or equal to 30c to 40c here, for which latter figures the local trade has been supplied.

CHEESE

Prices have continued to advance and the Ontario product is now held at 14 to 15c in small lots. Large lots could be had at 13c. Some sales at provincial factories have been reported at 10c.

EGGS

The scarcity in fresh continues and last week case lots sold as high as 22c for strictly fresh.

BUTTER

Butter has been coming in more freely of late, and it would appear that stocks held in the country are ample. Receipts have been in the shape of tubs and pails almost exclusively, and choicest qualities of these have brought 19 to 20c. Poorer qualities can be had at 10 to 12c, and from 12c upwards for medium grades. Some creamery was offered at 20c at the factory and in the city some small lots brought 22c.

BACON

There has been about the usual steady demand. Prices are for the home product, with

imported selling $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1c higher. Quotations are: Long clear, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 9c; smoked, not offered; breakfast bacon, 12c; spiced roll, 22c.

HAMS

Steady at 15c for plain, home cured.

LARD

Has sold in 20 lb pails at \$2.15 to \$2.25; 3 lb pails have sold at 43c each, and 5 lb pails at 65c each.

DRESSED MEATS

Pork has been readily taken at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 $\frac{1}{4}$, by packers. Beef sides steady and selling at 6 to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, mutton 9c, veal 7 to 8c. Venison is now offered freely. Moose and elk, in carcasses sold at 6 to 7c, and deer carcasses at 9 to 10c. Haunches of deer, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, and moose and elk, 8 to 10c.

LIVE STOCK

Hogs have held firm for local use and the choicest light would bring 4c off cars. Cattle unchanged at 3c and 5 per cent. off, for good stocks. Cows and oxen 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ c on the market.

MINNEAPOLIS

There has been a frantic endeavor to bull wheat, the past week, and the boomers have succeeded in raising prices nearly 2c from the lowest point of the week, although sharp fluctuations were the rule every day, and the close was below the top fraction reached. The increase in the visible was unexpectedly small, the manufacturers of war rumors were unusually busy, and the movement in the northwest was lessened by the railroad strike here. This causes a filling up of country elevators, as well as the side-racking of large quantities in the country, all of which will move rapidly into sight as soon as the strike is over. The probable early closing of lake navigation will also operate to depress the market, and November deliveries from farmers promise to be unusually large. Receipts for the week are about one-quarter of wheat they would have been but for the railroad strike, while shipments showed a similar falling off. Some country elevators are turning away wheat teams because they are full and can not get cars to ship in.

"Wheat must drop about 5c before Dec. 15," said a miller. "They may bull it a little now, but they will get it lower before December is half gone."

"If you have plenty of money you might buy wheat at present prices and get a profit," said a shrewd observer. "I think November is a good sale in Chicago at 73c or above, but they may put it higher before it takes another tumble. If you buy, you had better hedge securely."

The highest and lowest wheat prices by grade on 'change during the week ending Oct. 13th, closing prices, and the prices one year ago were:

| WHEAT— | Highest. | Lowest. | Closing. | Oct. 21, 1913 |
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| No. 1 hard | 72 | 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 72 | 90 |
| " 1 northern | 70 | 69 | 70 | 86 |
| " 2 " | 69 | 67 | 68 | 82 |

Futures were but a trifle stronger than cash wheat. November 1 hard closed at 72c, December at 73 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and May at 82c. November 1 northern closed at 70c, December at 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and May at 80c. Coarse grains were quiet, corn closing at 34 to 36c, oats at 25 to 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, barley at 40 to 46c and rye at 45 to 49c, all by sample.

MILLSTUFF—Is in good demand and being sold ahead and hard to move, is strong, with