

EASTERN MARKETS.

CHICAGO

Wheat opened strong on Monday, Aug. 6, on poor European crop reports. Later heavy selling caused a decline of 7 to 1c. The visible supply statement, showing an increase of 811,000 bushels of wheat, caused further weakness. September wheat opened at 85c, and the extreme range of prices was from 83½c to 85c. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat.....	84	84	83½	87
Corn.....	46	45½	45	—
Oats.....	25	24½	24½	—
Pork.....	14.25	14.30	14.30	—
Lard.....	8.92½	8.97½	8.92½	—
Short Ribs.....	8.37½	8.40	8.37½	—

Wheat prices ranged lower on Tuesday, notwithstanding unfavorable crop reports and cold weather in the Northwest. September wheat opened at 83½c, and ranged from 83½ to 84½c. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat.....	83½	83½	84½	86½
Corn.....	46½	45½	45	—
Oats.....	25	24½	24½	—
Pork.....	14.35	14.42½	14.37½	—
Lard.....	8.92½	8.95	8.90	—
Short Ribs.....	8.40	8.45	8.42½	—

Prices continued easy on Wednesday. The decline in domestic markets, with the firmer feeling in importing markets, has made an export movement possible. It was stated that 1,000,000 bushels of wheat were taken for shipment to-day. September wheat opened at 83½c, and the extreme range of prices was from 82½ to 83½c. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat.....	82½	83½	83½	85½
Corn.....	46½	45½	44½	—
Oats.....	25½	24½	24½	—
Pork.....	14.15	14.17½	14.15	—
Lard.....	8.82½	8.85	8.82½	—
Short Ribs.....	8.17½	8.17½	8.17½	—

European advices were unfavorable to high prices on Thursday, but cold in the northwest had the effect of advancing prices for a time. September wheat opened at 82½c, and ranged 82½ to 83½c. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat.....	82½	83½	83½	—
Corn.....	45½	45½	44½	—
Oats.....	25½	24½	24½	—
Pork.....	13.90	13.92½	13.87½	—
Lard.....	8.75	8.77½	8.75	—
Short Ribs.....	8.20	8.20	8.20	—

On Friday September wheat opened at 82½c, and ranged from 82½ to 83c. Closing prices were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat.....	82½	82½	83½	—
Corn.....	45½	45	44½	—
Oats.....	25½	24½	24½	—
Pork.....	13.55	13.55	13.55	—
Lard.....	8.65	8.67½	8.65	—
Short Ribs.....	7.97½	7.97½	7.97½	—

Closing prices on Saturday were:

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat.....	82½	82½	83½	84½
Corn.....	—	—	—	—
Oats.....	—	—	—	—
Pork.....	—	—	—	—
Lard.....	—	—	—	—

MINNEAPOLIS.

Closing quotations on Thursday for wheat were as follows:—

	Cash.	Sept.	On track
1 hard.....	82½	83½	80½-7
1 northern.....	83½	83½	85½-3
2 ".....	80½	80½	81½-32

Closing quotations for flour were: Patents, sacks, car lots, \$4.70; Patents to ship, sacks, car lots, \$4.30 to \$4.40; in barrels, \$4.50 to \$4.60; bakers, hero, \$3.30 to \$3.70; superfine, \$2.00 to \$3.00; red dog, sack, \$1.50 to \$1.60; red dog, barrel, \$1.65 to \$1.75.

The Northwestern Miller of August 10 will say of the crops: During the past week evidences of damage have been abundant, mainly the result of unfavorable weather, producing rust, blight and injury from numerous local storms. In the southeast of Minnesota, that entire section shows a practical failure. The remaining three-fourths of the state will yield a fair crop. The crop for the rest of this state and all of Dakota has been damaged from 10 to 30 per cent. This week's correspondence, estimates the yield at 10 bus. to 20 bus. in all the different localities, excepting the southeast corner of this state. Cutting is well along up to a line running west from this city, and some even north of it. In the north the crop is backward enough to be yet greatly affected for good or evil by the weather. The whole may equal in bushels the previous crop, or may fall considerably below it, to be determined by the weather between now and Aug. 20. The good quality of the last crop will not be equalled.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

Closing prices for No. 1 hard on each day of last week were:

	Cash.	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Monday.....	83½	82½	85½	86½
Tuesday.....	87½	84½	83½	85½
Wednesday.....	—	84½	84½	85½
Thursday.....	87	84½	84½	84½
Friday.....	86½	84½	84½	84½

Closing prices on Saturday were:—August, 86½c; Sept., 84½c; Oct., 84c; December, 84½c.

S FERLAND, sr., general merchant, Calgary, is dead. He has been one of the leading merchants of the place for some years.

ACCORDING to the United States Government crop report, issued on August 10th, spring wheat has fallen considerably. The chinch bug stands at the head of disasters, existing more or less in Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, and Nebraska, and in places doing serious damage. High temperature, excessive rains, blights, rusts, and the army worm are locally reported, without seriously reducing the general condition. Dakota stands highest with an average of 91, a loss of 7 per cent. Reported yields run from a few bushels to 40 per acre. The reduction of the percentage in Minnesota is from 95 to 85; in Wisconsin, from 91 to 83; in Iowa, from 97 to 84; in Nebraska, from 95 to 84. The general condition has been reduced from 95.9 to 87.3 during July.

A MONTREAL telegram on Friday says:—Sir John Lister Kayes' Northwest Colonization and Mining scheme is now reduced to working shape. Sir John is now on his way to the Northwest to supervise and commence work. He stated to a reporter that the stock had been taken up in London with remarkable readiness; £200,000 have already been subscribed, and a debit of £205,000 more has been taken up. One hundred men from the midland counties of England are on the way out as a first batch of hundreds of agricultural laborers who will subsequently be brought out. Horses, cows, sheep

and hogs have been purchased, and large numbers of stables, hoggeries, graineries, etc., are being built. "The scheme," Sir John said, "is now under way, and I leave at once to take charge. It will be managed under regulations which govern large English estates. Laborers will have comfortable houses, which are already in course of erection."

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