STATISTICAL WHEAT REPORT.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

Stocks of wheat in Canada at principal points of accumulation are reported as follows:

Montreal	46,000
Toronto	45,000
Coteau, Que.	49,000
Depot Harbor, Ont.	225,000
Kingston	22,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	5,450,000
Winnipeg	67,000
Manitoba elevators	12,850,000
Total March 1	19,263,000
Total previous week	18,844,000
Total a year ago	5,572,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's March 1, were 84,315,000 bushels, as against 84,953,000 bushels the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 80,704,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on March 1 were 5,542,000 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ending March 8, was 93,155,000 bushels, being a decrease of 938,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 95,893,000 bushels, two years ago 53,898,000 bushels, three years ago 37,106 bushels, four years ago 33,012,000 bushels, five years ago 42,768,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 4,001,000 bushels, compared with 10,838,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 10,085,000 bushels, compared with 21,014,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe and afloat for Europe Feb. 1 in each year for a series of years, were as follows—Bradstreet's report:

	Bushels.
1902	000,000,000
1901	166,000,000
1900	162,000,000
1899	118,000,000
1898	127,000,000
1897	148,000,000
1896	177,000,000
1895	204,000,000

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1901, to date, compared with the same period of last year.

	This crop.	Last crop.
Minneapolis	66,870,216	56,620,400
Milwaukee	8,559,880	6,127,530
Duluth	38,330,383	14,430,243
Chicago	33,457,379	33,665,929
Total	147,217,858	110,844,092

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1901, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

	This crop.	Last crop.
Toledo	6,162,898	7,724,864
St. Louis	15,332,956	17,923,771
Detroit	2,741,532	2,503,801
Kansas City	16,618,548	31,150,917
Total	40,796,934	59,303,353

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this date last year:

Wheat—Cash No. 1 hard closed at 84c in store Fort William.

Flour—Jobbing price per sack: Patent, $2.10; best bakers', $1.95.

Millstuffs—Bran, $15.00 per ton; shorts, $17 per ton delivered.

Oats—Carlots on track, Alberta 41 @ 44c; Manitoba, 38@40c.

Barley—40@45c per bushel.

Corn—In car lots, 48@49½c per bushel of 56lbs.

Butter—Dairy, 15@16c per lb.; creamery jobbing at 22c.

Cheese—10c to retail merchants.

Eggs—14c for Manitoba fresh, less expressage.

Potatoes—Farmers' loads on the street, 40@45c per bushel.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 5½@6½c for city dressed; country, 5@6c per lb.; hogs, 6½@7c.

Poultry —Dressed chickens, 7½@10c; ducks, dressed, 9c; geese, 9c; turkeys, dressed, 11@12c.

Game—Rabbits, 12c pair; jack rabbits, 25c each, and wild pigeons 20c per pair, pair.

Hides—4½c for fresh stock, less 5lbs. tare.

Wool—8@8½c for unwashed fleece.

Seneca Root—30c per lb.

Baled Hay—$7@$8 per ton on cars.

Live Stock—Cattle 3½@4½c; sheep nominal; hogs, 4½@5¼c.

Grain and Milling.

A farmers' elevator will be built at Elva with a capacity of 40,000 bushels.

A new elevator is being erected at Foxwarren by A. Laycock which is just about completed.

The Canadian Northern Railway Company has given official notice that its new elevator at Port Arthur is now open to receive grain. The first load was put in on the 6th inst.

The Springfield Milling Company have concluded a contract with a machinery company to erect a grist mill at Oakbank, Man., to be ready for the crop of 1902. Work will be proceeded with at once.

It is reported from Washington that the Washburn-Crosby Company of Minneapolis have made application to have one of their flour mills bonded for grinding Manitoba wheat. This looks as though an attempt is actually to be made to grind Manitoba wheat in Minneapolis in bond. All the product of the wheat will have to be exported.

The machinery in the cleaning elevator at Emerson is being taken out. This elevator was used for cleaning wheat shipped to Duluth by the Northern Pacific Railway, but now that the Northern Pacific is out of Manitoba, by the sale of its lines to the Canadian Northern, wheat is not going to Duluth by this route. The cleaning elevator is therefore not now necessary. It will be used simply as a primary storage elevator hereafter.

The inspection returns show a large increase in the wheat movement this week. Wheat is being taken from Manitoba and eastern Assiniboia to Duluth by two routes. From the western section the wheat is being taken out via the "Soo" line, and inspectors have been stationed at North Portal to inspect this wheat before it leaves Canadian territory. From the eastern districts the grain is going out via Gretna, at which point the Canadian Pacific Railway connects with the Great Northern. Inspectors have also been stationed at Gretna. The inspection office at Emerson has been closed, as no wheat is now going out by that route, since the Canadian Northern began to carry wheat to Port Arthur. The Canadian Pacific Railway is also moving a considerable quantity of grain eastward. An effort is being made to relieve the points where the blockade is felt most severely.

Grain Inspection.

During the week ending March 7 there were inspected 800 cars of grain, comprising the following:

Wheat—No. 1 hard, 21 cars; 1 northern, 238 cars; 2 northern, 390 cars; 3 northern, 17 cars; No. 4, 16 cars; feed, 7 cars; No. 1 rejected, 1 car; No. 2 rejected, 4 cars; no grade, 16 cars; making a total inspection of wheat of 709 cars.

Oats—No. 2 white, 55 cars; 2 mixed, 8 cars; feed, 24 cars; no grade, 1 car; total 88 cars.

Barley—Feed, 1 car.

Flax—No. 2, 2 cars.

During the same period a year ago the total number of cars inspected was 371, and two years ago 290 cars.

Wheat Stocks on March 1.

Wheat stocks in the United States and Canada declined but slightly during February, says Bradstreet's, not because of a larger movement in or smaller exports from the United States, but because the movement of Manitoba wheat was so large as a result in a record-breaking increase in Canadian stocks for this season of the year. The movement of wheat to interior United States markets in February was really smaller than a year ago, and exports were only slightly below those of last year, but despite these facts the decrease in February this year in United States and Canadian stocks was only about 5,464,000 bushels, as against 7,400,000 bushels in February a year ago. As bearing on this, the fact might be noted that Manitoba and Western Ontario wheat stocks increased over 3,000,000 bushels this year. Following is the situation of American stocks on March 1 as compared with earlier periods of the present cereal year:

1901.	East of Rockies.	Pacific coast.	Totals U.S. & Canada
July 1	39,317,000	2,228,000	42,545,000
Aug. 1	40,924,000	3,935,000	44,859,000
Sept. 1	39,348,000	4,266,000	43,614,000
Oct. 1	53,790,000	6,235,000	60,025,000
Nov. 1	64,616,000	7,262,000	71,878,000
Dec. 1	85,631,000	7,378,000	93,009,000
1902.			
Jan. 1	94,900,000	7,186,000	102,086,000
Feb. 1	88,800,000	6,521,000	95,321,000
March 1	84,315,000	5,542,000	89,857,000

The following table shows the position of American supplies, those in the United States and Canada, on the first of each month for three years past:

	1902.	1901.	1900.
Jan. 1	102,086,000	96,597,000	99,287,000
Feb. 1	95,321,000	95,041,000	96,386,000
March 1	89,857,000	87,676,000	93,384,000
April 1		81,826,000	86,897,000
May 1		65,382,000	77,814,000
June 1		51,761,000	64,483,000
July 1		42,545,000	64,426,000
Aug. 1		44,859,000	66,168,000
Sept. 1		43,614,000	73,723,000
Oct. 1		60,025,000	86,270,000
Nov. 1		71,878,000	92,221,000
Dec. 1		93,009,000	96,648,000

The situation of the United States and Canadian supplies on March 1, 1902, compares with preceding years as follows:

March 1.	East of Rockies.	Pacific coast.	Totals U.S. & Canada
1902	84,315,000	5,542,000	89,857,000
1901	80,704,000	6,972,000	87,676,000
1900	85,570,000	7,814,000	93,384,000
1899	51,085,000	5,104,000	56,189,000
1898	45,021,000	4,424,000	49,445,000
1897	61,648,000	1,857,000	63,505,000
1896	94,538,000	4,296,000	98,834,000
1895	98,745,000	11,801,000	110,546,000
1894	96,746,000	9,622,000	106,863,000
1893	105,223,000	5,470,000	110,693,000

Stocks east of the Rockies, it will be seen, decreased 4,500,000 bushels during the month, while those on the Pacific coast declined 1,000,000 bushels. Compared with a year ago present American stocks are found to be about 2,200,000 bushels larger, but they are about 3,400,000 bushels smaller than on March 1 two years ago. With this exception the stocks are the largest held on March 1 since 1896.

Up to the beginning of last week the imperial war office has expended in food and forage for the South African war through the Canadian department of agriculture, the sum of over $7,000,000.

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