

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 2 oats and No. 2 corn, per bushel. Pork is quoted per barrel and lard and short ribs per 100 pounds.

Chicago, May 17.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—May 72 1-2; July 71 3-4; Sept. 60 7-8 to 67.

Corn—May 24 3-4; July 24 7-8; Sept. 25 7-8.

Oats—May \$17 7-8; Sept. 18 1-8.

Pork—May \$8.20; July \$8.22; Sept. \$8.25.

Lard—May \$3.75; July \$3.80; Sept. \$3.90.

Ribs—May \$4.50; July \$4.50; Sept. \$4.52.

Chicago, May 18.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2, May, 70 7-8; July, 70 7-8; Sept., 66 1-4.

Corn—No. 2, May, 24 1-2; July, 24 5-8; Sept., 25 3-4 to 7-8.

Mass Pork—May, \$8.20; July, \$8.24; Sept., 17 7-8 to 18.

Mass Pork—May, \$8.20; July, \$8.22 1-2; Sept., \$8.25.

Lard—May, \$1.75; July, \$1.80; Sept., \$1.90.

Short Ribs—May, \$1.50; July, \$1.50; Sept., \$1.52 1-2.

Chicago, May 19.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—May, 71 1-2; July, 71; Sept., 66 1-2.

Corn—May 24 1-4; July 24 3-8; Sept. 24 1-2; Sept., 25 5-8.

Oats—May, 17 3-4; July, 17 7-8; Sept., 18.

Mass Pork—May, \$8.15; July, \$8.17 1-2; Sept., \$8.20.

Lard—May, \$3.75; July, \$3.80; Sept., \$3.90.

Short Ribs—May, \$4.47 1-2; July, \$4.47 1-2; Sept., \$4.50.

Chicago, May 20.—Wheat, May closed 72 1-4; July opened 70 7-8; closed 71 3-4; Sept. opened 66; closed 67 1-4; Dec. opened 68; closed 69 1-8.

Corn—May closed 24 1-4; July opened 24 3-8; closed 24 1-2; Sept. opened 25 1-2; closed 25 5-8.

Oats—May closed 18; July opened 17 3-4; closed 18 1-8; Sept. opened 17 7-8; closed 18 1-8.

Pork—May closed \$8.22; July opened \$8.20; closed \$8.25; Sept. closed \$8.27.

Lard—May closed \$3.80; July opened \$3.80; closed \$3.85; Sept. opened \$3.90; closed \$3.92.

Chicago, May 21.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—May 71 7-8; July 70 7-8; Sept. 60 1-8.

Corn—May 24 1-4; July 24 1-2 to 24 5-8; Sept. 25 5-8.

Oats—May 17 7-8; July 17 7-8 to 18; Sept. 18.

Pork—May \$8.35; July \$8.37; Sept. \$8.42.

Lard—May, \$3.85; July, \$3.90; Sept., \$4.00.

Ribs—May and July \$4.57; Sept. \$4.62.

Chicago, May 22.—July wheat opened at 71c, and ranged up to 72 1-2c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—May 73 1-8, July 72, Sept. 67c.

Corn—March 24 1-4, July 24 1-2.

Oats—May 17 3-4, July 17 7-8.

Pork—\$8.17 1-2, July \$8.20.

Lard—May \$3.75, July \$3.0.

Ribs—May \$4.50, July \$4.50.

Flax seed—Cash 77 1-2, May and July 77.

Last week July delivered closed at 72 7-8c. A year ago July wheat closed at 61c. Two years ago at 79 1-2 and three years ago at 55 3-8c.

British Columbia Markets.

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

(By wire to the Commercial.)

Vancouver, May 22, 1897.

New Manitoba creamery was first offered this week, and is quoted at 21c. Cattle and hogs are advancing and next quotations will be higher, while sheep will be lower.

Butter—California dairy, 22c; California creamery 23c; Manitoba dairy 18c; Manitoba creamery, 21c; Manitoba cheese, 10c; California cheese 12c per lb.

Cured meats—Hams, 13 1-2c; breakfast bacon, 13c; backs, 9 1-2c; long, clear, 9 1-2c; short rolls 9 1-2 to 10c; smoked sides 10 1-2c. Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per lb., in pails and tubs 9 1-2c lb.

Fish—Prices are: Flounders, 8c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; black cod, 5c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 5c; herring, 4c; spring salmon 7c; steelhead, 7c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked halibut, 10c; kippered cod, 9c; sturgeon 6c; smoked salmon, 10c; finnan haddock, 10c; kippered herring, 12c; Columbia river oolichans, 7c.

Vegetables—Local potatoes, \$23 to \$25 per ton; onions 3c; cabbage, 13-4 cts., lb.; carrots, turnips and beets, \$10 a ton.

Eggs—Oregon eggs 17c; Manitoba eggs, 15c to 15 1-2c.

Fruit—Fruit is sold by box unless otherwise quoted. Standard American boxes measure one foot ten and a half inches by eleven and a half inches, with depth of eleven inches, inside measurement, and contain from 280 to 380 lemons, from 125 to 300 seedling oranges, or from 125 to 150 navel oranges. California lemons, \$2.50. California oranges, seedling, \$2 to \$2.25; navel oranges, \$3.50; Australian apples, \$2.50; bananas, \$2.75 per bunch; cherries, 10 lb box, \$2.50; St. Michael oranges, \$3.50; Mediterranean oranges, \$3; asparagus, 20 lb box, \$1.50; cucumbers, doz., 90c; peas, 30 lb crate, \$1.70.

Evaporated fruits—Apricots 11c per lb; peaches 9c; plums 9 to 10c; prunes, French, 5 to 7 1-2c; loose Muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6 to 8 1-2c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13c; filberts, 12 1-2c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12 1-2c; walnuts, 13c lb.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$3.00; 45 pound sacks, \$3.10; 22 1-2 pound sacks, \$3.20; 10 7/8 sacks, \$2.60. Oat meal, 10-10's, \$3.25; 2-30's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.70.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Marx's patent, per barrel, \$5.50; strong bakers' \$5.20; Oregon, \$5.80.

Grain—Local wheat, \$30 to \$35. Oats \$26 per ton.

Ground feed—National mills chop, \$23 to \$24 per ton; ground barley \$22 ton; shorts, \$21.00 ton; bran, \$19.00; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver, including duty paid on import stuff.

Hay—\$17 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 81-2 to 90; mutton, 10c; pork, 61-2 to 71-2c; veal, 8 to 90 lb.

Live stock—Steers, \$4.75 to \$5.00 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$4 to \$4.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$5.50 to \$5.75 per 100 lbs.

Poultry—Chickens, \$5.50 to \$6 doz.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

At Toronto, May 18, export cattle were easier owing to scarcity of ocean space. Many cattle were held over. Prices ruled at from 33-4c to 41-2 as to quality. There was a good demand for butchers' stock at 33-4c to 4c, and a few choice bought up to 41-2c. Several loads were taken for Buffalo. Stockers sold at 3c to 31-4c, and feeders at 31-4 to 4c. Twenty cars of the former were taken for Buffalo. Sheep were dull at 31-2c to 33-4c; yearlings 5 to 53-4c; Hogs were firm. Choice selections of bacon hogs sold at 51-8c per pound, weighed off the cars. Thick fat hogs sold at 43-4c; light hogs 5c; sows 3c and stags 2c to 21-4c. All kinds are wanted.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

On Saturday, May 22, No. 1 Northern wheat closed at 72 1-2c for May option, 72 1-8c for July, and 64 5-8c for September. A week ago July wheat closed at 73 3-4c.

NEW YORK WHEAT.

On Saturday, May 22, May option closed at 80c, July at 77 3-8c, and September at 72 7-8c. A week ago May option closed at 81 1-2c, and two weeks ago at 79 3-4c.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week: Monday—May 74 1-4c, July 67 1-4c Tuesday—May 73c, July 66 5-8c. Wednesday—May 73 1-8c, July 66 7-8 Thursday—May 73 7-8c, July 67 5-8c. Friday—May 73c, July 66 1-2c. Saturday—May 74c, July 67 1-4c.

On Saturday, May 22, cash No. 1 hard closed at 75 3-8c, and cash No. 1 Northern at 74 7-8c.

Last week July deliveries closed at 75 1-4c. A year ago July closed at 62 1-2c.

**TENDERS.**

Sealed Tenders, marked "For Mounted Police Provisions and Light Supplies," and addressed to the Honourable the President of the Privy Council, Ottawa, will be received up to noon on Saturday, 29th May, 1897.

Printed forms of tender containing full information as to the articles and approximate quantities required, may be had on application at any of the Mounted Police posts in the Northwest, or at the office of the undersigned.

No tender will be received unless made on such printed forms.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted Canadian bank cheque for an amount equal to ten per cent. of the total value of the articles tendered for, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the service contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

No payment will be made to newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority having first been obtained.

FRED. WHITE,

Comptroller N. W. M. Police,

Ottawa, April 29th, 1897.