

now made as to the future is attended with extra caution. The flour production this week is slightly increased, but the prospects are that there will be a material falling off soon, owing to the cause mentioned. On Tuesday there were eighteen mills in operation, but two or three were expected to shut down before the close of the week. The output will average about 14,000 barrels per day against 13,500 a week ago. Some of the mills, in cases where the owners have wheat, are being pushed to their full capacity, but we hear some complaint of stock not working quite as freely as it might. The wheat stored in Minneapolis elevators, including the transfer elevator, on Aug. 21st, was 650,000 bushels. There were about 350,000 bushels in the mills, making the total amount of wheat in store in the city 1,000,000 bushels, against 1,090,000 last week. On Tuesday the market was tolerably active for wheat, but corn and oats were quiet. Flour was steady and in fair demand. The following quotations represent the business of the day:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.14½ to \$1.15; No. 1, \$1.01 to \$1.10; No. 2 hard \$1.09½ to 1.10

CORN, No. 2, 47½ to 48½c; no grade, 40 to 45c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 29 to 30c; rejected, 25 to 28c

Flour, Patents, \$6.50 to \$6.75; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.00; clears, \$4.80 to \$5.20.

On Wednesday wheat was in fair demand. Corn and oats were not much inquired for. The business of the day is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.14½ to \$1.15½; No. 1, \$1.02 to \$1.10; No. 2 hard, \$1.09 to \$1.10½.

CORN, No. 2, 47½ to 47¾c; rejected, 40 to 45c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 28½ to 29½c; rejected, 24½ to 27½c.

Flour, patents, \$6.50 to \$6.75; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.00; clears, \$4.80 to \$5.20.

On Thursday wheat was about the same, and corn and oats continued quiet. The following quotations represent the business of the day:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.14½ to 1.15½; No. 1, \$1.02 to \$1.11; No. 2 hard \$1.09½ to \$1.11.

CORN, No. 2, 47½ to 48c; condemned 40 to 45c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 29½ to 30c; samples, 25 to 28c.

Flour, patents, \$6.50 to \$6.75; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.00; clears, \$4.80 to \$5.20.

On Friday there was considerable trading, and more grain offered than was wanted. Holders were asking high figures. Some new wheat was offered. Oats and corn were dull. Flour was steady and firmer. The business of the day is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.15½ to 1.16; No. 1, \$1.03 to 1.12; No. 2 hard, \$1.011 to \$1.12.

CORN, No. 2, 47½c to 48c; condemned 41 to 46c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 29½ to 30c; samples, 25 to 27c.

Flour, patents, \$6.50 to \$6.75; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.00; clears, \$4.80 to \$5.20.

On Saturday there was a fair amount of business done at figures not much changed from the previous days quotations. The business of

the day is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.15½ to 1.16; No. 1, \$1.03 to 1.11½; No. 2 hard \$1.11 to 1.12.

CORN, No. 2, 47c to 47½c; no grade 41c to 45c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 29½c to 30c; rejected 25 to 27c.

Flour, Patents, \$6.50 to 6.75; straights, \$5.50 to 6.00; clear \$4.80 to 5.20.

CHICAGO.

The market for the week has been very quiet. Transactions were comparatively small in number and extent, and fluctuations were within a narrow limit. On Tuesday wheat was quiet, and only a small business was done. Trade was somewhat interfered with by the burning of the Western Union Telegraph office. Corn was quiet, but firm. Oats were dull. A light business was done in provisions at steady prices. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat.....	Aug.	\$1.02	Sept.	\$1.02½
Corn.....	"	51½	"	50½
Oats.....	"	26½	"	26½
Pork.....	"	12.40	"	12.40
Lard.....	"	8.70	"	8.70

On Wednesday wheat still continued quiet. Corn was more active and somewhat unsettled, and oats were moderately active. Provisions were stronger. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat.....	Aug.	\$1.02	Sept.	\$1.02½
Corn.....	"	51½	"	50½
Oats.....	"	27	"	26½
Pork.....	"	12.40	"	12.32½
Lard.....	"	8.67½	"	8.62½

Thursday was another quiet day in wheat. Prices ruled steady, but a shade easier. Corn was quiet and dragging. Oats were dull and weaker. In provisions very little business was transacted. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat.....	Aug.	\$1.01½	Sept.	\$1.02½
Corn.....	"	51½	"	50½
Oats.....	"	26½	"	26½
Pork.....	"	12.05	"	12.05
Lard.....	"	8.45	"	8.45

Friday differed very little from the day previous. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat.....	Aug.	\$1.01½	Sept.	\$1.02½
Corn.....	"	51½	"	50½
Oats.....	"	26½	"	26½
Pork.....	"	12.10	"	12.08
Lard.....	"	8.50	"	8.50

The market on Saturday was dull, and prices were quiet but steady. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat.....	Aug.	\$1.01½	Sept.	\$1.02½
Corn.....	"	51½	"	50½
Oats.....	"	26½	"	26½
Pork.....	"	12.15	"	12.15
Lard.....	"	8.55	"	8.55

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

There has been quite an improvement in the stock market during the past week. Considerable activity prevails, and prices have a tendency to advance. It was about time there was a change, as the monotony that characterized the market for some time previous was becoming wearisome. On Wednesday there was a general improvement in all bank stocks. As

compared with last week's quotations, closing bids were:

	Aug. 15.	Aug. 22.
Montreal	197½	198
Ontario	113½	114½
Toronto	183½	184½
Merchants	120½	121
Commerce	132	133
Imperial	142	142
Federal	158½	159½
Dominion	200	201½
Standard	114½	114½
Hamilton	116	117
North-west Land	50	50
Ontario and Qu'Appelle	123	123

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

The past week has been a quiet one in the local market, very little of anything offering. Old stocks are running low, and quietude will necessarily continue until the new crop begins to offer. Crop prospects are better than was expected some time ago, and the general opinion is that prices, especially of wheat will advance.

WHEAT.

There has been a good demand at steady prices, but there has been scarcely any obtainable. Prices are firm at the following quotations: Fall No. 2 \$1.10 to \$1.12; No. 3 \$1.00 to \$1.10; Spring No. 2 \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 3 \$1.11 to \$1.12.

OATS.

Receipts have increased during the week, and prices have had a declining tendency. Western on track are worth 40c to 41c; street prices 42c.

BARLEY.

There is as yet none offering, and consequently nothing doing. A fairly good crop is expected, and there is an easier feeling. Quotations are: No. 1, 48c; No. 2, 68c; extra No. 3, 59c; No. 3, 48 to 50c.

RYE.

The price is nominal at 60c, either in store or on the street.

POTATOES.

The quality of the home product is very poor, and finds slow sale at from \$1.75 to \$2 per barrel. Imported sell at from \$2 to 2.25 per bbl.

FLOUR.

Receipts have been light. All offered finds ready sale at firm prices. Holders are inclined to wait in expectation of an advance. For Superior extra \$4.95 to \$5 is bid, but holders are about 10c higher; extra is quoted at \$4.85 to \$4.90, and not in such keen demand as superior.

BUTTER.

There is no improvement noticeable in butter. Stocks both in the city and throughout the country are increasing, and now reach a large amount. There has been no demand for shipment, although lots have been offered at from 13c to 14c. Selections have sold slowly at 15c. No demand for inferior. On the street pound rolls sell at from 18c to 19c; best dairy at 15c to 16c.

EGGS.

Receipts have been light, and scarcely equal to the demand. Prices are firmer. Round lots have sold at 16c to 17c; on the street really fresh bring 19c to 20c.

CHEESE.

There is an easier feeling in cheese, English quotations showing a decline. Fine quality brings from 10½ to 11c; skim 9c.

PORK.

There has been very little activity in pork, but prices are well maintained. Small lot shave sold at from 19 to 20c.

BACON.

There has been a better demand than for some time. Tons and cases of long clear have