

# CHICAGO MARKET.

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**GENERAL CONDITIONS FAVORABLE FOR AN ADVANCE IN PRICE—FARM RESERVES LESS THAN A YEAR AGO.**

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The buying side of wheat is somewhat more popular than it was. Up to a month ago everything seemed bearish—the large stocks, the perfect crop conditions, the indifferent cash demand and the slow speculation. Within a month the completeness of the bear prospect has been disturbed by some damage to the French crop. No one knows how serious this has been, not even the Frenchmen themselves; but the Paris price would not have advanced equal to 10c per bushel if the condition did not give some reasonable occasion for uncasiness. With a perfect crop, France is practically independent of outsiders. A 10 per cent loss puts her into the market for about 40,000,000 bushels, and a 20 per cent loss would make France a customer for about 80,000,000 bushels of foreign wheat. It makes a wonderful difference to the American grower whether France takes 50,000,000 bushels of his winter wheat or goes along without it. The news seems to indicate that the American crop has gone through the winter in good condition, although it is the fact this season that private statisticians have been considerably under the Government in their estimates. Snow's made the December percentage only 90, while the agricultural Department made it 97. All the authorities make the winter wheat area the largest on record. There is uncertainty as to how the Hessian fly will develop in the spring. There was a good deal heard of him in the fall from the Ohio Valley. Wheat prices are 4c under a year ago. Present reserves in the United States are the remnant of a 547,000,000 bushel crop; last year the country had at this time the remnant of a 675,000,000 bushel crop. Farm reserves last March were 198,000,000 bushels; they will be 50,000,000 bushels less than that next month.

The outsider is more or less worried by the fact that of all the staples grain alone has not been in the general advance. Wool, cotton, petroleum, flaxseed, live stock and live stock product have all had notable advances. There is logic in expecting that grain will have its turn.

—CLOSING PRICES FEB. 15 TO FEB. 20.

—TO-DAY'S PRICES.

	15	16	17	19	20	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing
<b>Wheat—</b>									
Feb.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May.....	69 B	68 1/2 A	68 1/2 B	68 1/2 A	68 A	68-67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2	68 1/2 A
July.....	69 1/2 B	69- 1/2	69 1/2	69 B	69 1/2 B	69 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	69 1/2 B
<b>Corn—</b>									
Feb.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May.....	35 1/2 B	34 1/2 B	34 1/2	35 1/2 A	35 1/2 A	35 1/2	35 1/2	34 1/2	35 A
July.....	35 1/2 B	35 1/2 A	35 1/2	35 1/2 B	35 1/2 A	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2 B
<b>Oats—</b>									
Feb.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May.....	24 A	23 1/2 B	23 1/2	23 1/2 B	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2 A
July.....	23 A	22 1/2 A	22 1/2	22 1/2 B	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
<b>Pork—</b>									
Feb.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May.....	11 00	10 95-07	10 92	11 00	10 97 11	10 95	10 97	10 85	10 85
July.....	11 02	10 97-11	10 97	11 00	10 97 11	10 95	10 97	10 87	10 87
<b>Lard—</b>									
Maroh.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May.....	6 07 B	6 05-7	6 05	6 17	6 07	6 02-5	6 02-5	5 92	5 92
July.....	6 15-17	6 15	6 12-15	6 15-17	6 17 A	6 12	6 12	6 00	6 00
<b>Short ribs—</b>									
Feb.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May.....	6 02-5	6 02 A	6 00	6 02 B	6 05 A	6 00-2	6 02	5 92	5 92
July.....	6 05 B	6 02 B	6 00-2	6 02 B	6 05	6 00-2	6 02	5 92	5 92

## TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES.

STOCKS.	Shares. Par Value	CAPITAL.		Rest as per Last Statement.	Div. per cent. Last year	Buy- ers
		Paid up.				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>						
British America.....	50	\$ 750,000	\$ 79,381		3 1/2	122 1/2
Western Assurance.....	10	1,000,000	129,743		5	160
Canada Life.....	400	125,000	.....		10	535
Confederation Life Association.....	100	100,000	.....		7 1/2	277 1/2
Imperial Life Assurance Co.....	100	450,000	47,821		.....	147
Consumers' Gas.....	50	1,700,000	.....		2 1/2	215
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land Co.....	40	400,000	.....		.....	54
Victoria Rolling Stock Co.....	5000	60,000	60,000		10	.....
Toronto Electric Light Co., Old.....	100	1,400,000	.....		1 1/2	134 1/2
"    "    New.....	.....	250,000	.....		1 1/2	134
Canadian General Electric Co.....	100	900,000	40,000		4	105
"    "    "    20 p.c.....	100	300,000	.....		3	105
Hamilton Electric Light.....	100	250,000	60,000		1	80
<b>LOAN and SAVINGS CO.</b>						
British Canadian Ln & Invest. Co.....	100	398,481	120,000		3	.....
Building and Loan Association.....	25	750,000	100,000		1	38
Can. Landed & Nat'l. Inv't. Co.....	100	1,004,000	350,000		3	83
Canada Permanent Ln. & Sav. Co.....	50	2,000,000	1,200,000		3	124
"    "    20 per cent.....	50	600,000	.....		3	122
Canadian Savings & Loan Co.....	50	734,175	220,000		3	113
Central Canada Ln. & Sav's Co.....	100	875,000	360,000		1 1/2	134
"    "    20 per cent.....	100	325,000	.....		.....	.....
Dominion Savings and Invest. Soc.....	50	930,627	10,000		2 1/2	75 1/2
Freehold.....	100	478,100	300,000		3	70
"    "    20 per cent.....	100	843,000	.....		3	.....
Hamilton Provident & Inv't Soc.....	100	1,100,000	300,000		3	109 1/2
Huron & Erie Ln. & Savings Co.....	50	1,000,000	750,000		4 1/2	177
"    "    20 per cent.....	.....	400,000	.....		4 1/2	167
Imperial Loan & Inv't Co.....	100	725,155	160,000		3	81
Landed Banking & Inv't Co.....	100	700,000	100,000		3	101
London & Can. Bk. & Agency Co.....	50	700,000	210,000		1 1/2	51
London Loan Co.....	50	631,500	83,000		3	109
London & Ontario Investment.....	100	550,000	100,000		3	86
Manitoba & North-West Loan Co.....	100	375,000	50,000		.....	46
North of Scotland Can. Mortg. Co.....	£10	730,000	418,533		5	.....
Ontario Loan & Debenture Co.....	50	1,200,000	450,000		3 1/2	121
Peoples Loan & D. Co.....	50	599,429	40,000		.....	25
Real Estate Loan Co.....	40	373,720	50,000		2	62
Toronto Savings & Loan.....	100	660,000	165,000		3	126
Union Loan & Savings Co.....	50	699,020	200,000		1	38
Western Canada.....	50	1,000,000	770,000		3	.....
"    "    25 per cent.....	.....	500,000	.....		3	93

### MONTREAL STREET EARNINGS.

Month of Jan.....	\$136,086.33	Inc.	\$10,810.20
Feb. 18, 4,321.97.....	.....	Inc.	141.70
"    14, 4,624.24.....	.....	.....	653.52
"    15, 4,748.87.....	.....	.....	447.86
"    16, 4,638.54.....	.....	.....	488.58
"    17, 4,752.78.....	.....	.....	216.99
"    18, 3,679.77.....	.....	.....	313.44
"    19, 4,571.96.....	.....	.....	304.28
"    20, 4,570.35.....	.....	.....	345.11
"    21, 4,401.71.....	.....	.....	518.26

### TORONTO STREET EARNINGS.

Month of Jan.....	\$114,679.49	Inc.	\$15,657.92
Feb. 13, 3,942.99.....	.....	Inc.	324.63
"    14, 3,860.87.....	.....	.....	438.15
"    15, 4,017.78.....	.....	.....	437.57
"    16, 4,005.89.....	.....	.....	453.98
"    17, 4,495.21.....	.....	.....	542.33
"    18, 1,554.15.....	.....	.....	158.87
"    19, 3,709.10.....	.....	.....	234.18
"    20, 3,918.08.....	.....	.....	284.13

### TWIN CITY RAPID TRANSIT CO.

Total for Jan.....	\$217,252.45	Inc.	\$29,915.75
For week ending	.....	Compared with last year	.....
Feb. 7, \$49,845.10.....	.....	Inc.	\$ 7,353.80
"    14, 47,763.85.....	.....	.....	5,841.95

\* After deducting \$611,982 for reinsurance. † After deducting \$792,049 for reinsurance. This List is compiled from the fortnightly circular issued by the Secretary Toronto Stock Exchange.