

POULTRY.—No change in prices. Chickens 40 to 45c per pair; spring chickens, 85 to 40c per pair; turkeys 8 to 9c per lb. live weight. Ducks 10c dressed. Wild ducks 20 to 30c per pair.

DRESSED MEATS.—The price of fresh meats is quite demoralized, owing to constant cutting in prices by the smaller jobbing butchers. Even choice beef has been sold as low as 4c, though the general price has been 4½c per lb. Still a good deal is going at 4c. Mutton and lamb has sold as low as 5c, but 6 to 6½c has been the usual price, and some choice has sold at 7c. Hogs about 6c and veal 4 to 6c.

HIDES.—As we predicted last week, the price of hides has declined ½c to 7c for No. 1. Some were allowing 7½c for No. 1 steers and 7c for No. 1 cows, but the general tendency is to pay no more for steers than light hides. However, there are scarcely any steers offering. Later advices indicate that price were firmer again, after a temporary weakness, in leading markets. The Shoe and Leather Review of Chicago says: Hides are in shorter supply than for several years, and while there are momentary fluctuations in the different markets, caused by local buying and selling conditions, the situation at large and in the aggregate is one of firmness and strength. In the Winnipeg market there is complaint that hides bought in the country lately show heavy shrinkage in weight, owing to heavy salting and greenness. We quote: Hides, Winnipeg inspection green, 7c for No. 1 cows, 6 for No. 2, and 5c for No. 3; branded hides grade No. 2, when not otherwise damaged to reduce them to No. 3. We quote: Calf, 8 to 15 lbskins, 6 to 8c per lb. Deacons, 25 to 40c each. Kips 5 to 6c. Sheepskins, recent kill, 30 to 35c. Lambskins, 30 to 35c each. Tal-low, 1 to 5c rendered and 2 to 3c rough.

WOOL.—The firm situation of the wool markets is shown by the statement that wools bought at the last London sales have since been sold at an advance of 3c per lb. We quote 10 to 11½c as to quality for unwashed Manitoba fleeces.

SENEGA ROOT.—The full ranges is from 17 to 19c though some buyers refuse to go over 18c for anything, outside markets being very dull and overstocked. In fact, the general report is that the large markets are loaded with stock. Shipments of root from Manitoba have been very large this season, being the largest on record here, though last year was larger than any previous year. Shipments this year will run close to 260,000 pounds, but this includes quite a lot of old root which was held over from last year. It is said there is much less root being held this year than last. A lot of root was held over last year, and sold for lower prices than was offered last season.

HAY.—Loose hay on the street market is selling at \$1 to \$5 per ton. We quote new baled prairie at \$5 on track here. Offerings are light, as farmers are too busy to bring hay in, hence the higher prices.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE.—This has been quite a busy week at the yards here. Gordon & Ironsides have shipped 151 cars of cattle eastward since our last report, or in all 2,700 head. The run was on range cattle this week only about 500 being domestic cattle. There were no other shippers this week. John Wako will be down from the Manitoba Northwestern on Monday with a train load of 20 cars. Gordon & Ironsides have five trains of range cattle coming and they expect to handle about 10,000 head yet this season. Shipments of domestic cattle are pretty well cleared up, though there will be a few thousand head to move yet to go forward. Shipments to date run about 28,000 head. There is very little demand for cattle for the

local market, as butchers are buying in the country from farmers, and are paying 2 to 2½c, and only an occasional fine animal is taken at an advance on these prices.

HOGS.—Still scarcely any movement in hogs, as farmers have been too busy with their harvest to bother with handling stock. Local butchers have been going out to the country and paying \$1 to \$1.40 per 100 pounds for hogs. We quote 1 to 1½c off cars here.

SHEEP.—One shipment only was made this week, of about 1,000 head, from Medicine Hat, of range sheep, by Munroe & Rutherford. A couple of cars of lambs were taken by local butchers, at 3c off cars here, and we quote sheep at 2½ to 3c off cars here.

A feature at the Winnipeg stock yards this week as a train load of 600 young cattle from Ontario, which Mr. Fares brought in to take west to the ranges. The animals looked the making of good stock, but they are very thin.

At Toronto on Tuesday 1c was the highest price paid for export cattle. The run of export cattle is very poor, owing to scarcity of feed, caused by the summer drouth. Butchers' cattle are open to the same complaint. They ranged from 2c for poor up to 3½c for choice. Offerings of sheep and lambs were large, and a lot were not sold. Prices were 25c lower. Lambs sold at \$2.25 to \$2.50 each. Export sheep 3 to 3½c per lb. Hogs were 10 to 20c lower and offerings large, quality good. Finest bacon hogs sold at \$1.40; heavy at \$1 to \$1.15; stores and light \$3.90 to \$1.15; rough hogs \$1.90 to \$2 per 100 pounds.

At Chicago, on September 27, cattle were 10c lower, \$5.40 was about the top for choice beefs, with most sales at \$1.50 to \$5 for good to choice native cattle. Range cattle \$3.50 to \$4 for steers. Hogs sold mostly at \$3.90 to \$4.30 for packers. Good to prime native sheep sold at \$2.50 to \$3; range sheep at \$2.40 to \$3.25. Lambs \$3 to \$5.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 2 oats and No. 2 corn, per bushel. Pork is quoted per barrel and lard and short ribs per 100 pounds.

Wheat opened easy and lower, influenced by large northwestern receipts, lower cables and heavy exports from Russia, but advanced later on a smaller increase in the visible than had been looked for, and closed ½ to ¾ higher than Saturday. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat.....	57½	—	58½-¾	62½
Corn.....	31½	30½	27½	28½
Oats.....	18½	19½	—	20½
Pork.....	—	7 90	—	—
Lard.....	—	5 80	—	—
Short Ribs..	—	5 00	—	—

On Tuesday cables were higher, there was good foreign buying and speculation was more active. Prices made quite a sharp advance. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat.....	59½	—	59½	63½
Corn.....	31½	30½	28½	29½
Oats.....	19½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	—	7 97½	—	—
Lard.....	—	5 77½	—	—
Short Ribs..	—	5 05	—	—

On Wednesday the wheat market was irregular and nervous, with a considerable range in prices. Opening prices were higher, but the close was weak and ½ to ¾ lower. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat....	55	—	59½-¾	62½
Corn.....	31½	30½	28½	29½
Oats.....	19½	18½	—	20½-21
Mess Pork..	—	7 95	—	—
Lard.....	—	5 77½	—	—
Short Ribs..	—	5 07½	—	—

On Thursday wheat was stronger. There was little stir early in the day, but reports of drouth in the winter wheat regions and unfavorable crop reports from Argentine started a scare and prices advanced sharply. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat....	60	—	61½	64½
Corn.....	32½	31½	28½	29½
Oats.....	19½	18½	—	21½
Pork.....	—	8 12½	—	—
Lard.....	—	5 90	—	—
Short Ribs..	—	5 25	—	—

On Friday wheat ruled quiet most of the day, but took a sudden spurt near the close. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat.....	60½	—	61½	64½
Corn.....	31½	31½	27½	29½
Oats.....	19½	18½	—	20½-21
Mess Pork..	—	8 40	—	—
Lard.....	—	5 97½	—	—
Short Ribs..	—	5 37½	—	—

Wheat opened ½c higher on Saturday and had a strong upward movement closing at top prices. Closing prices were:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	May.
Wheat....	62	—	63	66½
Corn.....	32½	—	28½	29½
Oats.....	19½	—	—	21½-¾
Mess Pork..	8 35	—	—	—
Lard.....	—	—	—	—
Short Ribs..	—	—	—	—
Flax.....	98½	—	99	1 02½

A week ago Sept. wheat closed at 57½c.

A year ago Sept. wheat closed at 50½c.

Duluth Wheat Market.

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—Sept. 55½c, Dec. 56½c, May, 67½c.
Tuesday—Sept. 56½c, Dec. 57½c, May 61 c.
Wednesday—Sept. 55½c, Dec. 56½c, May 61c.
Thursday—Sept. 57½c, Dec. 58½c, May 62½c.
Friday—Sept. 57½c, Dec. 58½c, May 61½c.
Saturday—Sept. 59 c, Dec. 60c, May, 64½c.

A week ago to-day, (Saturday) prices closed at 51½c for September, and 56c for December. A year ago September wheat closed at 55½c, and two years ago at —c. No. 1 hard is quoted at about 2½c over No. 1 northern, No. 2 northern 2½ to 3c lower than No. 1 northern for cash wheat.

Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

The following shows the number of cars of wheat inspected at *Winnipeg for the weeks of ended on the dates named, compared with the number of cars inspected for the corresponding weeks a year ago, as reported by Inspector Horn to the Board of Trade:—

Grade.	Sept. 14	Aug. 17	Aug. 24	Sept. 7	Sept. 21.
Extra Manitoba	0	0	0	0	0
hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 hard.....	20	41	25	29	72
No. 2 hard.....	3	0	0	0	6
No. 3 hard.....	6	0	0	0	8
No. 1 Northern..	1	10	3	0	6
No. 2 Northern..	0	0	0	0	1
No. 3 Northern..	0	0	0	0	1
No. 1 white type	0	0	0	1	0
No. 2 white type	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Spring....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 feeded....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 2 feeded....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 rejected..	5	1	0	1	6
No. 2 rejected..	0	1	1	1	14
No Grade.....	2	0	0	1	12
Total.....	43	52	32	24	129
Same week last year.....	70	106	136	102	155

*Wheat inspected at Emerson going out via the Northern Pacific to Duluth, is included in Winnipeg returns. A considerable portion of the wheat moving is inspected at Fort William, and does not show in these figures.

The Indian Department for the Territories is calling for tenders for flour.