

Eggs.—Dealers are selling at 15 to 17c as to quality, and paying 14c for round country lots.

CURED MEATS.—Quotations are: Hams, 13c for heavy, and 14c for assorted sizes; breakfast bacon, backs, 14c; bellies, 14½c; dry salt long clear bacon, 9c; smoked long clear, 10c; small smoked sides, 10½c; dry salt shoulder, 8½c; dry salt backs, 10½c; spruced rolls, 10c; mess pork, \$16, selected mess, \$18 to 18.50 per barrel. Sausage is quoted: Fresh pork sausage, 8c; bologna sausage, 7½c per pound; German sausage, 7½c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per half pound packet. Pickled hogs tongues, 5c lb. Pickled pigs feet, \$1.40 per pair; pickled hocks, 3c lb; smoked jowls, 6c.

LARD.—Lard is firmer. We quote: Pure, \$2.25 to \$2.35 for 20 pound pails, and \$5.50 for 50-lb pails; compound at \$1.75 per 20-lb pail; compound in 3. and 5 pound tins, \$6 per case of 60 lb. Pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$7.50 per case of 60 pounds.

BUTTER.—The market is rather weaker. While good qualities are about the same, there is a decidedly lower tendency for under grades, and poor stuff. In fact, it is very difficult to find a market for anything not suitable for fair table quality at the lowest. Manitoba butter has been offered in Toronto in a round lot at 11c. without takers. We quote round lots of country dairy, mixed quality, at 10 to 12c as to average quality. Selections, 15c, medium qualities 10 to 11c, culls 5c.

CHEESE.—Quiet. We quote 9 to 9½c for round lots as to quality. At the latest cheese markets in Ontario, sales were made at 9½c to 10c, factories being inclined to hold.

DRESSED MEATS.—The market is weak. As predicted last week, mutton is easier. About 6c may now be considered the top price for mutton and lamb, and it is reported that some was sold as low as 5c. The former price, however, is the general figure. Beef is easy, ranging from 4 to 5c as to quality, per pound, by the carcass. Pork holds at 6c. With cooler weather there is more country dressed stuff offering by farmers. Veal, 5 to 6c.

POULTRY.—Poultry has taken a turn lower, offerings being larger, the price of chickens being about 1c down. Prices are: 12c for turkey dressed, per pound. Ducks, dressed, 10c lb; geese, 10c. Chickens, 8 to 10c per pound, dressed; old fowl, 7 to 8c lb dressed. Wild ducks, 20 to 25c per pair as to quality and size. Wild geese, \$1 per pair.

VEGETABLES.—Potatoes continue to have a firm tone and a higher notch has been reached, some farmers' loads selling up to 45c per bushel this week. Prices are: Potatoes, 40 to 45c per bushel. Onions, 2 to 2½c, per lb; cabbage, 40 to 75c per dozen; cauliflower, 40 to 60c, per dozen; celery, 20 to 25c, per dozen; citrons, 40 to 60c per dozen; vegetable marrow, 50c per dozen. Carrots, 40c per bushel, beets, 30 to 40c per bushel; turnips; 15 to 20c per bushel; parsnips, 2c per lb.

WOOL.—Quiet at 8 to 9c. for unwashed Manitoba fleece.

HIDES.—McMillan & Co., of Minneapolis and Winnipeg say in their last circular: "The market is dull for all classes of green salted hides and calfskins, and quiet for dry hides and skins. We have been compelled to reduce our prices for salted calfskins but we have not lowered our quotations for salted hides, but should there be a further decline, as seems likely with the large receipts, prices will rule somewhat lower." In this market there is still a difference of views as to the value of heavy steer hides, quotations varying ½c. We quote, Winnipeg inspection 2½c for No. 1 cows, 1½c for No. 2,

and 1c for No. 3, and 9 to 8½c for No. 1 heavy steers, and 2 to 2½c for No. 2 Steers; branded hides grade No. 2, when not otherwise damaged to reduce them to No. 3. We quote; Calf, 8 to 13 lb skins, 4 to 5c per lb. Kips about the same as hides. Sheep and lamb skins, 35c. Tallow, 4½c rendered and 2 to 3c rough.

HAY.—Loose hay on the street market is selling about \$5 per ton, with heavy offerings. Baled hay slow and very little wanted for city trade, and quoted at \$4.50 to 5.50 as to quality, etc.

SENECA ROOT.—The market is still quite as flat as was reported last week. Dealers are taking a few small lots which are brought in to their warehouses by private parties, at about 20c per pound, but there is hardly anything offering in this way now. A number of lots ranging in quantity from about 1,000 pounds upward to 8,000 or 10,000 pounds, are known to be held in the country, but there are no buyers for such lots now, at least at a price that would be accepted. In fact shippers are practically out of the market at the moment. These lots held in the country have cost the owners considerably higher than the present market value of the root. Country buyers have paid too high for much of the root bought this season, from 25 to 28c having been paid for much that is now held. Country buyers should follow the market and try to pay a figure that would leave them some margin. It is also probably a mistake to hold so long. If country buyers would follow the market in buying, and also ship frequently, they would at least be on the safe side, and would probably make more money, one year with another. Occasionally it may pay to hold, but it is certainly not the safest plan, and it is doubtful if it will prove the best paying plan, one year with another. There is always a heavy loss in weight in holding, due to the natural shrinkage, besides interest, insurance, risk of loss from accident, etc. The area from which the root is now gathered has extended very largely of late, which should cause buyers to exercise care in the future.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE.—The low price of dressed beef, owing to the cutting by the smaller wholesale butchers, has a depressing effect upon the local cattle market. Butchers are trying to buy as low as possible, to give them a little margin on beef. Common stock have been picked up at about 2c and under, but no fair beef cattle can be had at that price. Good butchers' stock are worth 2½c and choice 2½c.

SHEEP.—The market for sheep and lambs is very flat and weak. A sale of sheep was reported at \$2.40 per 100 pounds, 5 per cent off, which would be equal to about \$2.28 net. Plenty of sheep are offering to ship, but it would mean a sacrifice to ship here previous to sale.

HOGS.—Hogs have at last weakened. Some lots were taken this week at 4½c off cars here for desirable packers, but there were probably for hogs contracted for earlier. The present idea is 4½ to 4c lower than last weeks prices.

LIVE STOCK NOTES.

At Toronto on Tuesday the only export cattle offered were 91 head of Northwestern and these sold at about \$3.40 per cwt. Butchers' cattle quoted at 3½c and 3½c for choice butchers, 2½c to 2½c for inferior to medium. Best stockers sold at 3 to 3½c, and bulls and feeders 2c upward. Hogs were firmer, best packers bringing \$1.30 to 1.35, off cars; heavy fats, \$1.25, stores and sows, \$1, and stags, \$2 to 2.50 per cwt. Export sheep sold at 3½c off cars, rams 2½ to 3c, butchers' sheep \$2.25 to 2.75 per head. Lambs, \$2.40 to 2.50 each.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

On Monday corn and wheat were fairly strong, the former leading the tone of the market. There were considerable fluctuations, and closing prices for wheat were about the same as Saturday to a shade lower. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	May.	Jan.
Wheat	51½	52½	56½-57	
Corn	51½	50½	50½	
Oats	27½	28½	32½-¼	
Mess Pork ..	11 95			11 75
Lard	6 90			6 77½
Ribs	6 35			5 92½

There was quite a strong market on Tuesday due to advances in domestic markets for cash wheat, milling and feeding demand. December wheat ranged between 52 and 52½c and closed about ½c higher than Monday. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.	May.	Jan.
Wheat	51½-¾	52½-¾	57½	
Corn	51½	51½	51½-¼	
Oats	28½	29¼	32½-¾	
Mess Pork ..	12 05			11 80
Lard	6 87½			5 95
Short Rib ..				

On Wednesday wheat was irregular, fluctuating frequently and closing weak at near the bottom prices of the day. December option ranged from 52½ to 52½c. The strength of yesterday appeared to have vanished. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	May.	Jan.
Wheat	51½		52½	57½-¾	
Corn	51½		50½	50½-¾	
Oats	28½		28½	32½	
Mess Pork ..	11 82½				
Lard	6 85			7 00	6 85
Short Rib ..	6 15				5 97½

The wheat market showed considerable strength on Thursday, under lighter receipts. The death of the Czar also caused a spurt in the market. December wheat opened at 52½c, advanced ½c, declined but recovered again and closed ½c higher than Wednesday. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	May.	Jan.
Wheat	52	53	57½	
Corn	52½	51½	51½-¾	
Oats	28½	29¼	32½	
Mess Pork ..				11 85
Lard				7 00
Short Rib ..				6 00
				6 12½

On Friday wheat was very dull until a few minutes before the close, when considerable buying started, and prices advanced and closed at about the top for the day. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat,	52½	53½-¾		58½-¾
Corn	53	51½		51½
Oats	28½	29¼-½		32½-¾
Mess Pork ..				11 77½
Lard				6 85½
Short Rib ..				5 79½
				6 12½

On Saturday, November 3, wheat closed at 52½c for November, 53½c for December and 58½c for May. A week ago October wheat closed at 51½-¼c, December at 52½-¼c and May at 56½-57c.

Minneapolis Wheat.

No. 1 Northern wheat closed on Saturday at 56½c for November. December delivery closed at 55½c, and May at 58½c. A week ago October wheat closed at 54½c, December at 54½c, and May at 57c.

New York Wheat.

On Saturday, November 3, wheat closed at 56½c for December. May closed at 61½c. A week ago December wheat closed at 55½c, and May at 60½c.