

New York Wheat

New York, March 27.—Wheat—Receipts, 49,600 bushels; exports, 163,036 bushels. Options opened strong on crop scares and were upheld by covering and southwestern investment buying most of the session. Foreign houses sold early, but the wheat was easily absorbed. Local sentiment was bullish all day, traders taking more stock in crop damage news than heretofore. The close was strong and nervous at 1 1-2c over Saturday's one o'clock curb prices.

New York, March 28.—Wheat—Receipts, 41,600 bushels; exports, 31,973 bushels. Options opened weak, and were influenced all day by local liquidation heavy outside selling, partly for St. Louis account, bearish cables news and foreign selling. Furthermore some crop news was less bullish, owing to snows over the wheat belt. There were a few rallies, and the market closed weak at 1 1-4 to 1 3-8c net decline.

New York, March 29.—Wheat, May opened 76c, closed 77 7-8c.

New York, March 30.—Wheat, May opened 78 3-8c, closed 77 1-2c.

New York, March 31.—Holiday.

New York, April 1.—Wheat closed to-day as follows. May, 78 1-8c; July, 77 7-8c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

Prices are quoted per bushel of 60 pounds for wheat, bushel of 56 pounds of corn, bushel of 32 pounds of oats, per barrel of mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, March 27.—Wheat, May opened 71 1-4 to 3-8c, closed 72 1-4c b. July opened 70 3-8 to 5-8c, closed 71 3-8c a. Corn, May opened 36 1-8 to 3-8c, closed 36 1-8c b. July opened 36 5-8c, Sept. 37 1-4 to 3-4c, closed 37 1-4c. Oats, May opened 26 3-4 to 7-8c, closed 26 7-8c. July opened 25c, closed 25 1-8 to 1-4c. Pork, May opened \$9.27, closed \$9.27 1-2. July opened \$9.40, closed \$9.42 1-2.

Chicago, March 28.—Wheat, May opened 71 5-8 to 1-2c, closed 70 7-8c b. July opened 70 5-8 to 7-8c, closed 70 1-8c. Corn, May opened 35 7-8c, closed 35 1-2c b. July opened 36 1-2 to 3-8c, closed 36 to 1-8c a. Sept. opened 37c, closed 36 1-2c b. Oats, May opened 26 7-8c, closed 26 1-2 to 5-8c. July opened 25 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 24 7-8c. Pork, May opened \$9.22 1-2, closed \$9.12 1-2. July opened \$9.40, closed \$9.27 1-2.

Chicago, March 29.—Wheat, May opened 71 1-2 to 3-8c, closed 73 1-4c. July opened 70 1-2c, closed 73 1-8c. Corn, May opened 36 1-8c, closed 36 3-8c a. July opened 36 3-4c, closed 36 7-8 to 37c. Sept. opened 37 1-4c, closed 37 3-8c b. Oats, May opened 26 5-8 to 3-4c, closed 26 7-8c. July opened 25 1-4c, closed 25 1-2c. Pork, May opened \$9.12 1-2, closed \$9.22 1-2 b. July opened \$9.27 1-2, closed \$9.35 b.

Chicago, March 30.—Wheat, May opened 73 to 1-4c, closed 73 1-8c. July opened 73 1-2 to 7 7-8c, closed 73c b. Corn, May opened 36 1-4 to 1-8c, closed 36c. July opened 36 7-8 to 3-4c, closed 36 6-8c. Sept. opened 37 3-8 to 1-4c, closed 37 1-8c. Oats, May opened 26 7-8c, closed 26 3-4c. July opened 25 3-4c, closed 25 3-4c. Pork, May opened \$9.17 1-2c, closed \$9.15. July opened \$9.30, closed \$9.27. Lard, May opened \$5.32 1-2c, closed \$5.30. July opened \$5.47 1-2, closed \$5.42 1-2c. Ribs, May opened \$4.77, closed \$4.75. July opened \$4.92 1-2c, closed \$4.87 1-2c.

Chicago, March 31.—Holiday. No market.

Chicago, April 1.—Wheat opened at 73 1-2c for May, and ranged from

72 5-8 to 74 1-4c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—May, 72 3-4c; July, 72 3-4c. Corn—May, 35c; July, 35 3-4c. Oats—May, 26 5-8c; July, 25 1-2c. Pork—May, \$9.15; July, \$9.27 1-2. Lard—May, \$5.27 1-2; July, \$5.42 1-2.

Ribs—\$4.75; July, \$4.87 1-2. A week ago May option closed at 70 5-8c, a year ago May wheat closed at \$1.05, two years ago at 70 3-8c, three years ago at 64 3-4c; four years ago at 55 1-4c, and five years ago at 64 3-4c.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—May, 71 5-8c; July 72 5-8c. Tuesday—May, 70 3-8c; July, 71 1-8c. Wednesday—May, 72 3-8c; July, 73 1-8c. Thursday—May, 72 1-4. July, 73 1-8c. Friday—Holiday. Saturday—May, 71 3-4. July, 72 3-4c. Cash, No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 73 1-4c, and cash No. 1 northern at 70 1-4c.

A week ago May wheat closed at 70 1-8c. A year ago May wheat closed at 95 3-4c, two years ago May option closed at 71c; three years ago at 62 7-8c; four years ago at 60 7-8c; and five years ago at 63c.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago, April 1.—Flax seed closed to-day at \$1.23 3-4 for cash and May \$1.22 1-2.

RUBBERS ADVANCED.

A new list on rubber footwear goes into effect to-day. Discounts have been reduced and advances made equal to 10 to 15 per cent on some lines, at the factories. Information to hand is very meagre, but particulars are expected in a few days.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT.

Liverpool, March 31.—Market closed till Tuesday.

WESTERN BUSINESS ITEMS.

W. Bolton, of Temple & Bolton, hardware dealers, Napinka, was in Winnipeg this week, making arrangements for a new stock of goods to replace that lost by the recent fire in that town.

F. S. Moule, general merchant, is reported to be giving up his branch business at Dunrea, Man.

Geo. S. Farrer, furniture and stationery, Dauphin, Man., assigned to W. Blackadar.

J. J. Manley, harness and boots and shoes, Dauphin, Man., has assigned.

R. Williams, harness maker, late of Woodstock, Ont., is opening at Roland, Man.

The Kamloops Hotel, Ltd., Kamloops, B. C., has been incorporated.

BOYCE'S CARRIAGE WORKS

316 James St., Winnipeg

—Are selling—

Top Buggies - - \$67.50 Cash

Delivery Wagons, \$40 to \$75 Cash

See them before buying.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

Wheat was quoted to-day at 71 to 74 1-2c for No. 1 hard spot, Fort William. With the decline at Chicago 71c would be about the top at the close here.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Saturday, April 1.—No. 1 northern wheat closed to-day at 70 1-2 for May, and 71 7-8c for July, cash, No. 1 northern, 70 3-8c, cash, No. 2, northern, 65 7-8c.

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

The following prices cover the range as to size and color for prime skins. Very small and pale skins bring the lowest price, and very large the top range. Skins taken out of season range much lower:

Budger .. .. .	.. \$	.25	\$	.50
Bear, black .. .. .	..	5.00	..	25.00
Bear, brown .. .. .	..	4.50	..	20.00
Bear, black yearlings ..	..	5.00	..	7.00
Bear, brown yearlings ..	..	3.00	..	4.50
Bear, grizzly .. .. .	..	4.50	..	20.00
Beaver, large .. .. .	..	5.00	..	7.00
Beaver, medium .. .. .	..	3.00	..	5.00
Beaver, small .. .. .	..	1.50	..	2.50
Beaver, cubs .. .. .	..	.50	..	1.00
Beaver, castors, lb. .. .	..	2.50	..	5.50
Fisher, dark .. .. .	..	6.00	..	8.00
Fisher, pale .. .. .	..	3.00	..	5.00
Fox, cross dark, large ..	..	5.00	..	10.00
Fox, cross pale .. .. .	..	2.50	..	5.00
Fox, kitt .. .. .	..	.25	..	.75
Fox, rod .. .. .	..	1.00	..	2.00
Fox, silver dark .. .. .	..	50.00	..	75.00
Fox, pale .. .. .	..	25.00	..	60.00
Lynx, large .. .. .	..	1.50	..	2.50
Lynx, medium .. .. .	..	1.00	..	1.75
Lynx, small .. .. .	..	.50	..	1.00
Marten, dark .. .. .	..	3.00	..	6.00
Marten, pale or brown ..	..	2.50	..	5.00
Marten, light pale .. .. .	..	1.00	..	3.25
Mink, dark .. .. .	..	.75	..	2.25
Mink, pale .. .. .	..	.75	..	1.50
Musquash, winter .. .. .	..	.04	..	.11
Otter, dark .. .. .	..	0.00	..	10.00
Otter, pale .. .. .	..	5.00	..	8.00
Skunk .. .. .	..	.25	..	.30
Wolf, timber .. .. .	..	2.00	..	3.00
Wolf, prairie .. .. .	..	.40	..	1.00
Wolverine, dark .. .. .	..	3.00	..	4.00
Wolverine, pale .. .. .	..	1.25	..	2.00

SEED GRAIN SECURITIES.

The bill of Dr Douglas in regard to joint securities for seed grain indebtedness in Manitoba and Northwest Territories, which was introduced to-day, provides that as the sum of \$153,602 is due the government for seed grain in the Northwest by 5,351 farmers, while this number stands as securities as principals for this liability, 4,643 are liable as bondsmen for the others, and 3,439 of these stand in the double relation of principal debtors and bondsmen for the others, therefore it is asked to be enacted that the homestead or quarter section of land in possession of the principal debtor for seed grain shall be regarded as sufficient security for such indebtedness in each individual case.

Another clause provides that the 4,643 farmers who stand in the relationship of bondsmen, shall after July 1st, 1899, be declared null and void as bondsmen. Many who stand in double relationship and are ready and willing to pay their personal liability, feel it a hardship to have the indebtedness of their neighbor registered against their personal homestead, knowing that the party for whom they stand surety is able but not willing to pay his liability. The individual sums due the government by these 5,354 farmers may not exceed the sum of \$50; a double security against the patents of two farms is excessive and unnecessary to secure the government against loss for such sums advanced.