

occasionally some very fair shipments sent to western points, but there is only a spurt which sets in now and again. In the city affairs are quite good, while to the east very little is being shipped and is evidently only part of surplus stock left over, the markets in these parts at present being suffering from a considerable depression. Prices have not made any change, quotations being the same as in our last issue as follows: patents, \$2.30; strongbakers, \$2.10; XXXX \$1.70, and superfine, \$1.30.

BRAN AND SHORTS

During the past week business in this market has on the whole continued to be very fair. The demand is shown to have kept up very well and the aggregate of sales are up to a good average. Prices have not made any change, the quotations given being the same as in our last issue, as follows: for bran \$9 per ton on track, and for shorts \$10 per ton.

POTATOES.

In this market there has continued to be a fairly good business doing during the past week. There are no imported potatoes in stock at present, while there are plenty of new Manitoban, and these have been selling off fairly well at their old figure, namely 40c a bushel, although this price is anything but firm, and all old surplus left over has been pretty well cleared off.

EGGS.

In this market the business of the past week is reported to have continued fairly good though there has been a somewhat less demand and the supply has shown an increase, consequently prices have made a decline, the ruling quotations now being, from 16 to 17c, with a prospect of going still lower.

CHEESE.

The business in this market is reported as having been very good. The supply of new Manitoba cheese has been fair, and for which there was a fairly active demand prices being stiff at from 10 to 11c, some lots of new Ontario in stock has been selling off at 11½c. It is rumored that a large quantity of Ontario cheese has been received in the market, and is being offered at 10c, if the case, it is most likely this will be met by cutting of Manitoban.

BUTTER.

In this market there was a fair business put through during the past week, although no particular activity can be said to have existed. The supply is not yet over plentiful, while the demand has been somewhat greater, but this has not affected prices, as the quotations given being the same as in our last issue as follows: gilt edge 12 to 15c, medium 6 to 8c, and for old 4 to 6c. As farmers are now busy harvesting, there is not so much received direct by retail traders as formerly though prices are not in any way materially affected.

BACON.

In this market business during the last week has been very fair, their having been quite an active demand to which the supply appears to have been equal, though prices are somewhat easier, but this is due to a fall in eastern markets. The following are now the ruling quotations, dry salt 9 to 9½c, rolls from 12 to 12½c and breakfast bacon 12 to 12½c.

HAMS.

The business of this market during the past week has continued to keep fairly good. There has been a good demand while the supply appears to have been somewhat scarce, but quite able to meet all wants. Prices are however a shade firmer, the following being now the ruling quotation, viz, 14½c for trade lots. There is no green in stock and we do not hear of any demand.

MESS PORK.

In this market business during the past week has continued to be fairly good, although no particular activity is noticed, the demand at this season of the year being as a rule rather

low. Prices have made a decline, owing to the low price of beef, the following being the ruling quotation, namely, \$15 to \$16 per barrel.

MESS BEEF

In this market business during the past week has continued very fair. The supply is good and about equal to the demand, which was fairly active. Prices have made a decline, due to a fall in the price of beef in eastern markets, and the following are now the ruling quotation, namely, \$15 to \$16 per barrel.

LARD.

In this market during the past week business has been fairly good the demand having continued very fair. Prices have not made any change, quotations given being as follows, for pails of 20 lbs, from \$2.40 to \$2.50.

DRESSED HOGS.

In this market we do not notice much change. The demand during the past week was rather light and but few sales could be heard of, and the supply is not very extensive as yet. Prices are quoted at \$5.

CHICAGO.

The wheat market opened on the first day of this week with a moderately active business, but the feeling was decidedly weak and at times slumpy, which developed into a marked depression, assisted by weaker and lower foreign markets and the reported increase of the visible supply. At the opening there was a wild rush to sell, both by local parties and on outside orders, and the sharp break which followed exhausted a large number of margins, and the property was thrown on the market, adding materially to the weakness. During the week, there was not much if any improvement made, although at times business was fairly active, the feeling was nervous and fluctuations were both numerous and sudden. The export clearing from the seaboard were rather small and the shipping demand at this place light. At the close the feeling was dull. Corn opened with a fairly active business, both in cash and the speculative futures, and prices were well sustained considering the depression in wheat, but towards the close became rather unsettled in sympathy with the course taken by it. Oats were more active and stronger there being a fair demand for near futures, evidently from "shorts", and also a fair shipping demand while it was noticed that liberal receipts and weak markets for other grain had no influence. Pork was rather overshadowed by the interests shown in wheat, but opened with a fair trading, but prices ruled rather weak and irregular.

On Monday the wheat market opened weak with a wild rush to sell both by local parties and on outside orders, advices from abroad quoted the markets as weak and lower and the sharp break at this place exhausted a large number of margins and the property was thrown in, adding materially to the weakness. When the first selling rush was over prices steadied and strengthened, but again fell off, finally closing rather easy. Receipts posted on this day were 47 cars. In corn there was a fairly active business and prices were well sustained, considering the depressed feeling in wheat, though the close was rather weak and easy. Oats at the opening were easy, but reacted during the day and closed firm. The following were the closing quotations:

	Aug.	Sept.
Wheat	\$0.81½	\$0.83
Corn	47½	45½
Oats	25½	24½
Pork	9.35	9.35
Lard	6.30	6.30

On Tuesday in the wheat market the depression was again very marked during the early part of the session, assisted by the reported large increase in the visible supply, and the decline again bringing out some large blocks of long wheat which helped the downward tendency. Domestic markets were all lower and foreign advices showed a further weakness but during the day prices advanced quickly on reported increased export movement, though at the close figures were still lower than on the previous day. Corn opened lower under large receipts and fine weather, prices being irregular and the feeling unsettled. Oats were firm, the depression in the other grain markets having no influence. Pork was moderately active and at the opening, under free offerings, a decline took place but towards the close the feeling became firmer and prices advanced, closing steady. Closing quotations were as follows:

	Aug.	Sept.
Wheat	\$0.80½	\$0.81½
Corn	45½	45½
Oats	25½	24½
Pork	9.22½	9.22½
Lard	6.30	6.30

On Wednesday the wheat market opened rather easy, but under a fair demand, only moderate offerings and a better feeling in domestic markets prices were generally advanced. Later on during the day, under more liberal offerings and some decline at the seaboard, and rumors of more hot wheat posted in New York, led to weakness and prices gradually fell off from the highest point, closing barely steady. Receipts on this day were 48 cars. In corn there was a moderately active business, but the markets was almost featureless and the slight changes were due principally to sympathy with the course of wheat. Oats were more active and stronger prices ruled, and pork with an active trading ruled weak during the entire session. Closing quotations were as follows:

	Aug.	Sept.
Wheat	\$0.80½	\$0.81½
Corn	45½	45½
Oats	25½	24½
Pork	8.82½	8.82½
Lard	6.15	6.15

On Thursday the wheat markets was fairly active and very nervous, there were no influences to induce free selling and the offerings being much smaller than on the previous day there was a very sharp and sudden advance, a good many orders were received to buy at the opening, and parties holding them were compelled to bid up sharply in order to fill them. Foreign advices quoted steadier and firmer markets abroad, while reports of wet weather also assisted the upward turn on corn. In corn a moderate business was transacted and the feeling somewhat unsettled but became strong in sympathy with wheat. Oats were in an excited and nervous condition and pork with quite a active business opened rather steady,