

position to sell was developed, and under the free offerings a pretty steady decline set in, but the offerings soon fell off, and with favorable advices of eastern and southern markets, and numerous bad crop reports, the feeling again became stronger and a firm advance was made. This again brought out free sellers, and a decline followed which rallied some, finally closing rather easy. Receipts to-day were 121 cars. In corn a fair degree of activity and considerable strength was shown. Oats were better and quite active. Pork a little unsettled, but on the whole rather stronger. Closing quotations were:—

	June.	July.
Wheat	\$0.87½	\$0.87½
Corn	46½	46
Oats	32½	32½
Pork	10.35	10.45
Lard	6.50	6.60

On Thursday the wheat market opened rather unsettled with prices though a trifle irregular, generally strong and at times buoyant. During the day this strength was maintained and a general rush to buy was noticed, some for investment and some to cover shorts, which caused quite a rapid advance, but on these orders being well filled an easier tone set in and a heavy fall was experienced. Later, on other home markets showing much strength and crop reports being again bad, the feeling of confidence became more general, and there was some heavy buying by strong local operators, which set the shorts to covering again, making another strong advance, which changed some, finally closing steady. Receipts were small. Corn was firm and higher, principally due to the strong and buoyant feeling in wheat. Oats active and stronger, and pork made some recovery, and showed considerable strength. Closing quotations were:—

	June.	July.
Wheat	\$0.87½	\$0.89
Corn	46½	46½
Oats	33½	33½
Pork	11.32½	11.40
Lard	6.55	6.60

On Friday the wheat market opened fairly active and generally strong. During the day there was some quite liberal selling and an irregular decline set in, but later on a recovery was made and the feeling again became strong, finally closing tolerably firm. Receipts were 121 cars. Corn was quiet and rather weak due to heavy receipts. Oats quiet and easier, and pork showed some strength though the trading was only moderate. Closing quotations were:

	June.	July.
Wheat	\$0.88½	\$0.90½
Corn	46½	45½
Oats	33½	33½
Pork	10.30	10.35
Lard	6.55	6.60

On Saturday the wheat market opened quite active and though a slight weakness was noticed during the day, the feeling continued to hold strong and steady and prices were tolerably firm all round. Closing quotations were as follows:

	June.	July.
Wheat	\$0.88½	\$0.90½
Corn	46½	45½
Oats	33½	35½
Pork	10.32½	10.37½
Lard	6.60	6.60

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

The market during the week has been subject to numerous fluctuations, and with most leading bank stocks has been in a downward direction. There have been exceptions, however, such as Dominion and Imperial which have held firm and advanced somewhat. The only heavy drop has been in Montreal, which reached its lowest point since the panicky days of last summer. Closing quotations of Wednesday, May 27, and June 3, which we subjoin, indicate the tone of the market.

	May 27.	June 3.
Montreal	194½xd.	189½
Ontario	106½	105
Molson's	—	—
Toronto	177½	176½
Merchants'	111	110½
Commerce	123	122
Imperial	122½	124
Federal	96½	96½
Dominion	185½	191
Standard	112½	113
Hamilton	118	118
Northwest Land	37½	38

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The grain market during the past week has been in a very inactive and depressed condition, and the difficulty of making a living from this source at present would seem to be great and rather precarious. There has been very little of anything offered, and nothing wanted unless at a fall, and but little at that. In wheat prices have continued to go down, and buyers have held aloof from purchases most persistently. The offerings, however, were not large and no great pressure to sell was made. Oats also suffered a fall, and were offered freely and bought at a considerable reduction. In barley there is still no business doing, none being offered and none wanted. In provisions the feeling seems to be much the same as in grain circles. Trading continues very quiet, and has a decided downward tendency. In butter no improvement is shown, but on the contrary matters seem to have been growing increasingly flat. There are no transactions heard of beyond the supplying of the local market, and even that has been very light. The new qualities are not very plentiful, and have been going off very slowly, while of old lots in store the supply appears to be accumulating, as there is no demand for them at any price. Meats generally have been very quiet and the business done has been small, and prices are much easier, though in some cases unchanged.

WHEAT.

Prices have made a further downward movement and buyers continue to hold back from purchasing. The offerings, however, have not been large nor were sales pressed to any extent. No. 2 fall was sold one day at 90c but was later offered freely at 88c and not taken, and at the close dropped to 87c. No. 2 spring was offered at 88c, with only a bid of 85c.

OATS.

Have also suffered a fall. During the week they were offered freely and sold cheaply. Cars on track at first brought 39c and later dropped down to 37½. White oats were worth 83c.

BARLEY.

Still nothing doing as there has been none offered and no demand. Prices have been nominal at following quotations: No. 2 65c; extra No. 3 60c, and No. 3 55c.

RYE.

There is nothing doing and prices are purely nominal.

PEAS.

The market has been inactive and prices were easier. Buyers seemed unwilling to pay over 67c for No. 2 and holders not being very much inclined to accept this figure, very little business was transacted.

POTATOES.

These have suffered a very heavy decline and car lots are reported to have been demoralized, with some said to have been sold at 15c on track, and were certainly offered freely at 25c.

EGGS.

Have shown little change and very little business was done. All offered were taken up before at 12c for round lots.

BUTTER.

There was nothing done beyond the supply of the local markets, and even that would seem to have been very quiet. Trading apparently has been growing increasingly flat. New dairy was offered very slowly and its quality was not very highly praised, the best received was sold from 12 to 13c. Rolls were not very plentiful and new, of good quality, sold much the same as roll at from 12 to 13c. Of old or inferior sorts of any kind there is no demand. No shipping lots of this class are reported and these continue to accumulate in store, for although offered at 7c none were taken. Altogether the prospect at present is rather a gloomy one.

CHEESE.

The condition of this market is much the same as before and very little business is being done. Neither new or old is very plentiful, while prices are for old steady at 11 to 11½, and new usually going at about 9½ for small lots.

PORK.

In this, few transactions have been made. Small lots have been selling quietly but steadily as before at \$15.50.

BACON.

In this market, business has been quiet and not much change is noticed. Long clear was rather weaker; car lots were offered at 7½ and had there been buyers would likely have gone for less, while tons and cases went off very slowly at 8c. Of Cumberland the supply is rather small, and appears to have been sold in small lots at 7½ and sales of newly cured at 8c are reported. Rolls were in good demand and steady at 9½ to 10c for small lots and 9½ for trade lots; bellies also sold off well at from 11 to 12c.

HAMS.

The demand has continued good and prices have been quite steady. Smoked sold at 11½ to 12c, but heavy weights in trade lots might be had at 11c, and green is unchanged at 10 to 10½, and rather quiet.

LARD.

No great rush of business done while prices were easier. Tinsels were sold at 9c and paid at 9½, but some of the latter are still held at 10c.

APPLES.

These have been very scarce and the few offered were readily taken at \$2 to \$2.75 per bushel for sound samples of good quality.

POULTRY.

Not much doing, but prices seem to be rather firmer. A few turkeys sold at \$1 to \$1.50 each and some spring chickens went off at from 60 to 80c, per pair.