

## WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

Matters are very quiet in monetary circles. Interest rates are firm at 7 to 8 per cent for commercial discounts. Mortgage loans are very firm, and the 8 per cent rate is held to very closely for everything in the nature of small loans. Even a large loan would be stiff at 7 per cent for city property. Mercantile collections are very slow.

## WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

The depression caused by the first frost scare has been replaced by a more hopeful feeling, as more reliable information has been received from country points. It is now felt that a good season is before the trade, as notwithstanding any damage which may have been done, there will still be a large crop of good grain left. It is generally conceded, that the cash value of the crop will be greater than in any other past year. Business in the meantime is quiet. The effect of the frost has not been apparent to any extent in wholesale trade, and no further cancellation of orders has been learned of, beyond the one or two mentioned last week.

## AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Binders twice has been the principal commodity in demand, and sales have been enormous. Farmers have found, owing to the very heavy crop, that their first purchases were insufficient, and they have been obliged to come back for more. Dealers have been rushing twine forward as fast as possible, and by a free use of the wires, have been able to keep the supply up to immediate requirements, so as to prevent any stoppage of work on account of shortage. A number of car lots have come in from the States, where the supply was large. Binders have been put to a severe test this year, on account of the very heavy straw. Binders are well sold out all around. It is learned that a few orders for binders have been cancelled, at Carberry and northwestern points, on account of frost.

## BOOTS AND SHOES.

Fall orders have been about all sent out, and the trade is now quieter.

## FISH.

Whitefish obtainable are mostly frozen fish, as owing to the refusal of the government to permit fishing in the northern end of the lake, it is difficult to bring fresh fish so far at this season. Whitefish are jobbing here at 6c per lb. Lake Superior trout, 9c., British Columbia salmon, 14c.

## FRUITS.

Dealers have had an active week. Lower prices than usual for this market have caused a big consumption, and it has been difficult to keep the market supplied, particularly with California and Oregon plums. Few Ontario plums have been offering yet. Quotations are: California fruits—Peaches, 20 pound boxes, \$1.35 to \$1.50; plums, 20 pound boxes, \$1.35 to \$1.50; pears, 40 pound boxes, \$2.50 to \$2.75; nectarines, \$1.25 per box; grapes, 20 lb boxes, \$2.50 to \$3.50, as to quality and variety. Ontario fruits quoted:—Pears, \$1; apples, 60c; crabs, \$1; tomatoes, 75 to 85c, all per 20 lb basket. Miscellaneous fruits:—Lemons, \$6 to \$6.50 box, bananas, \$3 to \$3.50 bunch; imported apples, \$4 to \$4.50 barrel; black grapes, 60 to 75c per 8 lb basket; water-melons, \$30 to \$35 per hundred; Minnesota tomatoes, \$2.25 to \$2.50 per bushel basket; blue-

berries, 6 to 7c lb. Oregon pears, 40 lb boxes, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Oregon plums, 20 lb boxes, \$1.35 to \$1.45.

## GROCERIES.

Prices here are:—Sugars, Yellow, 4½ to 5½c., granulated, 5½ to 5¾c. Coffee, green, Rio, from 24 to 25c; Java, 27 to 29c; Old Gov., 29 to 32c; Mochas, 33 to 35c. Teas—Japan, 23 to 40c; Congous, 22 to 60c; Indian teas, 35 to 60c; young hyson, 26 to 50c; T. & B. tobacco, 61c per pound; lilly, 7s. 57c; diamond solace, 12s, 53c; P. of W. butts, 52c; P. of W. caddies 52½c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 60c; Briar, 7s, 58c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 61c; Index thick Solace, 6s, 53c; Brunotto Solace, 12s, 53c. McAlpine Tobacco Co.'s plug tobacco; Old Crow, 51c, Woodcock, 57c; Beaver, 68c; Jubilee, 65; Anchor, 61c; cut tobacco: Silver Ash, 70c; Cut Cavendish, 75c; Senator, 85c; Standard Kentucky, light, 90c; do., dark, 85c. Special brands of cigars are quoted: Reliance, \$50; Gen. Arthur, \$50; Mikado, \$40; Terrior, \$30 per 1,000. Mauricia, \$42.50; Soudan Whips, \$10; Turkish Caps, \$35; Commercial Traveller \$25. Special selects, \$55; Selects, \$45; Columbia, \$45; Canucks, \$40; Derby \$36; Sports, \$30. Mixed pickles, in kegs, are quoted: Three gallons, \$2.25 to \$2.50; do., 5 gallons, \$3 to \$3.50; do., 10 gallon kegs, \$6 to \$6.50.

## PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.

Business quiet. Leads are firm at quotations. Linseed oils are offering very low in the east, there being considerable competition with English and United States product. There is no local made oil obtainable for some time, the mill being out of raw material. Prices: Turpentine, in barrels 72c per gallon; linseed oil, raw 73c; boiled, 76c; benzine and gasoline, 50c; oxide paints, in barrels, 90c per gallon; coal tar \$8 per barrel; Portland cement, \$4.75 per barrel. Michigan plaster, \$3.25 to \$3.50 a barrel; putty, in bladders, 3½c a pound, bulk, in bbls., 3c; whitening, in barrels, \$1.40 a cwt. White leads—Pure, Association guarantee, \$7; do., No. 1, \$6.50; do., No. 2, \$6; other brands of white leads, \$5 to \$5.50; calomine, in cases of 20 five-pound packages, \$6 per 100 pounds; Alabastine, \$7.25 per case of 20 packages. Window Glass, first break, \$2.

## WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKETS.

## WINNIPEG.

## WHEAT.

Wheat has had a quiet week, and prices are not materially changed from a week ago. Monday was the strongest day in United States markets, prices advancing about 4c at Chicago, over Saturday's close. The advance was caused by frost reports from Manitoba and the north-west States and Liverpool cables ½ to 3d higher. Export clearances from four ports were 632,000 bushels wheat (and flour). Large arrivals were reported from Minneapolis, where 826 cars were received, and Duluth had 187 cars. The Chicago visible supply statement on Monday showed an increase of 1,265,000 bushels, making the total 19,124,113 bushels, against 17,640,332 bushels a year ago. On Tuesday most markets were lower. Liverpool quoted ½ to 1d lower. United States markets declined 2 to 3c per bushel. Wheat on passage decreased 640,000 bushels. Duluth received 165 cars and Minneapolis 297 cars. Export clearances re-

ported were 848,000 bushels wheat and flour, from four ports. On Wednesday Liverpool quoted 1 to 2d lower, and London 3 to 6d lower, Paris 1½ to 3½c per bushel lower. Receipts at Minneapolis 403 cars, Duluth 103 cars. Export clearances 363,000 bushels, wheat and flour. On Thursday Liverpool again cabled dull and 1 to 3d lower. Improved weather was reported from England and Europe generally. Cables on Friday were irregular and from ½d. lower to ½d. higher. Some very bad weather reports came from Great Britain and Europe, which may effect the crop there considerably. The Vienna congress, which met during the week, estimated the European wheat crop at 1,073,000,000 bushels, against 1,278,300,000 bushels last year, and 1,220,520,000 bushels as an average crop for the previous five years. India and the United States are given 808,000,000 bushels against 634,000,000 bushels last year, and 695,000,000 bushels average for five years. The grand total is placed at 1,881,000,000 bushels this year, 1,912,300,000 bushels last year, and 1,915,520,000 average for five years. Total receipts at the four principal United States spring wheat points since Aug 1, the beginning of the crop year foot up. Minneapolis 3,092,259 bu.; Duluth, 1,114,832 bu.; Chicago, 8,960,905 bu.; Milwaukee, 675,299 bu. making a total of 13,753,296 bu. against 5,536,167 bu. during the same time last year and 6,790,546 bu. in 1889. The total receipts at the four principal winter wheat points, Toledo, St. Louis, Detroit and Kansas City from July 1 to date are 24,334,860 bu. against 11,012,811 bu. in 1880 and 10,739,109 bu. in 1889.

In Manitoba the first new wheat made its appearance during the week, but not in any quantity. The elevators are closed and buyers are not on the markets. The new wheat was simply a few farmers' loads offered at one or two country mills. Scarcely any threshing has been done yet, but considerable stacking, though in a number of the earlier districts, wheat cutting is just about finished. Some few sections reported cutting completed, while in some late districts probably not over half the crop is cut. Taking the country as a whole, the crop may now be considered as well in hand. A great many hand rubbed samples have been shown in the city, from all parts of the country, and are mostly good milling samples. A number show more or less trace of frost, but not sufficiently injured to grade as frosted. A few however, would grade frosted. The samples so far shown indicate that there will be a large crop of good milling wheat. A number of samples indicate that cutting was done on the green side.

## FLOUR.

Business has been quiet at steady prices. Local jobbing quotations in small lots are as follows, per 100 pounds: Patents, \$2.70; strong bakers', \$2.50; Second bakers, \$2.00 to \$2.20; XXXX, \$1.60; superfine \$1.30.

## MILLSTUFFS.

There has been rather a scarcity of bran and shorts, as the mills have not been running steadily. Prices same as a week ago. Quoted bran \$13, shorts \$15 per ton.

## MEALS, OIL CAKE, ETC.

Unchanged. Quotations are as follows: Oil cake, in bags \$21.00 a ton; oil cake meal in ton lots, sacked, \$26, in bulk \$25; Oatmeal, standard \$2.85; granulated, \$2.95 per 100 pounds; rolled oats, \$2.95 per sack of 80 pounds; cornmeal is held at \$1.95 to \$2 per 100 lbs. Pot bar-