

## 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 for mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Dec. 98 1-2; Jan. 94 1-2; May 94.

Corn—Dec. 27; Jan. 27 1-2; May 30 1-2.

Oats—Dec. 22 7-8; May 23 3-1.

Mess pork — Dec. \$7.70; Jan. \$8.72 1-2; May \$8.92 1-2.

Lard—Dec. \$4.45; Jan. \$4.55; May \$4.72 1-2.

Short ribs—Dec. and Jan. \$4.40; May \$4.55.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, Dec. 99 1-2c; Jan. 94 3-4c; May 94 1-4c.

Corn, Dec. 27 3-8c; Jan. 27 3-8c; May 30 1-2c; July 31 1-8c.

Oats, Dec. 22c; May, 24c.

Mess pork, Dec. \$7.70; Jan. \$8.50; May \$8.87 1-2.

Lard, Dec. \$4.42 1-2; Jan. \$4.53; May \$4.70.

Short ribs, Dec. \$4.35; Jan. \$4.37 1-2; May \$4.52 1-2.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, Dec. 96 1-2c; Jan. 92c; May 92 3-4c.

Corn, Dec. 27 1-4c; Jan. 27 1-4c; May 29 2-4c; July 30 3-4c to 7-8c.

Oats, Dec. 23c; May, 23 7-8c to 24c.

Pork—Jan. \$8.80; May, \$9.02 1-2.

Lard, Jan. \$4.62 1-2; May, \$4.77 1-2.

Ribs, Jan. \$4.40; May, \$4.55.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, Dec. 94 1-4; Jan. 92 1-4c; May 92 1-8c to 1-4c.

Corn, No. 2, Dec. 27c; Jan. 27 1-8c; May 29 5-8c; July 30 3-4c.

Oats, Dec. 22 1-2c; May, 22 5-8c.

Mess pork, Jan. \$8.77 1-2; May, \$8.97 1-2.

Lard, Jan. \$4.62 1-2; May, \$4.77 1-2.

Short ribs, Jan. \$4.40; May, \$4.55.

On Friday, Dec. 31, May wheat opened at 92 3-4c and ranged from 92 1-4 to 93 1-4c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—Dec. 95c, May 92 5-8c, July 84c.

Corn—Dec. 26 3-4c, May 29 5-8c.

Oats—Dec. 22 3-5c, May 23 5-8c.

Pork—Dec. \$7.97 1-2, Jan. \$8.97 1-2.

Lard—Jan. \$4.72 1-2c.

Ribs—Jan. \$4.52 1-2.

Flax seed—Cash \$1.22; May \$1.21 3-4.

A week ago May wheat closed at 94 1-4c.

A year ago May wheat closed at 83 1-4c; two years ago at 60c, and three years ago at 57 5-8c.

## New York Wheat.

New York, Dec. 27.—Wheat — Receipts 239,575 bushels; exports 99,890 bushels; sales 85,000 bushels futures; spot easy; No. 2 red \$1.02 1-8 f.o.b. afloat No. 1 Northern Duluth \$1.04 5-8 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba \$1.01 5-8 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern New York \$1.03 3-8 f.o.b. afloat. Options opened firm on European war rumors, but turned weak under general local unloading, and after a dull unsatisfactory session closed 1-8 to 3-8c net lower. No. 2 red Jan. opened 99 1-2 to \$1, closed 99 1-2; Feb. opened 99 3-4 to \$1.00 3-8, closed 99 7-8; May opened 94 7-9 to 95 1-3, closed 95 1-9; July closed 88 3-4; Dec. opened \$1.01 to \$1.01 9-16, closed \$1.01 1-4.

New York, Dec. 28.—Wheat receipts, 149,879 bushels; exports, 223,752 bush.; sales, 1,455,000 futures; 10,000 spot. Spot firm. No. 2 red, \$1.02 1-4 f.o.b. afloat;

No. 1 Northern, Duluth, \$1.04 3-4 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, \$1.04 3-4 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern, New York, \$1.03 1-2 f.o.b. afloat. Options opened firm on cables, broke sharply under liquidation, bearish Argentine news and disappointing late foreign markets, but finally rallied on active covering and strengthened coarse grain markets, closing 1-8 to 1-2 net higher. No. 2 red, Jan. 99 1-4c to 5-8c, closed 99 5-8c; Feb. 99 1-2c to \$1, closed \$1; May, 94 5-8c to 95 3-8c, closed 95 1-4c; July, 88 1-4c to 3-4c, closed 88 3-4c; Dec., \$1.01 1-4 to \$1.01 7-8c, closed \$1.01 3-4.

New York, Dec. 29.—Wheat receipts, 214,000 bushels; exports, 208,481 bus.; sales, 1,650,000 bushels futures; 56,000 bushels spot. Spot weak; No. 2 red, \$1.00 7-8 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern, Duluth, \$1.03 3-8 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, \$1.03 3-8 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern, New York, \$1.02 1-8. Options opened easy under disappointing cables, rallied on covering, fair clearances and strength of coarse grain, but collapsed near the close under heavy liquidations at Chicago, closing 2-4c to 13-8c lower. No. 2 red, Jan. 98 1-2c to 99 3-4c, closed 98 1-2c; Feb. 98 3-4c to 99 3-4c, closed 98 3-4c; March, 99c to \$1, closed 99c; May, 93 11-16c to 95 3-16c, closed 93 7-8c; July, 87 1-2c to 88 3-8c, closed 87 5-8c; Dec., \$1.01 to \$1.01 3-4c, closed \$1.01.

New York, Dec. 30.—Wheat receipts, 135,050 bushels; exports, 91,751 bus.; sales, 2,215,000 bushels futures; 80,000 spot. Spot weak; No. 2 red, \$1.00 1-2 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, \$1.03 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern, \$1.01 3-4. Options opened easy, declined under the liquidation, large Northwest receipts and poor support, rallied later on heavy clearances, but broke a second time under renewed liquidation and closed 1-4 to 1 cent lower: No. 2 red, Jan. 98 1-4c to 98 5-8c; closed, 98 1-4c; Feb. closed 98 1-4c, March, 97 7-8c to 98 1-8c, closed 98; May, 93c to 93 15-16c, closed 93 1-2; July, 87 1-8c to 87 5-8c, closed 87 3-8c; Dec., \$1 to \$1.01, closed \$1.

On Friday, December 31, wheat closed at \$1 for December, and 94 1-4c for May option. A week ago May wheat closed at 95 3-8c.

## DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—Dec. 93 1-4c, May 92 3-8c.

Tuesday—Dec. 93 1-4c, May 92 1-2c.

Wednesday—Dec. 92c, May 91 1-8c.

Thursday—Dec. 90c, May 90 1-2c.

Friday—Dec. 90 1-2c, May 91 1-8c.

Saturday—Holiday.

Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 90c, and cash No. 1 Northern at 83 1-2c.

Last week May option closed at 92 1-2c.

A year ago May option closed at 87c and two years ago at 58c, three years ago May option closed at 62c and four years ago at 63 7-8c.

## FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Mullins & Wilson wire The Commercial the following reports of prices realized at the semi-weekly live stock market at Toronto, on Friday, December 31.

Toronto, Dec. 31. Fourteen carloads were offered today, including 945 hogs and 133 sheep and lambs.

Cattle—Export cattle brought 33-4 to 4 1-4c. Butchers cattle, 23-4 to 3 1-2c. Fat bulls, 3 to 3 1-2c; stockers, 2 3-4 to 3 1-4c; feeders, 3 to 3 1-2c, stock bulls, 2 to 2 1-2c.

Sheep—Export sheep, 3 to 3 1-2c per lb.; bucks, 2 1-2c; lambs, 4 1-2 to 4 7-8c.

Hogs — Hogs, best bacon, 4 7-8c lb; thick fat, 4 1-4c, and light fat, 4 1-4c per lb., weighed off cars.

## MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

On Friday, December 31, No. 1 Northern wheat closed at 89c for December and 89 3-4c for May option. A week ago May wheat closed at 91c.

## MOVEMENTS OF MEN OF BUSINESS.

J. Roberts, manager of the Blue Ribbon Manufacturing Co., Winnipeg, left last week on a trip to the coast.

D. Ross, the Whittemouth lumberman, was in the city last week.

Mr. Persé and family, of Tees & Péro, Winnipeg, returned from the south this week.

W. S. Crowe, of H. A. Nelson & Sons Co., Toronto and Montreal, has arrived in Winnipeg on a western trip.

S. R. Parsons, of Toronto, formerly of Parson, Bell & Co., Winnipeg, is renewing old acquaintances here.

Oats advanced 1-4c at Montreal on Dec. 27, with sales at 27 to 27 1-4c.

Crawford & Co., general store, have sold out to W. M. Crawford.

Victoria, Dec. 30.—Hon. Edgar Dewdney, of the Klondike Mining, Trading and Transportation corporation, goes to Wrangell by the City of Topeka tomorrow morning to secure terminal facilities for his company for winter transportation on the Stikine-Teslin route.

York, Eng., Dec. 30.—A largely attended meeting of the members of the Employers' Federation today unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the action of its representatives at the recent conference with the delegates of the striking engineers, reiterating the opinion that it is impossible to shorten the hours of labor, maintaining that the proposed arrangements of the works in no way interfere with proper functions of trades unionism and acknowledging the receipt of the engineers' vote. The employers' committee will write to the engineers' committee that "The truce is therefore ended."

Mr. R. E. Gosnell, librarian and secretary of the bureau of statistics of British Columbia, Victoria, B. C., has just issued what is perhaps the most complete work of the kind ever published in Canada. It is "The British Columbia and the Canadian Yukon Year Book for 1897." The work is up to date in every respect, contains over 500 pages, including eighty pages of representative illustrations, a series of especially engraved maps, eight lithographic diagrams illustrating the progress of British Columbia. There is also a special chapter on the Klondike and the Canadian Yukon, with latest and best maps yet issued, showing the several routes, including the Edmonton. The edition is limited to 5000 copies, about one-half of which have been sold in advance by Mr. Gosnell.

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