

The following were the receipts and shipments here for the week ending Feb. 19:

	Received.	Shipped.
Wheat, bush.....	266,500	53,500
Flour, brls.....	4,000	64,533
Millstuf, tons.....	131	1,665

The wheat in store in Minneapolis elevators (including the transfer) on Wednesday, showed an increase of 186,000 bus. over the preceding week. One elevator showed a loss of 110,000 bus., and another a gain of nearly 300,000 bus. The stock at St. Paul fell off 5,000 bus. The following table exhibits the local stock, as well as that at St. Paul and Duluth:

MINNEAPOLIS.			
	Feb. 20.	Feb. 13.	
In elevators, bus. ..	2,890,000	2,704,000	
In mills	400,000	370,000	
Total	3,290,000	3,074,000	
ST. PAUL.			
In elevators, bus. ..	1,185,000	1,190,000	
DULUTH.			
	Feb. 19.	Feb. 12.	
In elevators, bus. ..	2,400,513	2,390,000	
Afloat	262,403	262,400	
Total	2,662,916	2,652,400	

The grain markets have not been very active the past week, but wheat has been stronger at times and closed quite firm at about opening figures. Receipts have been fair and shipments light. Coarse grains have been firm but quiet.

No. 2 corn closed at 60; No. 2 oats at 32c; No. 3 extra barley at 55c and rye at 50c to 53c.

The following were the highest and lowest prices by grade on 'change during last week, with Wednesday's closing prices:—

Wheat.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
No. 1 hard.....	\$1.01 ..	\$1.00 ..	\$1.00½
" 2 "	97 ..	96 ..	96
" 1 northern ..	92½ ..	92 ..	92
" 2 "	87 ..	86 ..	86

No. 1 hard for May opened at \$1.06 and closed at \$1.06½. No. 2 hard for May opened and closed at \$1.01.

MILLSTUFF.—Bran and shorts have been easy and in light demand closing at about \$12 per ton in bulk, for bran, and \$12.25 for shorts.

FLOUR.—The market shows encouraging signs of improvement, not only at home but abroad, and is pronounced firmer by all millers, though the advance reported is not large. There is a better feeling on all sides, and as previous experience has shown that an upward turn brings a rush of orders, an early boom is anticipated. The chief improvement thus far is in patents and bakers'. Quotations at the mills are as follows:

Patents, \$5.90 to 6.25; straights, \$5.25 to 5.50; first bakers', \$4.70 to 5.00; second bakers', \$4.30 to 4.50; best low grades, \$2.25 to 2.55; red dog, \$1.85 to 2.25.—*Northwestern Miller.*

CHICAGO.

The grain markets for the past week have been nervous and unsettled, trading being chiefly of a local character. On Monday the market opened ½c lower, and was easy, but soon developed strength, advancing ½c under the influence of local muscle, but towards noon the market suddenly declined 1½c, the impression

prevailing that the Longs were selling freely. Provisions, corn and oats in sympathy with wheat, and receipts larger. Quotations towards the close were:

	Feb.,	\$0.93½	Mar.,	\$0.95
Wheat.....	53½		54½	
Corn.....	32½		32½	
Oats.....	17.90		17.95	
Pork.....	9.75		9.80	

On Tuesday, under the influence of free-buying early, together with the report of colder weather in the Northwest, the grain markets advanced slightly. Quotations towards the close were:

	Feb.,	\$0.93½	Mar.,	\$0.95½
Wheat.....	53½		54½	
Corn.....	32½		32½	
Oats.....	17.60		17.50	
Pork.....	9.55		9.60	

On Wednesday wheat was unsettled and lower; buyers yesterday were sellers to-day. Foreign advices quoting dull markets, hog products were lower under free offerings. Quotations towards the close were:

	Feb.,	\$0.92½	Mar.,	\$0.94½
Wheat.....	53½		53½	
Corn.....	32½		32½	
Oats.....	17.30		17.32½	
Pork.....	9.45		9.50	

On Thursday the wheat market opened firm and advanced ½ to ½ under the influence of shorts, wanting to cover on account of to-morrow being a holiday, but the advance was lost. Quotations towards the close were:

	Feb.,	\$0.92	Mar.,	\$0.93½
Wheat.....	52½		53	
Corn.....	32		32½	
Oats.....	17.70		17.55	
Pork.....	9.60		9.75	

On Saturday the grain markets were quiet and prices unchanged. Pork and lard firm. Quotations towards the close were:

	Feb.,	\$0.92	Mar.,	\$0.93½
Wheat.....	52½		53	
Corn.....	32		32½	
Oats.....	17.75		17.90	
Pork.....	9.60		9.95	

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

The market during the week has shown considerable strength, with a further appreciation in values. On Wednesday closing bids, as compared with the week previous were:

	Feb. 13.	Feb. 20.
Montreal	182½ ..	184
Ontario	100½ ..	100½
Molson	114½ ..	114
Toronto	173 ..	174½
Merchants	110½ ..	112
Commerce	119½ ..	121
Imperial	128 ..	131
Federal	128½ ..	136½
Dominion	190 ..	193½
Standard	110½ ..	113½
Hamilton	114 ..	114
North-west Land	60 ..	61

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

A very quiet feeling has existed in this market during the week; offerings have been light, and holders have not been inclined to push sales, prices consequently have been fairly well maintained, but as buyers have not been anxious to operate, there has been no improvement, in fact the feeling at the close was easier in sympathy with outside markets. The stocks in store are on the increase, and on Monday were as follows: Flour, 625 bbls.; fall wheat, 68,787 bush.; spring wheat, 70,802 bush.; oats, nil bush.; barley, 196,307 bush.; peas, 32,425 bush.; rye,

nil; against on the corresponding date last year; flour 3,275 bbls.; fall wheat, 249,000 bush.; spring wheat, 112,709 bush.; oats, 2,061 bush.; barley, 121,700 bush.; peas, 11,118 bush.; rye, 6,567 bush.

WHEAT

has been scarce and offerings readily taken; the feeling at the close seemed rather easy, with the tendency of the market downwards. Quotations are: No. 2 Fall was wanted at \$1.08; No. 2 Spring sold at \$1.09, and goose at 82c to 84c.

OATS

have been steady and values unchanged. Sales were made at 34c; street prices have been very good at from 36c to 38c.

BARLEY.

The market closed quiet and easy, with lower prices offered: No. 2 offered at 67c; extra No. 3 quiet and dull and closing at 52c.

PEAS.

No change in values with but little doing; No. 2, sold at 74c; No. 3, 70c.

RYE.

Little or nothing doing, and values about 62c either for cars or on the street.

FLOUR.

Market closed unchanged with no movement reported. Any sales made have been sales of uninspected lots. Quotations are: superior extra, \$5.10; and about \$4.75 for extra.

POTATOES.

With large receipts the market has ruled easier, car lots selling at 65c, and street offerings at 80c to 85c per bag.

BUTTER.

Scarcely any change in this market this week. Choice has been in rather better supply, but all offerings have been readily taken at from 18c to 20c; medium has been totally neglected, and no demand for shipment; inferior was occasionally sold to bakers at 12½c to 14c, but very little has changed hands. Stocks of the two latter grades are large. Box lots of rolls readily taken at from 16c to 18c, according to quality; street receipts increasing. Good pound rolls steady at 22c to 24c; and crocks at 18c to 17c for fine.

EGGS.

With larger receipts prices have receded considerably, closing at 30c for really fresh, whether in lots or on the street, with still lower prices expected.

CHEESE

Stocks light and prices tending upwards. Small lots of fine bringing 13½c to 14c; none of the lower grades offered.

PORK.

Several sales of small lots have been made. Rates from \$19 to \$20, closing weak with plenty of sellers.

BACON.

Quiet but firm. Car lots of long clear have been wanted at 10c, but holders not inclined to sell. Small lots of long clear sold at 10½c; Cumberland, 9½c; rolls, slow sale at 11c½ to 12c; and bellies at 13c.

HAMS.

Market quiet, with no change in prices; small lots of smoked bringing 13½c.

LARD.

Unchanged. No movement in round lots reported. Small lots steady at 12½c to 13c.

APPLES.

Receipts small and prices steady. Car lots would bring \$3.25; street receipts quoted at \$2.75 to \$3.50 according to quality.