

## FLOUR.

The local demand during the week has not been so heavy as during December, but mills are not accumulating any stock, although they have been running full. The lull in the local trade is considered only temporary, and a brisker feeling is expected to be felt during the current week. There has been considerable of an increase to the shipments to the east, notwithstanding the extra freight charges which commenced with 1882. Over twenty cars have been shipped, and the number will no doubt be greatly increased during the current week.

## HMAN.

There has been no change in the price of this product during the week, and a fair demand has existed. Quotations still remain \$12 a ton on track, and \$13 delivered.

## SHORTS.

A reasonably good local demand has existed during the week, but there is none from a distance, and sales are accordingly a little slow. Quotations still held at \$14 a ton on track, and \$15 delivered.

## CHOPPED FEED.

The demand for this has been light during the week, but the price remains unchanged. \$30 a ton being the steady quotation.

## POTATOES.

There is still an active demand for these, and during the past week, the stock in the city has been greatly reduced. One or two houses are completely out at present, should the cold weather continue much longer, an advance is inevitable, but as yet quotations remain firm at \$1.00 a bushel. There is a plentiful supply in the country, and a turn of mild weather would soon relieve the present threatened scarcity.

## BUTTER.

There has been very little change in the butter market of the city during the last week. The invariable report has been, choice dairy, rather scarce, and lower grades abundant. Many schemes are tried to avoid a glut of the latter, but they are very little in demand, even when offered at reduced figures, and only a period of prolonged railway block or some such circumstance will let holders out safe. Quotations of such have ranged during the week from 17c to 23c. Choice dairy still holds out at 25c to 27c, with 28c for a few gilt edged lots. Ontario creamery is not very plentiful, but is still to be had at from 31c to 34c.

## EGGS.

Notwithstanding the extreme cold weather there has been as yet no advance in the price of eggs. The stock in the city is small, but the demand is correspondingly light, and the fact that an easier feeling pervades eastern markets has settled local dealers in the opinion that an advance would not be warranted at present. There is no likelihood of any famine during the balance of the winter, and very little change is expected from 35c to 38c, the present quotations for some weeks, and it may be that the first change will be a decline.

## HAMS.

There has been a good trade done in these during the week, and a marked improvement has been made on the week previous. The demand comes from both city and country, and is now unusually active. The supply in the city is large, and prices have consequently been easy. Quotations during the week have ranged from 17½c to 18c, first-class smoked being invariably held at the latter figure.

## BACON.

The supply in the city still keeps heavy and the variety extensive, ranging from the lowest grades of dry salt to Prime breakfast. The demand has been steadily active during the week, and dealers have done a very fair business. Prices have had quite a wide range, when the

different grades are taken all in. Dry salt has sold from 15c to 15½c; long clear 15½c to 16½c; Spiced roll 17½c to 18½c; American and Canadian breakfast 18c to 19½c.

## MESS PORK.

There has been no change in the price of this article during the week. The trade is now down to a fixed level seemingly, and but few fluctuations are expected for some time to come. Quotations have not changed from \$25. The supply in the city is liberal, and the demand is steady, although not so heavy as during the early part of winter. The Eastern markets indicate no prospect of any marked change, and purchases from the packers are now made purely as the legitimate demand dictates to dealers.

## CORNED BEEF.

This article has stood so long at one figure, that it may almost be considered beyond the reach of change. Quotations have not moved during the week from \$18. The demand is a steady but not heavy one, and the trade is now down to complete monotony.

## MINNEAPOLIS.

On Tuesday the market opened with the same firm feeling as on the previous day, and holders were in no way disposed to push sales. The receipts of wheat were limited, and offerings altogether were not heavy.

WHEAT ranged: No. 1 hard, 1.04 to 1.04½. No. 1, .98c to 1.01. No. 2 hard, .99c to 1.02.

CORN was quoted: No. 2 new, 48c to 50c. Rejected new, 42c to 45c.

OATS ranged, No. 2 white, 36½c to 37c. No. 2 mixed, 35c to 36c. Rejected, 33c to 34c. Samples 33c to 37c.

FLOUR quotations were: Paten's, \$6 to \$6.50. Straights, \$5.25 to \$5.75. Clears, 5 to \$5.25.

On Wednesday the trading in grain was only moderately heavy, but a firm feeling was maintained. The receipts of wheat were again rather light. Oats were active but lower in price, while flour was unchanged. The following quotations are based upon the day's sales:

WHEAT: No. 1 hard, \$1.04 to \$1.05½. No. 1, \$1 to \$1.02. No. 2 hard, \$1 to 1.02.

CORN, No. 2 new, 47c to 48c. Rejected new, 42c to 45c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 35c to 36½c. No. 2 mixed, 34c to 35c. Rejected, 32c to 33c. Samples 32c to 36½c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6 to \$6.50. Straights, \$5.25 to \$5.75. Clears, \$5 to \$5.25.

On Thursday there was very little change in the state of the grain market. Holders still looked for a further advance and buyers held off and were shy. The receipts were heavier than on the previous day. Oats were rather weak and flour was unchanged. The following were the range of prices of the day's sales.

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.04 to \$1.06. No. 1, \$1.01 to \$1.02½. No. 2 hard \$1.01 to 1.03.

CORN, No. 2 new, 47c to 49c. Rejected new, 42c to 46c according to quality.

OATS, No. 2 white, 35c to 36c. No. 2 mixed, 34c to 35c. Rejected 32c to 33c. Samples, 32c to 33c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6 to \$6.50, Straights, \$5.25 to \$5.75. Clears, \$5 to \$5.25.

Friday's market was again an active one in wheat which made another slight advance. There was a heavy speculative demand and buyers were free and eager. Corn was strong also, but did not advance in price. Oats and flour were both unchanged. The following quotations are based upon the day's sales:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.05 to \$1.06½. No. 1, \$1.01 to \$1.03. No. 2 hard, \$1.02 to \$1.03½.

CORN, No. 2, 47c to 49c. Rejected, 43c to 46c according to samples.

OATS, No. 2 white, 35c to 36c. No. 2 mixed, 34c to 35c. Rejected, 32c to 33c. Samples, 32c to 36c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6 to \$6.50. Straights, \$5.25 to \$5.75. Clears, \$5 to \$5.25.

Saturday's market was not quite so lively as that of the previous day, but prices of wheat and flour held firm and oats were inclined upward. Corn was not much in demand and offerings were light. The following quotations indicate the sales of the day:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 1 \$1.01 to \$1.03; No. 2 hard \$1.02 to \$1.03.

CORN, No. 2, 47c to 49c; Rejected 43c to 46c, according to quality.

OATS, No. 2 white 35c to 36½c; No. 2 mixed 34c to 35c; Rejected 32c to 33c.

FLOUR, Patents \$6 to \$6.50; Straights \$5.25 to \$5.75; Clears \$5 to \$5.25.

## CHICAGO.

The grain market during the week has averaged firm, and evidences are not wanting that a corner on January corn is now being aimed at. Wheat has held steady, and early in the week made a marked advance. Oats have held reasonably firm.

On Tuesday the firm feeling of the previous day continued, and bulls were confident. The following were quotations near the close:

Wheat, January,	97½c,	February	98½c
Corn, "	57½c,	"	53½c
Oats, "	36c,	"	36½c
Pork, "	17.05,	"	17.17½
Lard, "	10.35,	"	10.47½

On Wednesday wheat held firm, but made no material advance. Corn was active and inclining upward. Oats were changed but little and held steady. Pork and lard varied but very little from the previous day. Quotations near the close were:

Wheat, January,	97½c,	February	98c
Corn, "	57½c,	"	53½c
Oats, "	36c,	"	36½c
Pork, "	17.12½,	"	17.20
Lard, "	10.37½,	"	10.50

On Thursday the firm feeling continued in both wheat and corn and slight advances in both took place. Oats were unchanged but firm. Pork was easier and lard firmer and made a small advance. Quotations near the close were as follows:

Wheat, January,	97½c,	February	98c
Corn, "	57½c,	"	54½c
Oats, "	36c,	"	36½c
Pork, "	17.10,	"	17.32½c
Lard, "	10.42½,	"	10.50c

On Friday the upward movement was still under way, and both wheat and corn advanced although the trading was not heavy. Oats were slightly easier. Both pork and lard showed sudden firmness and both advanced a shade and closed very firm. Quotations near the close were as follows:

Wheat, January,	97½c,	February	98½c
Corn, "	58½,	"	51½c
Oats, "	35½,	"	36c
Pork, "	17.40,	"	17.50
Lard, "	10.62½,	"	10.72½

Saturday's market was a moderately strong one, and wheat and corn both held their former firmness. January corn, it still becomes more evident, is ment to be cornered. Pork and lard were scarcely changed and rather weak. The following were quotations near the close:

Wheat, January,	97½c,	February	98½c
Corn, "	58½c,	"	54½c
Oats, "	36½c,	"	36½c
Pork, "	17.15,	"	17.27½
Lard, "	10.65,	"	10.77½