$3.75 to $4.; sheet iron, $3.75 to $5.50, according to grade; iron pipe, 40 to 45 per cent off list prices; ingot tin, 30 to 35c per lb., according to quality; bar iron, $3.00 to $3.50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6¼ to 6¾; per lb.; tarred felt, $2.60 to $2.75 per 100 lbs. barbed wire, 6¼ to 7c

HIDES AND TALLOW.

Prices unchanged as follows: Winnipeg inspected, No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3c; No. 3, 2c. Frozen hides, 3c all round. Calfskins are quoted at 4 to 5c, but few are offering, and most are classed at kip, which are worth 2c. Sheepskins 25 to 50c as to quality. Tallow, 2½c for rough, and 5½c for rendered.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Quotations are as follows: Spanish sole, 26 to 30c; slaughter sole, 26 to 30c; French calf, first choice, $1.25 to $1.50; Canadian calf, 75c to $1.00; French kip, $1 to $1.10; B Z kip, 85 to 90c; Bourdon kip, 76c; slaughter kip, 55 to 65c; No. 1, wax upper, 45 to 50c; grain upper, 50c; harness leather, 27 to 31c for plump stock. American oak butts, 50 to 55c; buffe, 17 to 22c a foot; cordovan, 17 to 21c; pebble, 21 to 23c; colored linings, 12c.

LUMBER.

Business is of course very dull in this line, and will likely remain so for some time, though present indications would point to an early spring, and consequently an early movement of lumber. Trade prospects for the spring and summer are very good, both as regards prices and the demand, but the lack of snow is causing serious apprehension as regards the getting out of logs. Parties who have contracts for taking out logs, ties, wood, etc, have been placed in an awkward position, owing to the mild weather and want of snow. The floating of logs in the spring also depends a good deal upon the snowfall of the winter, and unless there is a change soon, there will be a great deal of trouble about getting out logs to the front, and the outlook for floating them in the spring will not be good. No changes in prices have been made recently, and none are expected for some time. Following are list prices: Dimension—2x4 to 12x12, 12 to 16 ft long, $15; do 10, 18, and 20 ft long, $16. Fifty cents per M advance on each foot over the above length up to 24 feet long. One dollar per M advance on each foot o[illegible] 24 feet long. $1 per M advance on each inch over 12 inches surface. Surfacing, 50c per M; Surfacing and sizing, $1.00 per M. Boards—1st, common, rough, $16.50, dressed, $17.50; 2nd common rough $15, dressed, $16; Culls, rough, $11; dressed, $12; 1st common, stock, 12 in, rough, $19, dressed, $20; do, 8x10 in, rough, $18, dressed, $19; 2nd common, 12 in, rough, $17; dressed, $18; do, 8x10 inch, rough, $16, dressed, $17. Ten feet long and under, $1 less per M. Shiplap—10 inch, $17.50; 8 inch, $17. 8 and 10 inch flooring and siding at $1 per M advance. Siding, ceiling and flooring—1st, 6 inch, $29; 2nd, do, $25; 3rd, do, $21; 4th, do, $18; 1st, 5 inch, $29; 2nd, do, $25; 3rd do, $20; 4th do, $17; 1st, 4 inch, $29; 2nd do, $25; 3rd do, $19; 4th do, $16. $1 per M advance for dressing on both sides. $1 per M less for lengths 10 feet and under. Bevel Siding—No. 1, 1st siding ½ in x 6 in, $20; No. 2, do, $17. Stock—B, $35; C, $30; D, $25. Clear, 1 inch—1st and 2nd, $32; 3rd, $23. 1¼, 1½, and 2 inch—1st and 2nd, $40; 3rd, $35; selects, $30; shop, $25. Mouldings—Window Stops, per 100 feet lineal, 75 cts; Parting Strips, do, 50 cts; ¼ round and cove, per 100 feet lineal, 60 cts. Casing—4 inch, O. G., per 100 feet lineal, $1.50; 5 in, do, $1.75; 6 in, do, $2; 8 inch, O. G., base, $3; 10 in, do, $3.75. Lath, $1.75. Shingles—1st quality, $3; 2nd do, $2.50; 3rd do, $1.50; 4th do. $1. Dealers are requested to order by number. No delivered prices.

THE MARKETS.

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WHEAT.

Wheat contin[illegible] more or less under holiday influences last week. Cash wheat held at over the $1 mark on Monday, but on Wednesday it got under that figure, May breaking nearly 3c. The loss was regained on Thursday, but on Friday cash was again under $1. Leading markets have been marked by nervousness and uncertainity throughout the week. The visible supply increased 285,000 bushels for the week ended Dec. 29, making the total 38,321,144 bushe's, against 44,421,998 bushels a year ago. Exports from Atlantic ports for the week ended Dec. 29 were 120,700 barrels of flour and 81,500 bushels of wheat, against 224,500 barrels of flour and 409,500 bushels of wheat for the same week last year. The highest figure reached at Chicago for January wheat, during last month was $1.07½, on Dec. 13. The lowest figure for the month was 99½c, on Dec 27. On Dec. 29, there were on passage to Great Britain 18,400,000 bushels of wheat and flour equivalent to wheat, against 19,280,000 bushels the same week a year ago. On Jan. 1 stocks of wheat in London were 1,280,000 bushels greater than a year ago, and stocks of flour 170,000 sacks larger. Minneapolis had 7,936,204 bushels of wheat in elevators on Jan. 1, or about 200,000 less than a year ago. Duluth had only 977,443 bushels, against 7,578,527 bushels a year ago. Estimates of the stocks of wheat in the United Kingdom are placed at 21,000,000 bushels, France 13,000,000 bushels, Belgium at 7,500,000 flushels, Germany 4,000,000 bushels, Pesth 11,300,000 bushels, other Austrian points 5,000,000 bushels, Odessa 14,000,000 bushels, other South Russian points 6,000,000 bushels, on passage 23,000,000 bushe's, total 107,800,000 bushels.

The local situation has remained quiet as regards deliveries. Estimates as to the amount of wheat in Manitoba yet to be marketed range from 1,000,000 to 2,500,000 bushels. Receipts of Manitoba wheat at Port Arthur and Fort William elevators for the week ended Dec. 29, amounted to 56,070 bushels, as compared with 104,580 for the same week last year. The total receipts of this season's crop to date amount to 1,736,860, against 3,179,540 for the same period last year. In store now 605,633 bushels. Prices paid to farmers at country points ranged higher, the average being about 85c for No. 1 hard, and the extreme range from 80 to 90c. The high prices were paid usually by parties who had orders to fill for high grade wheat, and who were obliged to bid lively to get the stuff, owing to the light receipts.

FLOUR.

The flour market continues very dull in the east, and shipments from Manitoba mills are consequently not going forward freely. There is the usual local demand with prices to the local trade unchanged as follows:—Patents, $2.80; strong bakers, $2.60; XXXX, $2.00; superfine, $1.50; Graham flour, $2.60; middlings; $2.80.

MILLSTUFFS

Prices to the trade are unchanged at $11 per ton for bran and $13 for shorts; ground feed, $22 per ton.

BARLEY.

From 23 to 25c is usually paid to farmers at outside points, for feed qualities. Malting barley brings from 30 to 35c in the same way. A few cars continue to move eastward.

OATS.

The feeling continues dull and easy. Owing to the plentiful supply of oats in the east this year, the demand for Manitoba oats is light. About 20c is all that can be paid to farmers in provincial markets, to allow any margin for shipment to Eastern Canada points. In the city 27c was paid at the mills for good milling oats, and from 24 to 26c on the market for ordinary feed samples.

OATMEAL.

No change reported, prices are: Standard. $2.50; granulated, $2.65; rolled, $3.

CHEESE.

Quiet and unchanged at 10½ to 11c.

BUTTER.

The feeling continues very dull and easy. Receipts are fairly large, and there is scarcely any demand from any quarter. No demand for large shipping lots from outside is looked for now for some time in the future, and with the prospects of an early spring, it will not likely be a great while before fresh early spring butter will commence to arrive. This makes the feeling rather easier. Prices range from 18 to 20c for from good to choice, most sales being made at about these figures, though some selected packages bring 21c. Some lots are still held as high as 22c, but not with much prospect of sale at this figure.

EGGS.

Strictly fresh, imported from the south, bring 30c, and limed 25c per dozen, in case lots.

LARD.

Prices are easier. Chicago is quoted as low as $2.40 in some instances, and city rendered at $2.50 per 20 lb. pails.

DRESSED MEATS.

As predicted a few weeks ago, the decline in the price of dressed hogs has set in. Some sales were made at the old figure of 8c per pound, but it now seems to be understood among packers that 7½c is all that can be paid. Butchers, who have heretofore kept prices up, would not pay over 7¼c at the close of last week. Indeed this is all that can be expected for dressed hogs here, as they can be imported from Ontario and laid down here at about 7½c in car lots. Quotations in Ontario range from $6 to $6.75 per hundred, and the freight rate from there to Winnipeg is 80c per hundred. Long clear bacon in Chicago can be purchased in car lots at about ½c per pound lower than dressed hogs have been bringing in this market, hence it will be seen that 7½c here for hogs is the very top value. Country frozen beef is offered fairly freely, but owing to mild weather the supply is probably not as large as it otherwise would be. Good sides or carcasses bring about 5½c; choice sides and city dressed, 6c. Mutton steady at 10c by the carcass, and 9c in large lots.

CURED MEATS.

Prices appear to be easier generally. The following are close quotations, and will apply to either Chicago or city cured. Dry salt