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# The Farmers' Market

## WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, December 28, 1914.

**Wheat**—In consequence of the continued enormous export business thru Chicago during the past week, the speculative market has shown pronounced strength, with the result that all markets on this side of the Atlantic have enjoyed phenomenal advances for the holiday season. The Southern markets have advanced 5 to 6 cents and prices here partly met this bulge, final figures being 34 cents. Country offerings are gradually lessening while the demand from the other side is more urgent than at any time on the crop. The present situation has never been equalled and will undoubtedly result in a still higher range of values. More favorable crop news has come from Argentine and the exportable surplus will be probably a little larger than last expected. There is ample snow covering over the United States winter wheat sections. The cash demand during the week has only been fair.

**Oats**—Advanced in sympathy with bulge in wheat and higher American coarse grain values. Final figures are 2 to 3 cents up, with the main strength in December the cash article.

**Barley**—Has also ranged higher on improvement in cash demand, closing 1 to 3 cents up.

**Flax**—Following the advance in Duluth prices here have done better and at the close today show a gain of about 6 cents for the week.

WINNIPEG FUTURES				STOCKS IN TERMINALS			
Wheat	Dec.	May	July	Fort William, Dec. 25, 1914.	1914	Wheat	1913
Dec. 22	122 1/2	127 1/2	128 1/2	1 hard	14,206 40		60,482 10
Dec. 23	121 1/2	126 1/2	128 1/2	1 Nor.	703,277 00		4,059,696 40
Dec. 24	121 1/2	127 1/2	128 1/2	2 Nor.	1,106,139 40		2,416,471 55
Dec. 25—Christmas Day—Holiday				3 Nor.	837,781 50		689,846 30
Dec. 26—No market				No. 4	523,480 20		171,924 10
Dec. 28	120 1/2	126 1/2	128 1/2	Others	791,797 10		1,175,447 38
<b>Oats</b>				<b>This week</b>			
Dec. 22	54 1/2	57 1/2		4,035,632 40		5,573,869 03	
Dec. 23	54 1/2	57 1/2		Last week	3,808,259 20	Last week	7,122,051 33
Dec. 24	55 1/2	57 1/2		<b>Increase</b>			
Dec. 25—Christmas Day—Holiday				227,373 20		1,451,817 30	
Dec. 26—No market				<b>Oats</b>			
Dec. 28	54 1/2	57 1/2		1 C.W.	15,639 24		19,693 69
<b>Flax</b>				2 C.W.	606,844 08		1,996,949 25
Dec. 22	133 1/2	138 1/2		3 C.W.	238,743 01		1,132,510 12
Dec. 23	136 1/2	140 1/2		Ex. 1 Fd.	201,202 31		86,116 27
Dec. 24	138 1/2	143 1/2		Others	848,633 31		685,380 20
Dec. 25—Christmas Day—Holiday				<b>This week</b>			
Dec. 26—No market				1,973,049 22		3,920,650 25	
Dec. 28	134 1/2	139 1/2		Last week	1,803,359 16	Last week	3,794,335 09

MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALES				SHIPMENTS			
(Sample Market, Dec. 26)				Wheat	Oats	Barley	Flax
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	81 20 1/2			1914 (lake)	231,132		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 26 1/2			(rail)	240,772	27,415	21,406 29,814
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2,000 bu. to arrive	1 22 1/2			1913 (lake)	642,820	540,434	90,622
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 26 1/2			(rail)	810,198	471,504	113,070 2,565
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1 25 1/2			<b>CANADIAN VISIBLE SUPPLY</b>			
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 22 1/2			Wheat	Oats	Barley	
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars, dock	1 26 1/2			Ft. William and			
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car, dock	1 26 1/2			Pt. Arthur Ter.	4,035,632	1,973,049	265,824
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 25 1/2			Total	12,144,367	6,133,986	740,407
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars, dock	1 26 1/2			In vessels in Can.			
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car, dock	1 25 1/2			Ter. Harbors	1,495,016	192,594	
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 23 1/2			At Buffalo and			
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1 23 1/2			Duluth	1,714,390	652,048	31,000
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1 16 1/2			Total this week	15,353,773	6,978,628	771,467
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1 10 1/2			Total last week	15,170,586	6,453,493	774,840
Rejected wheat, 1 car	1 12 1/2			Total last year	23,613,483	16,764,719	3,994,949
Rejected wheat, 1 car	1 10 1/2			<b>CALGARY LIVESTOCK</b>			
Buckwheat, 1 car	1 65 1/2			Calgary, Dec. 25—Receipts of cattle, sheep and			
Sample grade wheat, part car	1 12 1/2			hogs at the Alberta stockyards, Calgary, this week			
Screenings, 1 car	15 00			were as follows: Cattle, 652; sheep, 717; hogs,			
No. 3 speltz, 1 car	1 10 1/2			2,363. Seven cars of hogs were shipped from this			
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1 20 1/2			market to Seattle Thursday, three cars to Tacoma			
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1 16 1/2			and five cars to Buffalo. One car of hogs also			
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1 14 1/2						
No. 3 corn, 2 cars, mixed	62 1/2						
No. 3 yellow corn, 2 cars, Willmar	64 1/2						
No. 5 yellow corn, 1 car	63 1/2						
No. 3 corn, 5 cars	63 1/2						
No. 3 yellow corn, 1 car	64 1/2						
No. 3 corn, 1 car, mixed	63 1/2						
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	48 1/2						
No. 4 white oats, part car	46 1/2						
No. 2 rye, 1 car, to arrive	1 07 1/2						
No. 2 rye, 1 car	1 06 1/2						
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	59 1/2						
No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	61 1/2						
Sample barley, 4 cars	60 1/2						
Sample barley, 2 cars	58 1/2						
Sample barley, 1 car	57 1/2						
No. 1 flax, part car, dock	1 66 1/2						
No. 1 flax, 4 cars	1 66 1/2						
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1 65 1/2						

### Cash Prices Fort William and Port Arthur from December 22 to December 28 inclusive

Date	WHEAT					OATS					BARLEY					FLAX				
	1*	2*	3*	4	5	6	Feed	2CW	3CW	Ex 1 Fd	1 Fd	2 Fd	No. 3	No. 4	Rej.	Feed	1NW	2CW	3CW	Rej.
Dec. 22	122 1/2	119 1/2	115	111	106	101 1/2	97 1/2	54 1/2	51	51	49 1/2	48 1/2	64 1/2	60 1/2	57 1/2	57	133 1/2	130 1/2		
Dec. 23	121 1/2	118 1/2	114					54 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	49 1/2	48 1/2	64 1/2	60 1/2	57 1/2	57	133 1/2	132 1/2		
Dec. 24	121 1/2	118 1/2	113 1/2	109 1/2	104 1/2			54 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	49 1/2	48 1/2	64 1/2	60 1/2	57 1/2	57	133 1/2	132 1/2		
Dec. 25	CHRISTMAS DAY—HOLIDAY																			
Dec. 26	NO MARKET																			
Dec. 28	120 1/2	117 1/2	113	108 1/2	104 1/2	99 1/2	95 1/2	54 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	49 1/2	48 1/2	64 1/2	60 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	134	131		

### THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Winnipeg Grain				Winnipeg Livestock				Country Produce			
MON.	WEEK	YEAR	AGO	MON.	WEEK	YEAR	AGO	MON.	WEEK	YEAR	AGO
<b>Cash Wheat</b>				<b>Cattle</b>				<b>Butter (per lb.)</b>			
No. 1 Nor.	120 1/2	121 1/2	83 1/2	Choice steers	8 c. 8 c.	8 c. 8 c.	8 c. 8 c.	Pancy dairy	24c	24c	25c
No. 2 Nor.	117 1/2	118 1/2	80 1/2	Best butcher steers and	6 25-6 50	6 00-6 25	6 25-6 50	No. 1 dairy	21c	21c	22c-23c
No. 3 Nor.	113 1/2	114 1/2	77 1/2	heifers	5 75-6 00	5 50-5 75	6 00-6 25	Good round lots	18c	18c	20c-21c
No. 4	104 1/2	105 1/2	73 1/2	Pair to good butcher	5 00-5 25	4 45-5 00	5 50-6 00	<b>Eggs (per doz.)</b>			
No. 5	104 1/2	105 1/2	73 1/2	steers and heifers	4 75-5 00	5 00-5 25	5 50-5 75	Strictly new laid	35c-35c	35c-35c	35c-40c
No. 6	99 1/2	100 1/2	70 1/2	Best fat cows	4 50-4 75	4 50-4 75	4 75-5 25	Subject to Candler	26c	26c	31c
Feed	95 1/2	96 1/2	66 1/2	Medium cows	3 50-3 75	3 50-3 75	4 00-4 50	<b>Potatoes</b>			
<b>Cash Oats</b>				Common cows	3 00-3 25	3 00-3 25	4 00-4 50	New	55c-60c	55c-60c	75c
No. 2 CW	54 1/2	53 1/2	33 1/2	Choice heifers	5 00-5 25	5 00-5 25	5 50-6 00	<b>Milk and Cream</b>			
<b>Cash Barley</b>				Com'n and medium bulls	4 25-4 50	4 25-4 50	4 00-4 25	Sweet cream (per lb.)	35c	35c	34c
No. 3	64	64	41 1/2	Best feeding steers	5 25-5 50	5 25-5 50	6 00-7 00	Butter-fat	28c	28c	29c
<b>Cash Flax</b>				Best stocker steers	4 75-5 25	4 75-5 25	5 50-6 00	Cream for butter-making	28c	28c	29c
No. 1 NW	134	132 1/2	122 1/2	Best milkers and spring-	855-865	855-865	870-880	ing purposes (per lb.)	28c	28c	29c
<b>Wheat Futures</b>				ers (each)	840-845	840-845	845-860	Butter-fat	28c	28c	29c
December	120 1/2	121 1/2	83 1/2	Common milkers and	840-845	840-845	845-860	Sweet milk (per 100 lbs.)	82 25	82 25	82 10
May	126 1/2	126 1/2	89 1/2	springers (each)				<b>Dressed Poultry</b>			
July	128 1/2	127 1/2	90 1/2	<b>Hogs</b>				Chickens	12 1/2c	12 1/2c	17c
<b>Oat Futures</b>				Choice hogs	86 75	86 50	87 50	Roosters	9c-10c	9c-10c	12c
December	54 1/2	53 1/2	33 1/2	Heavy sows	85 75	85 60	86 00	Ducks	12c	12c	16c-17c
May	57 1/2	57 1/2	37 1/2	Stags	4 25-4 75	4 00-4 50	84 00	Turkeys	15c-16c	15c-16c	17c
<b>Flax Futures</b>				<b>Sheep and Lambs</b>				<b>Hay (per ton)</b>			
December	134 1/2	132 1/2	122 1/2	Choice lambs	7 00-7 50	6 75-7 25	7 00-7 50	No. 1 Red Top	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2-81 1/2
May	139 1/2	137 1/2	130 1/2	Best killing sheep	5 50-6 00	5 50-6 00	5 00-5 50	No. 1 Upland	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2-81 1/2
								No. 1 Timothy	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2
								No. 1 Midland	81 1/2-81 1/2	81 1/2-81 1/2	81 1/2

## WINNIPEG AND U.S. PRICES

Closing prices on the principal western markets on Thursday, December 24, were:			
Cash Grain	Winnipeg	Minneapolis	
1 Nor. wheat	81 21 1/2	81 26 1/2	
2 Nor. wheat	1 18 1/2	1 24 1/2	
3 Nor. wheat	1 13 1/2	1 22 1/2	
3 white oats	51 1/2	47 1/2	
Barley	57-64 1/2	55-65	
Flax, No. 1	1 38 1/2	1 65	
<b>Futures—</b>			
Dec. wheat	1 21 1/2	1 21 1/2	
May wheat	1 27 1/2	1 24 1/2	
July wheat	1 28 1/2	1 25 1/2	
<b>Beef Cattle, top</b>			
Hogs, top	80 25	81 00	
Sheep, yearlings	5 75	7 60	

price of hogs. Cattle quotations were only nominal. There was not much activity in regard to sheep and lambs.

### AMERICAN BARLEY AND OATS

Minneapolis, Dec. 24—Cash oats closed as follows:			
No. 3 white oats	46 1/2	47 1/2	
No. 3 oats	44	46	
Barley	55	65	
Flax	162	165	

## Winnipeg Livestock

### Stockyard Receipts

There have been received at the Union stockyards during the past week 721 cattle, 35 calves, 10,285 hogs and 164 sheep.

### Cattle

Owing to the Christmas holiday season the receipts at the yards during the past week have been very light indeed. This shortage had a tendency to strengthen prices and had not the receipts been of a rather inferior quality there is no doubt that prices would have raised somewhat. As it was, however, trade was very active and values very uneven, in most instances